

SJUMC Online Worship Guide

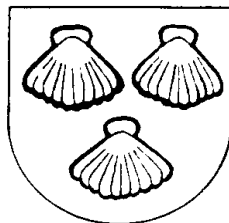
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May 5, 2024
9:30 am
“Liberated”

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🔑 **Gathering At the Gate** 🔑

Prelude "Go Down, Moses" arr. Calvin Taylor **Offered by Clarice Snyder**

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Welcome **Rev. Patricia Abell**

The Collective Story of Resurrection **Barbara Cook**
A Dramatic Reading – based on John 21:9-19

Leader: Jesus reminded the disciples that we all will need help at times in our lives.
Then, Jesus said, "Follow me."

All: We open our hearts and hands and resources to make better the circumstances of all people for living and thriving.

Leader: This is a Word of Hope for the people who long for it.
All: Thanks be to the Living Word.

***Opening Hymn** "A Place at the Table" **W & S 3149**

1. For everyone born, a place at the table,
for everyone born, clean water and bread,
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
for everyone born, a star overhead.

Refrain
And God will delight when we are
creators of justice and joy
Yes, God will delight when we are
Creators of justice, justice and joy!

2. For woman and man, a place at the table,
revising the roles, deciding the share,
with wisdom and grace, dividing the power,
for woman and man, a system that's fair.

3. For young and for old, a place at the table,
A voice to be heard, a part in the song,
The hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled,
For young and for old, the right to belong.

4. For just and unjust, a place at the table,
Abuser, abused, with need to forgive,
In anger, in hurt, a mindset of mercy,
For just and unjust, a new way to live

5. For everyone born, a place at the table,
To live without fear, and simply to be,
To work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
For everyone born, the right to be free.

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The Key to Peace **Barbara Cook**

In the name of Jesus Christ, you can know liberation.
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✠ **Proclaiming Liberty** ✠

"Halle, Halle"
Halle, halle, halle-luya!
Halle, halle, halle-luya!
Halle, halle, halle-luya!
Halle-luya, halle-luya!

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Children's Time

New Life Happens

Edie Candee

Scripture

Psalm 146

Barbara Cook

Scripture

Exodus 3: 1-15

Barbara Cook

Hymn

"Together We Serve"

TFWS 2175

1. Together we serve united by love
Inviting God's world to the glorious feast
We work and we pray through sorrow and joy
Extending Your love to the last and the least

2. We seek to become a beacon of hope
A lamp for the heart and a light for the feet
We learn year by year to let love shine through
Until we see Christ in each person we meet

3. We welcome the scarred the wealthy the poor
The busy the lonely and all who need care
We offer a home to those who will come
Our hands quick to help our hearts ready to dare

4. Together by grace we witness and work
Remembering Jesus in whom we grow strong
Together we serve in Spirit and truth
Remembering love is the strength of our song

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Message

"Liberated"

Rev. Patricia Abell

✠ **Responding to Liberation** ✠

Prayer for God's People, Church, & World

Barbara Cook

Offering

***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 alleluia

Offering Prayer

The Great Thanksgiving and Holy Communion

Lord's Prayer

🗝️ **Unlocking Liberty** 🗝️

*Closing Hymn

"We Shall Overcome"

UMH 533

1. We shall overcome, we shall overcome,
we shall overcome someday!
Oh, deep in my heart I do believe
we shall overcome someday!
2. We'll walk hand in hand.
3. We shall all be free.
4. We shall live in peace.
5. The Lord will see us through.

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Benediction

Rev. Patricia Abell

"I Love to Tell the Story"
**The Savior of our stories has brought his peace to you;
now go and tell the story, for others need it too.
To ev'ry one who's hurting ring out the gospel call;
proclaim that Christ is risen and grants his peace to all.**

**I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.**

Postlude

"I Love to Tell the Story" arr. Clarence Kohlmann

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Questions for Reflection

In our Gospel lesson this week, Jesus speaks of his extreme love for us, calls us his friends, and says that he makes known to us everything that he hears from God. How does thinking of Christ as our friend and lover—or Lord and Master—affect our daily living?

Household Prayer: Morning

Holy One, I begin today breathing in your love for me, for others, and for the world.
Keep me mindful of all the marvelous things you are doing around and within me today.
Help me to feel my friendship with Jesus and his confidence in me.
Maintain in my heart the image of myself as a tree,
bearing the fruit of Christ's love everywhere I go today. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

God, you are both judge and friend.
Even as I review my day, I give it over to you.
I let go of the good, the bad, and the in-between, trusting in your care for me.
I am content this night to abide in your love.
I breathe in your joy and your peace.
Whatever I need, I ask of you in Jesus' name. Amen.

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