



UNLEASHING HEAVEN

THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS HERE



Martin United Methodist Church Service of Worship

bold, bold italic are spoken/sung in unison

TFWS: The Faith We Sing hymnal supplement

W&S: Worship and Song hymnal Supplement

All able are invited to stand for all portions marked with an asterisk (*)

February 19, 2023

8:30 AM

Prelude

Emma Wimberg

Welcome

Rev. Daniel Hawkins

***Call to Worship**

Caleb Bennetch

One: Beyond our busyness,
Above the cold winter floor
there is a glory rising born of heaven
and reaching out to each one of us

**ALL: a light that shines through the clouds
an invitation seeking all of who we are
that transfigures the world**

One: that transforms darkness into hope
that brings life from a cross
where old life ends and new life is born

**ALL: In glory Jesus meets us here
raising us from depths of valley
to the height of the mountain
carrying the weight of our humanity
to the heights of heavens glory.**

One: Let us worship from the mountain and hear again

ALL: “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!”

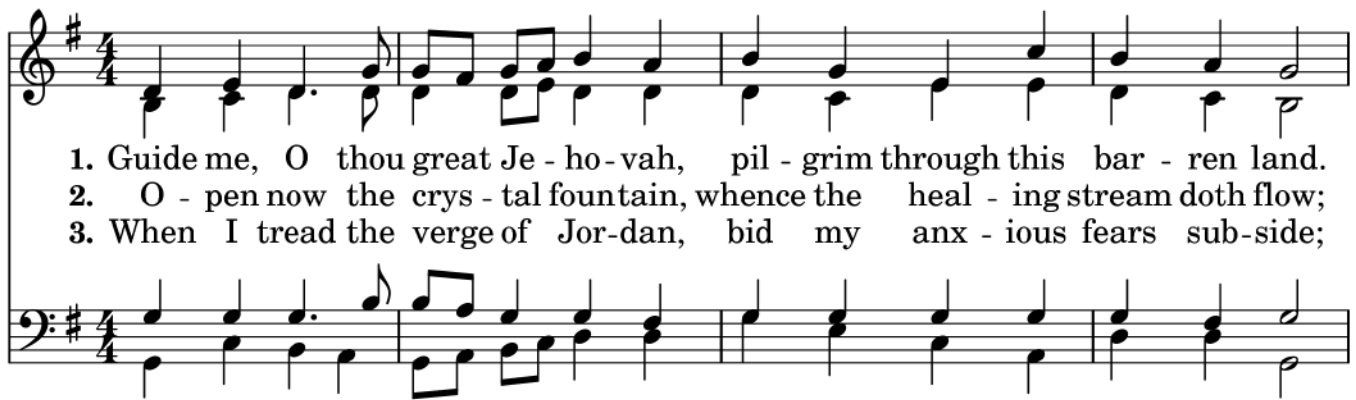
~ written by Rev. Rob Smith, Spirit of Life Presbyterian Church, Apple Valley, MN

***Opening Hymn**


Guide Me, O Though Great Jehovah

UMH 127

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah



1. Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this bar - ren land.
2. O - pen now the crys - tal fountain, whence the heal - ing stream doth flow;
3. When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious fears sub - side;



I am weak, but thou art might - y; hold me with thy power - ful hand.
let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me all my jour - ney through.
death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me safe on Ca - naan's side.



Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en, feed me till I want no
Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and
Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to



more; (want no more) feed me till I want no more.
shield; (strength and shield) be thou still my strength and shield.
thee; (give to thee) I will ev - er give to thee.

***Affirmation of Faith**

Rev. Faiana Prescott Funaki

ALL: **We are not alone, we live in God's world.**
We believe in God:
 who has created and is creating,
 who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
 to reconcile and make new,
 who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the Church:
 to celebrate God's presence,
 to live with respect in Creation,
 to love and serve others,
 to seek justice and resist evil,
 to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
 our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

***Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

***The Passing of the Peace**

Rev. Faiana Prescott Funaki

We invite you to share the peace of Christ with those that surround you.

Prayers of the People

Dr. Daniel Reeves

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.***

Offertory Prayer

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*Christ, transfigured on the mountain, Law and Prophet, Living Word,
by your glory we are humbled, by your presence we are stirred.
Christ, you are God's faithful servant, God's beloved Son so dear.
Guide us by this radiant vision: help us listen; help us hear.*

*Christ, you choose to suffer and to die, rejected, on the cross,
sharing in our sin and death, our struggles, and our pain and loss.
In your faithful, loving presence, even in our darkest nights,
we behold you, God's Beloved, shining with love's healing light.*

*Help us serve you, each transfigured by light shining from above.
Fill us with your Holy Spirit, radiant with the light of love.
In self-giving, help us share our neighbor's suffering through the night,
and be lamps for those who struggle, with compassion's gentle light.*

Words written by Steve Garnaas-Holmes and posted on his blog:
www.unfoldinglight.net

***Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here be - low: Al-le -

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

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

Scripture Reading

Luke 9:28-36

28 About eight days after Jesus said these things, he took Peter, John, and James, and went up on a mountain to pray. **29** As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed and his clothes flashed white like lightning. **30** Two men, Moses and Elijah, were talking with him. **31** They were clothed with heavenly splendor and spoke about Jesus' departure, which he would achieve in Jerusalem. **32** Peter and those with him were almost overcome by sleep, but they managed to stay awake and saw his glory as well as the two men with him.

33 As the two men were about to leave Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it's good that we're here. We should construct three shrines: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—but he didn't know what he was saying. **34** Peter was still speaking when a cloud overshadowed them. As they entered the cloud, they were overcome with awe.

35 Then a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, my chosen one. Listen to him!"

36 Even as the voice spoke, Jesus was found alone. They were speechless and at the time told no one what they had seen.

Sermon

*Ears Open and
Hearts Amazed*

Rev. Daniel Hawkins

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Rev. Faiana Prescott Funaki

*Our Communion table is open to all who seek to experience
the grace of God today. You are invited to come forward and
receive this gift of God's love for you today, as you are directed by the ushers.*

*Invitation

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1. Holy, ho-ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al-might - y! Ear - ly in the
2. Holy, ho-ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee, cast - ing down their
3. Holy, ho-ly, ho - ly! Though the dark-ness hide thee, though the eye of
4. Holy, ho-ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al-might - y! All thy works shall

morn - ing our song shall rise to thee. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!
gold - en crowns a-round the glass - y sea; cher-u-bim and ser-a-phem
sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see, on-ly thou art ho - ly;
praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!

Mer-ci - ful-and might-y, God in three per-sons, bless-ed Trin - i - ty!
fall-ing down be - fore thee, which wert, and art, and ev - er-more shalt be.
there is none be - side thee, per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.
Mer-ci - ful and might-y, God in three per-sons, bless-ed Trin - i - ty.

***Benediction**

Rev. Daniel Hawkins

Postlude

Dr. Jieun Lee



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