



Southminster Presbyterian Church

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Celebration of Worship

January 14, 2024

11 a.m.

Thought For Meditation

*His [John the Baptist's] mission was to prepare the way for Jesus,
and he realized that he wasn't the living water for anyone's parched soul.
Neither is the church, the small group, or one's parent, pastor, mentor, or spiritual director.
Craig Barnes*

Prelude

*O Come, O Come Emmanuel
Prelude on Two American Folk Hymns
Barbara Hois, Flute*

PLAINSONG, MODE 1
CHARLES CALLAHAN

Ringing of the Hour

Welcome

Fred Barnes

* Call to Worship

Philippians 2:8-12

Leader: Christ humbled himself and became obedient to death on the cross.

People: Therefore, God exalted him and gave him the name above every name,

Leader: So that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,

People: And every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,

All: To the glory of God the Father.

* Hymn of Praise #142

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

CORONATION

All hail the power of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all!
Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, Ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all!
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe, On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all!
To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all!
We'll join the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all!

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession *(In Unison)*

Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you.

You call, but we have not listened.

We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns.

We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed.

God of grace, help us to admit our sin, so that as you come to us in mercy we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer...

(Moment of Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

* Glory to God #579

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.

Announcements

Doug Marshall

Hymn

Jesus Loves Me

ROYAL OAK

Jesus loves me! This I know, as He loved so long ago,

Taking children on His knee, saying, "Let them come to Me."

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Time With the Young Church

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Lesson

John 1:29-39

p. 862

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"What Are You Looking For"

*** Hymn of Response #370**

Just as I Am, Without One Plea

WOODWORTH

Just as I am, without one plea But that Thy blood was shed for me,
And that Thou bidst me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

Just as I am, though tossed about With many a conflict, many a doubt,
Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

Just as I am, Thou wilt receive, Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because Thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

Just as I am, Thy love unknown Has broken every barrier down;
Now, to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer *(In Unison)*

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Praise The Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him
Chancel Choir

CHARLES BEAUDROT

*** Praise to God #591**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*** Prayer of Dedication**

*** Hymn of Dedication #339**

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art--
Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, Great God of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

*** Charge & Benediction**

*** Postlude**

Improvisation on We Shall Overcome

ARR. CARL HAYWOOD

*** If you are able, please stand.**

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Thank you for sharing Worship with us this morning.

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