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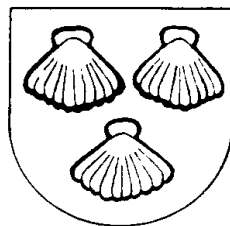


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“Lesson 1: Do No Harm”

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Saint James United Methodist Church

Marriottsville, MD

Opening Hymn

“Bring Forth the Kingdom of God”

TFWS 2190

1. You are salt for the earth, O people:
Salt for the Kingdom of God!
Share the flavor of life, O people:
Life in the Kingdom of God!

Refrain

Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy
Bring forth the Kingdom of peace
Bring forth the Kingdom of justice
Bring forth the City of God

2. You are a light on the hill, O people:
Light for the City of God!
Shine so holy and bright, O people:
Shine for the Kingdom of God!

Refrain

3. You are a seed of the Word, O people
Bring forth the Kingdom of God
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice
Grow in the Kingdom of God

Refrain

4. We are a blest and a pilgrim people
Bound for the Kingdom of God
Love our journey and love our homeland
Love is the Kingdom of God

Refrain

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Children’s Moment

Rev. Patricia Abell

Scripture

Proverbs 3:29-30 (CEB)

Edie Candee

29 Don't plan to harm your neighbor who trusts and lives near you. 30 Don't accuse anyone without reason, when they haven't harmed you.

Scripture

Galatians 5:1, 13–25 (CEB)

¹ Christ has set us free for freedom. Therefore, stand firm and don't submit to the bondage of slavery again.

¹³ You were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only don't let this freedom be an opportunity to indulge your selfish impulses, but serve each other through love. ¹⁴ All the Law has been fulfilled in a single statement: *Love your neighbor as yourself.*^[a] ¹⁵ But if you bite and devour each other, be careful that you don't get eaten up by each other!

¹⁶ I say be guided by the Spirit and you won't carry out your selfish desires. ¹⁷ A person's selfish desires are set against the Spirit, and the Spirit is set against one's selfish desires. They are opposed to each other, so you shouldn't do whatever you want to do. ¹⁸ But if you are being led by the Spirit, you aren't under the Law. ¹⁹ The actions that are produced by selfish motives are obvious, since they include sexual immorality, moral corruption, doing whatever feels good, ²⁰ idolatry, drug use and casting spells, hate, fighting, obsession, losing your temper, competitive opposition, conflict, selfishness, group rivalry, ²¹ jealousy, drunkenness, partying, and other things like that. I warn you as I have already warned you, that those who do these kinds of things won't inherit God's kingdom.

²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against things like this. ²⁴ Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the self with its passions and its desires.

²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let's follow the Spirit.

Hymn "The Rule of Life" **W & S 3117**

Do all the good you can,
by all the means you can,
in all the ways you can,
in all the places you can,
at all the times you can,
to all the people you can,
as long as ever you can.

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Message "Lesson 1: Do No Harm" **Rev. Patricia Abell**

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

Share your prayer requests at pastor.saintjames@verizon.net or stjamessec@verizon.net or write requests on prayer slips provided and place in the Giving Box.

We pray now for all the world, the church, people of faith, and those who live in want, saying:
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord's Prayer

Doxology "Praise God for This Holy Ground" (see insert) **W & S 3009**

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Offering Prayer

Closing Hymn "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" **TFWS 2153**

1. I'm gonna live so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna live so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

3. I'm gonna pray so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna pray so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

2. I'm gonna work so God can use me
Anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna live so God can use me
Anywhere, Lord, anytime!

4. I'm gonna sing so God can use me
Anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna pray so God can use me
Anywhere, Lord, anytime!

The Faith We Sing Number 2153
Text: African American Spiritual

Music: African American Spiritual; arr. by Wendell Whalum
Tune: I'M GONNA LIVE, **Meter:** Irr.

Benediction

Postlude

“Variations on "Foundation" arr. by Joseph M. Martin *Offered by Clarice Snyder*

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Questions for Reflection

Think of the many ways in which people are “chained” and how the word of God speaks differently to those prisons.

What specific constraint is in your own life for which you might pray that the Holy Spirit show you a path toward freedom?

Household Prayer: Morning

Gracious and loving God, we give you thanks for protection through the night and for your presence throughout the day. Clothe us with mercy toward those we meet. Render us the courage and calm we need to face the tasks of the present and to prepare for the challenges to come. Guard us this day so that we learn to give thanks at all times. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Almighty and gracious God, we give you thanks for this day of work and play, for study and chores, for time with our family and friends, and for time to be alone. Bring us now to the peace of mind that lets us rest in you. Refresh us with your care so that we may rise in the morning with joy. Amen.

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