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"Hearts Renewed"

9:30AM ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE

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Marriottsville, MD

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Welcome and Preparation

Debra Bostron, CLS

Prelude "Create in Me a Clean Heart" (arr. by Mark Hayes)

Offered by Clarice Snyder, piano

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Threshold "Make Us Holy, Make Us Whole" (see insert)

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Opening Prayer Josh Michael

Glorious God, write your name on our hearts.
Inspire us with your law of love, that we might proclaim this truth:
You are our God, and we are your people.
In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

Prayer of Confession

Josh Michael

When we forget your name, written on our hearts...

Have mercy on us, loving God.

When we forget your law of love, engraved in our lives...

Have mercy on us, loving God.

When we neglect your Spirit, living in and through each of us...

Have mercy on us, loving God.

When we ignore your beauty, brightening and glorifying our lives...

Have mercy on us, loving God.

Shine in us and through us, God of light and love, that we may remember this truth:

You are our God, and we are your people - a people of mercy and love.

In this silence, we sense and acknowledge our yearning for wholeness.

Assurance and Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ is with you

All: And also with you.

Opening Hymn "Come, Let Us Use the Grace Divine" UMH 606

Verse 1 Verse 2

Come let us use the grace divine
And all with one accord
In a perpetual covenant join
Ourselves to Christ the Lord

The covenant we this moment make

Be ever kept in mind

We will no more our God forsake Or cast these words behind Give up ourselves through Jesu's power His name to glorify And promise in this sacred hour For God to live and die We never will throw off the fear Of God who hears our vow And if thou art well pleased to hear Come down and meet us now

Verse 3

Thee Father Son and Holy Ghost
Let all our hearts receive
Present with thy celestial host
The peaceful answer give
To each covenant the blood apply
Which takes our sins away
And register our names on high
And keep us to that day

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Children's Moment Edie Candee

Scripture Psalm 51:1-12 Josh Michael

51 Have mercy on me, God, according to your faithful love!
Wipe away my wrongdoings according to your great compassion!

² Wash me completely clean of my guilt;

purify me from my sin!

³ Because I know my wrongdoings,

my sin is always right in front of me.

⁴ I've sinned against you—you alone.

I've committed evil in your sight.

That's why you are justified when you render your verdict,

completely correct when you issue your judgment.

⁵ Yos I was born in quilt in sin

Yes, I was born in guilt, in sin, from the moment my mother conceived me.
 And yes, you want truth in the most hidden places; you teach me wisdom in the most secret space.

Purify me with hyssop and I will be clean; wash me and I will be whiter than snow.
 Let me hear joy and celebration again; let the bones you crushed rejoice once more.
 Hide your face from my sins; wipe away all my guilty deeds!
 Create a clean heart for me, God; put a new, faithful spirit deep inside me!
 Please don't throw me out of your presence; please don't take your holy spirit away from me.

¹² Return the joy of your salvation to me and sustain me with a willing spirit.

Scripture Jeremiah 31: 31-34 Josh Michael

³¹ The time is coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and Judah. ³² It won't be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant with me even though I was their husband, declares the LORD. ³³ No, this is the covenant that I will make with the people of Israel after that time, declares the LORD. I will put my Instructions within them and engrave them on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. ³⁴ They will no longer need to teach each other to say, "Know the LORD!" because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD; for I will forgive their wrongdoing and never again remember their sins.

Hymn of Preparation

"O For a Heart to Praise my God" (vs. 1, 3, 4 & 5)

UMH 417

Verse 1

O for a heart to praise my God A heart from sin set free A heart that always feels Thy blood So freely shed for me

Verse 4

A heart in every thought renewed And full of love divine Perfect and right and pure and good A copy Lord of Thine

Verse 3

A humble lowly contrite heart
Believing true and clean
Which neither life nor death can part
From Christ who dwells within

Verse 5

Thy nature gracious Lord impart Come quickly from above Write Thy new name upon my heart Thy new best name of love

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Message "Hearts Renewed" Debra Bostron, CLS

Choral Call to Prayer

"O Lord, Hear My Prayer"
O Lord, hear my prayer O Lord, hear my prayer
When I call answer me
O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer
Come and listen to me

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Prayers for God's People, the Church and the World

Josh Michael

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The Lord's Prayer

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Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH 95

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

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Ritual Action

Closing Hymn

"Standing on the Promises"

UMH 374

Verse 1 Chorus

Standing on the promises of Christ my King Through eternal ages let His praises ring Glory in the highest I will shout and sing Standing on the promises of God Standing standing
Standing on the promises of God my Savior
Standing standing
I'm standing on the promises of God

Verse 2

Standing on the promises that cannot fail
When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail
By the living Word of God I shall prevail
Standing on the promises of God
Chorus

Verse 3

Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord Bound to him eternally by love's strong cord Overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword Standing on the promises of God **Chorus**

Verse 4

Standing on the promises I cannot fall
Listening every moment to the Spirit's call
Resting in my Savior as my All in All
Standing on the promises of God
Chorus

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Benediction

Postlude

"Change My Heart, O God" (Eddie Espinosa, arr. by Mark Hayes) Offered by Clarice Snyder, piano

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