



Martin United Methodist Church
Service of Worship

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February 28, 2021

11:00 a.m.

Welcome

Rev. Lara Franklin

Prelude

Fairest Lord Jesus
Jieun Lee

R. E. Schram

Call to Worship

Caleb Bennetch

One: Jesus invites us to a way of celebration,
meeting and feasting with the humble and poor.

All: Let us walk his way with joy.

One: Jesus beckons us to a way of risk,
letting go of our security.

All: Let us walk his way with joy.

One: Jesus challenges us to listen to the voices
of those who have nothing to lose.

All: Let us walk his way with joy.

One: Jesus points us to a way of self-giving,
where power and status are overturned.

All: Let us walk his way with joy.

One: Jesus calls us to follow the way of the cross,
where despair is transformed
by the promise of new life.

All: Let us walk his way with joy.

— from the **Rex A.E. Hunt** website. <http://www.rexaehuntprogressive.com/>

Hymn

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

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1. All peo-ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheer-ful voice.
2. Know that the Lord is God in - deed; with-out our aid he did us make;
3. O en - ter then his gates with praise; approach with joy his courts un - to;
4. For why! the Lord our God is good; his mer - cy is for - ev - er sure;

Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell; come ye be - fore him and re - joice.
we are his folk, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
praise, laud, and bless his name al-ways, for it is seem-ly so to do.
his truth at all times firm - ly stood, and shall from age to age en - dure.

The musical score is written for two staves, treble and bass, in 2/2 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Affirmation of Faith

Caleb Bennetch

All: We believe.

One: Sometimes our belief is confident,
Like a child on a dance floor—
Unashamed and wildly genuine.

One: We believe.

**All: Sometimes our belief is distant,
Flickering and calling out to us
Like a lighthouse on the sea.**

All: We believe.

One: Sometimes our belief shows up as passion,
Guiding the way we vote, shop, give, live, trust, and hope.

One: We believe.

**All: Sometimes our belief is like a shadow—
Faith stitched to our heels, unmovable, unlovable,
A gift for winding journeys.**

All: We believe.

One: Sometimes our belief exists like growing pains.

We step forward. We fall back.

But again and again,

Jesus invites us to listen,

To grow, and to take another step.

All: So again and again,

We speak these truths out loud: We believe.

One: We believe.

All: Again and again, we believe.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

~ Written by Sarah Are | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org ~

Gloria Patri

Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the be-

gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A - men. A - men.

The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.*

Scripture Reading

Mark 8:31-9:8

Caleb Bennetch

Then Jesus began to teach his disciples: “The Human One must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, chief priests, and the legal experts, and be killed, and then, after three days, rise from the dead.” He said this plainly. But Peter took hold of Jesus and, scolding him, began to correct him. Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, then sternly corrected Peter: “Get behind me, Satan. You are not thinking God’s thoughts but human thoughts.”

After calling the crowd together with his disciples, Jesus said to them, “All who want to come after me must say no to themselves, take up their cross, and follow me. All who want to save their lives will lose them. But all who lose their lives because of me and because of the good news will save them. Why would people gain the whole world but lose their lives? What will people give in exchange for their lives? Whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this unfaithful and sinful generation, the Human One will be ashamed of that person when he comes in the Father’s glory with the holy angels.”

Jesus continued, “I assure you that some standing here won’t die before they see God’s kingdom arrive in power.”

Six days later Jesus took Peter, James, and John, and brought them to the top of a very high mountain where they were alone. He was transformed in front of them, and his clothes were amazingly bright, brighter than if they had been bleached white. Elijah and Moses appeared and were talking with Jesus. Peter reacted to all of this by saying to Jesus, “Rabbi, it’s good that we’re here. Let’s make three shrines—one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” He said this because he didn’t know how to respond, for the three of them were terrified.

Then a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice spoke from the cloud, “This is my Son, whom I dearly love. Listen to him!” Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus.

Sermon

Again & Again We Are Called to Listen Rev. Lara Franklin

Offertory Prayer

Rev. Lara Franklin

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Offertory

Violin Concerto in D Minor
Caleb Bennetch and Jieun Lee

J. B. Accolay

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise God, all crea-tures here be - low: Al-le -

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lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Je - sus Christ whose pow'r up -

10
lifts! Praise the Spir - it, Ho-ly Spir - it! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

Invitation

Rev. Lara Franklin

Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

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Ancient Irish

Trad. Irish Melody



1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2. Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
3. Great God of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

5



naught be all else to me, save that thou art.
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

9



Thou my best thought by day or by night,
thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

13



wak - ing or sleep - ing thy pres - ence my light.
great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Benediction

Rev. Lara Franklin

Postlude

Grand Chour
Rudimar Bonamigo

S. Wesley



Transfiguration

By Rev. Laurel Wright Pittman

Inspired by Mark 8:31-9:8

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