

## **Collenbrook United Church WORSHIP**

April 26, 2020 Third Sunday of Easter

**WELCOME SONG – *He Has Made Me Glad (sing 2x)***

***Leona Von Brethorst***

I will enter his gates with thanksgiving in my heart; I will enter His courts with praise.  
I will say, "This is the day that the Lord has made!" I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

### **CHORUS:**

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### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Sing praises to God, you faithful, give thanks to God's holy name.

***All: Weeping may linger for a night, but joy comes in the morning.***

Leader: You, O God, turn our weeping into dancing; you remove the garments of mourning and clothe us in gladness.

***All: May we praise you and not be silent! We will give thanks to you, O God, forever. Amen.***

### **HYMN - "Listen to Your Savior Call"**

1. Listen to your savior call, "Do you love me most of all?" Jesus speaks, and speaks to you:  
"Love me as I first loved you."
2. "I delivered you when bound, and, when bleeding, healed your wound. Sought you wandering, set you right, for your pathway gave you light."
3. "Mine is an unchanging love, higher than the heights above, Deeper than the depths beneath, free and faithful, strong as death."
4. O my Savior, hear my need: though my love is faint indeed, Still I love you and adore, O, for grace to love you more!"

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **PRAYER**

***We gather in our own spaces, yet as one people. We come seeking to be people of resurrection. Be known among us, wherever we are. Grant us the assurance of your presence, your love, your renewing power. Through your Word and Spirit, show us the purpose of our lives both personally and as a community of faith. Amen.***

## **CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE**

God of presence, God of promise, we are reminded that as we are created in your image, we fall way short of being like you. We are continually challenged by the teachings of Jesus to live as people of faith, sharing your love with all the world. In this time of separation, we somehow find it hard to figure out what you would have us do, and how you would have us be. Forgive our short-sightedness. Forgive our inaction. Forgive our stagnation. Open us to more faithfully live the call to which you have called us... to love as you have loved and feed your people.

(silence for reflection)

God loves us and frees us from all that we do to turn away from the transformative power of belief. God hears our cries and questions. God promises to remain in covenant. In the name of the risen one, Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

**MUSIC/SCRIPTURE** “Resurrection Song” John 21:1-17 Written and sung by Rob Leverdige

“You made of a tomb, a gateway to life... and from a weapon, you made a cross into a healing device. Now, in spite of my greed, my weakness and vice... make me a vessel of your redemptive and mysterious light.”

**MESSAGE** “What Does Love Look Like?” The Rev. Melanie Lawrence-Caldwell

## **A LITTLE SOMETHING ABOUT GIVING ON WEBSITE OR MAIL**

Prayer of dedication: God, bless our gifts... that they may be shared in the spirit of a resurrection people, ever seeking ways to live out our faith in acts of love and service. Amen.

## **JOYS AND CONCERNS/PASTORAL PRAYER**

### **LORD’S PRAYER**

### **CLOSING SONG – “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”**

1. Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need your tender care; in your pleasant pastures feed us, for our use your folds prepare. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us, yours we are; Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us, yours we are.
2. We are yours, in love befriend us, be the guardian of our way; keep your flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray. Blessed Jesus. Blessed Jesus, hear your children when we pray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear your children when we pray.
3. Let us always seek your favor; let us always do your will; Jesus Christ our only Savior, with your love our spirits fill. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still.

**BENEDICTION** Pastor: The Rev. Melanie Lawrence-Caldwell

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