

JUNE 7 SERVICE

Title: Reclaiming Mission

Text: Matthew 28:16-20

Opening Hymn – CH #422 “We Are Walking”

Song of Reflection CH #455 “You Have Called Me”

Communion Song CH#430, “Lo, I am with You”

I. Prelude (Josh)

II. Welcome (Jesse)

III. Opening Hymn – CH #422 “We Are Walking”

We are walking in the light of God

We are walking in the light of God

We are walking in the light of God

We are walking in the light of God

We are walking, walking, walking oh

We are walking in the light of God

We are walking, walking, walking oh

We are walking in the light of God

Caminando en la luz de Dios,

Caminando en la luz de Dios

Caminando en la luz de Dios,

Caminando en la luz de Dios

Caminando vamos, Caminando vamos

Caminando en la luz de Dios

IV. Call to Worship –

Sisters and brothers – Arise!
Lift your hearts,
Lift your eyes,
Lift your voices.

The living God,
the living, moving Spirit of God
has called us together –
In witness
In celebration
In struggle.

Reach out toward each other.
Our God reaches out toward us.
Let us worship God!

V. Laughing Bird Psalm 8

Our LORD and ruler,
.....all over the world
.....the mere mention of your name sets hearts pounding!

Your glory fills the universe!

The gurgling of babies makes more sense
.....than the clever arguments of your enemies.
The innocent chatter of children
.....silences the venomous talk of your opponents.

When I gaze at your handiwork in the night skies
.....— the moon, the stars, the milky way —
.....the whole cosmos under your control;
I can't help but wonder why you bother with us.

.....Why do you care so much for mere human beings
.....when we count for so little in the scheme of things?

And yet, for reasons known to you alone,
.....you created us almost on a par with yourself
.....and decorated us with the highest honours and glory.

You have even entrusted us with power over your precious creation;
.....you placed the future of all life in our hands:
.....sheep and cattle;
.....emu and kangaroo
.....insects, reptiles, birds, and sea creatures;
.....air, land and water and the planet itself.

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VII. Matthew 28:16-20 NRSV

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, ‘All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.’

VIII. Message “Reclaiming Mission” (Jesse)

IX. Song of Reflection CH #455 “You Have Called Me”

You have called me from my hiding place and given me a name
From this moment on my life can never be the same

I have seen the beckoning vision, though I wanted to remain,
Here I am, send me, here I am.

Who will go into the darkness where my people live in fear?
Who will speak of truth and charity so all of them can hear?
If you go where I am sending you, I always will be near.
Here I am, send me, here I am.

X. Moment for Mission (“Holy Spirit” Jen Kinney and John Miller)

XI. Prayers of the People (Mary)

XII. Communion Song CH#430, “Lo, I am with You”

Lo, I am with you to the end of the world.
Lo, I am with you to the end of the world.
Lo, I am with you,
Lo, I am with you,
Lo, I am with you to the end of the world.

Lo, I am with you in the breaking of bread
Lo, I am with you in the breaking of bread
Lo, I am with you,
Lo, I am with you,
Lo, I am with you in the breaking of bread

Lo, I am with you in the drinking of wine
Lo, I am with you in the drinking of wine
Lo, I am with you,
Lo, I am with you,
Lo, I am with you in the drinking of wine.

XIII. Institution of Communion (Elders Margaret Maxwell (W) and Barbara Meade (P))

XIV. Blessing/Benediction (Jesse)

XV. Postlude (Josh)

XVI. “Fellowship Time” in breakout rooms.