Fruitland and Payette United Methodist Churches

August 30, 2020

Note: All vocal music is covered by CCLI License #1552544.

Prelude: “Change My Heart, Oh God” (guitar) Albert Gyorfi

Welcome and Announcements

 Our speaker today is Danny Crego from the Payette UMC

 Our liturgist is Holly Hutchinson from The Fruitland UMC

 UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) is currently involved with 3 major disasters:
 \*recovery after the Derecho storm in Iowa
 \*assistance with refugees from wildfires in California
 \*providing basic needs for people in Louisiana and Texas

 whose homes have been destroyed by Hurricane Laura.
 If you would like to support these United Methodist disaster teams and be part of the

 UMCOR mission, contributions can be made online at [www.umcor.org](http://www.umcor.org/)
 Or you can contribute by sending a check, as you would your regular offering,

 but mark it on the notation line UMCOR Advance #901670.

Welcoming the Light of Christ

Interlude: “Sweet Hour of Prayer”, Craig Dobbins, guitar

Ringing the Church Bell

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**CALLING SONG** “Amazing Grace” #378 in the UM Hymnal

 Lyrics by John Newton; music “New Britian” arranged by Edwin Excel

Amazing Grace!

How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.

I once was lost, but now am found.

Was blind, but now I see.

T’was grace that taught my heart to fear

And grace my fears relieved.

How precious did that grace appear

The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares

I have already come.

 T’is grace has brought me safe thus far

And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me

His word my hope secures.

He will my shield and portion be

As long as life endures.

And when this flesh and heart shall fail,

And mortal life shall cease,

I shall possess within the veil

A life of joy and peace.

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,

The sun forbear to shine.

But God who called me here below

Will be forever mine.

When we’ve been there ten thousand years

Bright shining as the sun.

We’ve no less days to sing God’s praise

Than when we first begun.

**RESPONSIVE READING** Selections from Psalm 105

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, call on God’s name,

 Make known God’s deeds among the peoples!

**People: Sing to the Lord, sing praises!**

 **Tell of all God’s wonderful works**!

Leader: Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice

**People: Seek the Lord, his strength, and his presence continually**

Leader: Remember the wonderful works God has done.

**All: They who wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength.**

**UNISON INVOCATION**

**We praise you with joy, O loving god, for your grace is better than life itself. You are sustaining us through the darkness, and you bless us with life in this new day. In the shadow of your endless love, we sing for joy and bless your holy name.**

**HYMN** “What a Friend We have in Jesus” UMH 526

What a friend we have in Jesus

All our sins and griefs to bear.

What a privilege to carry

Everything to God in prayer.

O what peace we often forfeit
O what needless pain we bear

All because do not carry

Everything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations?

Is there trouble anywhere?

We should never be discouraged,

Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Can we find a friend so faithful

Who will all our sorrows share?

Jesus knows our every weakness,

Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden

Cumbered with a load if care?

Precious Savior, still our refuge

Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?

Take it to the Lord in prayer

In his arms he’ll take and shield thee

Thou wilt find a solace there.

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

Scripture Matthew 16;13-28 NRSV

**MESSAGE** “God’s Grace Abounds by Love” Danny Crego

**COMMITMENT HYMN** “How Great Thou Art” # 77UMH

 Sung by Lauren Daigle

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder

Consider all the worlds thy hands have made,

I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder

Thy power throughout the universe displayed

And when I think of God his son not sparing

Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in:

That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,

He bled and died to take away my sin.

 (*refrain)*

 Then sings my soul, my Savior, God to thee

 How great thou art, how great thou art.

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 How great thou art, how great thou art.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation

And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!

Then I shall bow in humble adoration,

And there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!

 *(refrain)*

**BENEDICTION given by Danny Crego**

**COMMUNITY REPONSE**

 **May the peace of the LORD Jesus go with you**

 **wherever he may send you.**

 **May he guide you through the wilderness,**

 **protect you through the storm.**

 **May he bring you home rejoicing**

 **at the wonders he has shown you.**

 **May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.**

Postlude: “Love Lifted Me” Alan Jackson