



PINEHURST

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

January 24, 2021

PRELUDE

“Supplication by George Blake”
“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

Darlene Skinner (9 am)
(11 am)

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: For God alone our souls wait in silence, for our hope is from him.

People: **He alone is our rock and our salvation, our fortress;
We shall not be shaken.**

All: **Let us worship the Lord!**

OPENING SONG

“Joy (In My Heart, Forever)”

Connections Praise Band

Your love it came to me
You took my place and set me free
While I was dead in sin
You took me in

What love and grace is this?
Our lives made new because of his
A living sacrifice
We come alive we come alive

[Refrain}
Joy in my heart forever
Joy in my heart forever
Join in the song of heaven
Christ is our joy forever
Joy in my heart forever
Joy in my heart forever
Join in the song of heaven
Christ be our joy forever

What love and grace is this?
Our lives made new because of his
A living sacrifice
We come alive we come alive

[Refrain]

Lord we thank you for the cross
Lord we thank you that you gave your life for us
Let our lives declare your love
Let all we are declare your love

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[Refrain]

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OPENING PRAYER

(in unison)

**God of the prophets,
you call us from evil to serve you.
Fulfill in us your commonwealth of justice and joy,
that the light of your presence
may be revealed to all nations,
to the glory of Jesus' name.
Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 11:1, 17-26

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha... When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

SPECIAL MUSIC

"I Give You My Heart"

Connections Praise Band

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.

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.

When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

SERMON

"A Year Without Fear: Fear of the End"

Pastor David

CLOSING HYMN

"Hymn of Promise"

1. In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.
2. There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.
3. In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

CLOSING PRAYER

O God,
you spoke your word
and revealed your good news in Jesus, the Christ.
Fill all creation with that word again,
so that by proclaiming your joyful promises to all nations
and singing of your glorious hope to all peoples,
we may become one living body,
your incarnate presence on the earth. Amen.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Postlude by Baronchelli”

Darlene Skinner