# SJUMC Online Worship Guide

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February 19, 2023

9:30 am "Super Sunday"

# **ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE**

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# **Saint James United Methodist Church**

Marriottsville, MD

#### WE GATHER

Prelude

"Christ, Be Our Light" arr. Sally Drennan Mossing

Offered by Clarice Snyder

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Welcome Rev. Patricia Abell

Introit "We Walk By Faith" TFWS 2196

- 1. We walk by faith, and not by sight; no gracious words we hear of him who spoke as none e'er spoke, but we believe him near.
- 3. Help then, O Lord, our unbelief, and may our faith abound; to call on you when you are near, and seek where you are found:

- We may not touch his hand and side nor follow where he trod; yet in his promise we rejoice, And cry, "My Lord and God".
- 4. That when our life of faith is done in realms of clearer light we may behold you as you are in full and endless sight.

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Call to Worship Barbara Cook

ONE: With loving hearts and open minds, we come into God's presence.

With God's open heart and glorious presence, God welcomes us with love. So, Listen,

ALL: For God is still speaking.

Let us Look,

for God is still present.

Let us Worship.

for God is in our midst.

Opening Prayer Barbara Cook

God of glory, grace us with your presence. Overwhelm us with your love. Guide us with your wisdom and fill us with your Holy Spirit, as we worship and praise you this day. Amen.

Call to Confession Barbara Cook

ONE: Let us confess our sins, for the Holy One delights in blessing those who seek to walk with God.

Prayer of Confession Barbara Cook

Gracious God, we have seen your light and glory:

in the work of your church, in the faces of loved ones, and in the life of Jesus Christ.

Yet our memories are short, and we soon start complaining that you feel far away. Forgive us when we descend from life's mountaintops only to quickly forget how you have loved us. Pardon us for the times we have neglected to seek you in the faces of lonely or suffering neighbors. Open our eyes and our ears, Lord. Teach us to seek you and to listen as you call. Amen.

## **Declaration of Forgiveness**

Barbara Cook

The light of God's grace shines upon us and through us. Knowing us completely, God accepts and loves us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

Passing the Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you! And also with you!

Opening Hymn

"I Stand Amazed in the Presence" (vs. 1, 2 & 4)

**UMH 371** 

1. I stand amazed in the presence

Of Jesus the Nazarene

And wonder how He could love me

A sinner condemned unclean

Refrain

How marvelous! How Wonderful!

And my song shall ever be

How marvelous! How wonderful!

Is my Savior's love for me

2. For me it was in the garden He prayed not My will but Thine He had no tears for His own griefs But sweat drops of blood for mine

Chorus

4. He took my sins and my sorrows

He made them His very own He bore the burden to Calvary And suffered and died alone

Chorus

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**Time for Children** 

Rev. Patricia Abell

**Scripture** 

**Matthew 17:1-9 (CEB)** 

Barbara Cook

Six days later Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and brought them to the top of a very high mountain. <sup>2</sup> He was transformed in front of them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as light.

<sup>3</sup> Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Jesus. <sup>4</sup> Peter reacted to all of this by saying to Jesus, "Lord, it's good that we're here. If you want, I'll make three shrines: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

<sup>5</sup> While he was still speaking, look, a bright cloud overshadowed them. A voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son whom I dearly love. I am very pleased with him. Listen to him!" <sup>6</sup> Hearing this, the disciples fell on their faces, filled with awe.

<sup>7</sup>But Jesus came and touched them. "Get up," he said. "Don't be afraid." <sup>8</sup>When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus.

<sup>9</sup> As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Don't tell anybody about the vision until the Human One<sup>[a]</sup> is raised from the dead."

**Anthem** 

"Jesus, the Light of the World"

Chancel Choir

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### Response to the Word (Exodus 24, Matthew 17)

ONE: Do not enshrine these words on a mountaintop.

ALL: We will live them on every hill and every valley of our lives.

Get up. Don't be afraid.

Christ leads the way on a path lit by God's glory and love.

# Prayer for God's People, Church, & World

Barbara Cook

Lord's Prayer

\*Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

**UMH 94** 

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God All creatures here below
Alleluia alleluia
Praise God the source of all our gifts
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts
Praise the Spirit Holy Spirit
Alleluia alleluia

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#### **Offering Prayer**

\*Closing Hymn

"Woke Up This Morning" (vs. 1, 2, 4 & 5)

**TFWS 2082** 

- 1. Oh I woke up this morning with my mind And it was stayed stayed on Jesus Woke up this morning with my mind And it was stayed stayed on Jesus Woke up this morning with my mind And it was stayed stayed on Jesus Hallelu hallelu hallelu hallelu Hallelu hallelu Hallelujah
- 4. Oh the devil can't catch you in your mind If you keep it stayed stayed on Jesus The devil can't catch you in your mind If you keep it stayed stayed on Jesus The devil can't catch you in your mind If you keep it stayed stayed on Jesus Hallelu hallelu hallelu hallelu Hallelujah
- 2. Oh you can't hate your neighbor in your mind If you keep it stayed stayed on Jesus Oh you can't hate your neighbor in your mind If you keep it stayed stayed on Jesus Oh you can't hate your neighbor in your mind If you keep it stayed stayed on Jesus Hallelu hallelu hallelu hallelu Hallelu hallelu Hallelujah
- 5. Oh yes Jesus is the captain in your mind When you keep it stayed stayed on Jesus Oh yes Jesus is the captain in your mind When you keep it stayed stayed on Jesus Oh yes Jesus is the captain in your mind When you keep it stayed stayed on Jesus Hallelu hallelu hallelu hallelu Hallelujah

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#### \*Benediction

**Postlude** 

"Agincourt Hymn" (O Vision Fair) John Dunstable

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#### **Questions for Reflection**

Why does Jesus instruct the disciples to keep quiet about what they had seen "until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead" (Matt. 17:9)?

### Household Prayer: Morning

God, as this new day dawns, may your Spirit guide my feet and reveal you to me in new ways as I walk through your world today. Amen.

### Household Prayer: Evening

Holy One, thank you for the gift of this day. Whatever has happened, whatever I've done and left undone, help me hear the voice of Jesus tonight, telling me to go to sleep as I am and not be afraid. Amen.

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