



PINEHURST

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

February 21, 2021

PRELUDE

“To God Be the Glory”
“Lamb of God”

Handbell Choir (9 am)
Darlene Skinner (11 am)

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord:

though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be white like snow;

People: though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

All: Let us worship the Lord!

OPENING HYMN

“Whiter Than Snow”

1. Lord Jesus, I long to be perfectly whole;
I want Thee forever to live in my soul.
Break down every idol, cast out every foe-

[Refrain]

Now wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.
Whiter than snow, yes, whiter than snow-
Now wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.

2. Lord Jesus, look down from Your throne in the skies
And help me to make a complete sacrifice.
I give up myself and whatever I know-

[Refrain]

3. Lord Jesus, for this I most humbly entreat;
I wait, blessed Lord, at Thy crucified feet.
By faith, for my cleansing I see Your blood flow-

[Refrain]

OPENING PRAYER

(in unison)

To fulfill the ancient promise of salvation, O God,
you made a covenant with our ancestors
and pledged them descendants more numerous than the stars.
Grant that all people may share in the blessings of your covenant,
accomplished through the death and resurrection of your Son
and sealed by the gift of your Spirit.
Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalms 128

¹Happy is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks in his ways.

²You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands; you shall be happy, and it shall go well with you.

³Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your children will be like olive shoots around your table.

⁴Thus shall the man be blessed who fears the LORD.

⁵The LORD bless you from Zion. May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.

⁶May you see your children's children. Peace be upon Israel!

RESPONSE

Leader: This is the word of God for us, the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”
“Holy Manna”

Handbell Choir (9 am)
Worship Choir (11 am)

OFFERING

Out of gratitude for all God has given us, we respond by giving back to God's world around us. Donate locally to offer your talents toward building up our community, and also consider giving financially by mailing a check to the church or donating online at pinehurstumc.org.

LESSON FOR THE CHILDREN

(9 am)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 13:31-32

The Kingdom of Heaven is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field; which indeed is smaller than all seeds but when it is grown, it is greater than the herbs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in its branches.

SERMON

“Kingdom Parables: The Mustard Seed”

Pastor Katie

FINAL SONG

“Great Are You, Lord”
(by Jason Ingram)

Connections Praise Band

You give life, You are love
You bring light to the darkness
You give hope, You restore
Every heart that is broken
And great are You, Lord

It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise
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[repeat]
And all the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing
Great are You, Lord
[repeat 2x]

It's Your breath in our lungs
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It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only
[repeat]

CLOSING PRAYER

Seed-planting, fish-netting, bread-baking, pearl-hunting God,
you shape us into living parables.
Pray with your Spirit in us
so that we may understand our experiences
as healing metaphors,
and become creative and abundant stewards
of the environment you entrusted to our love. Amen.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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