

SJUMC Online Worship Guide

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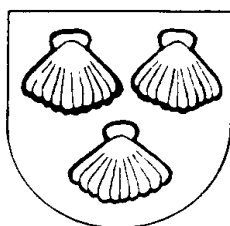
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9:30 am

Setting the Table

ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE

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Gathering

Prelude

"Come, Thou Fount" arr. by Joseph M. Martin (BMI)

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Welcome

Rev. Patricia Abell

Gathering Song

"Gather Us In"

TFWS 2236

1. Here in this place new light is streaming
Now is the darkness vanished away
See in this space our fears and our dreamings
Brought here to you in the light of this day
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken
Gather us in, the blind and the lame
Call to us now and we shall awaken
We shall arise at the sound of our name

2. We are the young our lives are a mystery
We are the old who yearn for your face
We have been sung throughout all of history
Called to be light to the whole human race
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty
Gather us in, the proud and the strong
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly
Give us the courage to enter the song

3. Here we will take the wine and the water
Here we will take the bread of new birth
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters
Call us anew to be salt for the earth
Give us to drink the wine of compassion
Give us to eat the bread that is you
Nourish us well and teach us to fashion
Lives that are holy and hearts that are true

4. Not in the dark of buildings confining
Not in some heaven light years away
But here in this place the new light is shining
Now is the kingdom, now is the day
Gather us in and hold us forever
Gather us in and make us your own
Gather us in, all peoples together
Fire of love in our flesh and our bones

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Call to Worship

Nancy Janson

Destruction and violence are everywhere; strife and contention are all around

The needs of the world are so great; O Lord, increase our faith.

The law is slack, and justice does not prevail.

The needs of the world are so great; O Lord, increase our faith.

How many threats surround us; warfare, homelessness, loneliness, loss.

The needs of the world are so great, but you, O God, are greater still –

the One in whom all things are possible. O Lord, increase our faith in you!

Prayer of the Day

Nancy Janson

**For the gift of faith which sees beyond the present moment and looks to an eternity,
we thank you.**

**For the gift of faith small as a mustard seed, which has power within its simplicity,
we thank you.**

**For the gift of faith bestowed on those who would simply come, hearts open in humility,
we thank you. Amen**

***Opening Hymn**

"Take My Life, and Let It Be"

UMH 399

1. Take my life and let it be
Consecrated Lord to Thee
Take my moments and my days
Let them flow in ceaseless praise
Take my hands and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love
Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee

2. Take my voice and let me sing
Always only for my King
Take my lips and let them be
Filled with messages from thee
Take my silver and my gold
Not a mite would I withhold
Take my intellect and use
Every power as thou shalt choose

3. Take my will and make it Thine
It shall be no longer mine
Take my heart it is Thine own
It shall be Thy royal throne
Take my love my Lord I pour
At Thy feet its treasure store
Take myself and I will be
Ever only all for Thee

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Passing of the Peace

Nancy Janson

Proclaiming

Children's Message

Donna Benson

Scripture

**Luke 17: 5-10 (NRSVue)
John 14: 2 (NRSVue)**

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Word in Music

"Alleluia/Praise to the Lord"

Chancel Choir

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Message

"Setting the Table"

Rev. Patricia Abell

Responding

Pastoral Prayer

***Doxology**

**"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"
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.**

UMH 95

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Offering Prayer

Holy Communion

Going Forth

*Closing Hymn

"Standing on the Promises"

UMH 374

1. 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

Refrain

Standing standing
Standing on the promises of God my Savior
Standing standing
I'm Standing on the promises of God

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

Refrain

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

Refrain

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

Refrain

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Benediction

Rev. Patricia Abell

Postlude

"Praise Him, Praise Him" Chester G. Allen arr. by Greg Howlett

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Questions for Reflection

In Luke 17:5–10, the disciples ask Jesus to increase their faith. By asking this, they acknowledge that faith does not grow by our own works and hard efforts but is a gift from God's grace. How has the gift of faith in your own life changed over time?

Was there a particular time when your faith weakened?

Can you recall a time when the strength of your faith helped you endure?

God often uses special people in our lives to help us grow in faith and understanding.

Who has helped you grow in faith??

Household Prayer: Morning

Silent sunrise sanctuary—
a dome of shelter for the birth of day.
Birds and bugs begin—
an opposite of lullaby proclaiming life anew.
We wake in wonder—
discerning between dream and daylight a mystery ends, another begins.
Sunshine scatters shadows—
a heathery view melting gray morning mist.
Never ceasing, never ending—
God's mercies new each morning. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Dusk to dark to full moon brightness
blue night sky
speckling of stars and planets
white lights forever patterned
read and known but you knew them first
and through them allowed yourself to become known
Thank You, Praise You, and Goodnight. Amen.

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