



September 20, 2020

CARPORT CHURCH

Pastor Craig

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

PASSING OF PEACE, OUTPOURING OF THE WATER & SPIRIT

PRELUDE

How Great Thou Art

S. Hine/Arr. C. Vivona

Christine Vivona – harp

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Gospel of Matthew 20:1-16

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Jesus said, "For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early to hire day-laborers. After agreeing on the usual daily wage, he sent them out into his vineyard. When he went out 3 hours later, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and said 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you what is right.' So also at noon and 3 hours later. An hour before sunset, he found others standing around, and sent them into the vineyard as well. When evening came, he called those hired last to be paid first, and each received a denarius. When the first saw this, they thought they would receive more; but each also received one denarius. Those hired first grumbled that they had worked in the sun all day and the landowner had made others their equal. The landowner said 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Take what belongs to you and go. I am choosing to give to the last the same as I gave you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first and the first will be last."

Refrain:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

1. The strife is o'er, the battle done;
the victory of life is won;
the song of triumph has begun:
Alleluia!
2. The powers of death have done their worst;
but Christ their legions hath dispersed:
let shouts of holy joy outburst.
Alleluia!
3. The three sad days are quickly sped;
Christ rises glorious from the dead:
all glory to our risen Head!
Alleluia!
4. Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee,
from death's dread sting thy servants free,
that we may live, and sing to thee:
Alleluia!

Refrain:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

CALL TO PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

LORD, God Almighty, we have been frustrated. We have been angry at a microscopic virus, angry at nations and governments, angry at economies and racial inequality built over 500 years, and angry at you. How can we be held accountable for the sins of the world? Why is suffering and death indiscriminate? We want to be rewarded for our good deeds, and have punishment for the wicked. Injustice makes us anxious, as if not knowing the rules, uncertain of our every step. In the dark we reach for the wall and feel a lion, we take a step back and we stumble. Dear God, it is enough for us to rise each morning, love our families, have a fulfilling day, and try to be kind to others. So God, we will be human, and we ask you to be God for us. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GLORIA PATRI

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen, Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHILDRENS TIME

ANTHEM

Almost Persuaded

P.P. Bliss/Arr. M. Hayes

SCRIPTURE READING

Jonah 3:10-4:5

10 When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened.

Jonah's Anger at the Lord's Compassion

4 But to Jonah this seemed very wrong, and he became angry. 2 He prayed to the Lord, "Isn't this what I said, Lord, when I was still at home? That is what I tried to forestall by fleeing to Tarshish. I knew that you are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abounding in love, a God who relents from sending calamity. 3 Now, Lord, take away my life, for it is better for me to die than to live." 4 But the Lord replied, "Is it right for you to be angry?" 5 Jonah had gone out and sat down at a place east of the city. There he made himself a shelter, sat in its shade and waited to see what would happen to the city.

SERMON

Angry Enough

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

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I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the

right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN

Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

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Come, you faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness!
God has brought forth Israel into joy from sadness;
loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters;
led them with unmoistened foot through the Red Sea waters.

'Tis the spring of souls today: Christ has burst his prison,
and from three days' sleep in death as a sun has risen.
All the winter of our sins, long and dark, is flying
from the Light, to whom we give laud and praise undying.

Now the queen of seasons, bright with the day of splendor,
with the royal feast of feasts, comes its joy to render;
comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection
welcomes in unwearied strains Jesus' resurrection!

Neither could the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark portal,
nor the watchers, nor the seal hold you as a mortal:
but today, among your own, you appear, bestowing your deep peace,
which evermore passes human knowing.

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY Themes from *An American in Paris* and *Rhapsody in Blue*

G. Gershwin/Arr. E. Fell

Christine Vivona - harp

DOXOLOGY

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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

THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING HYMN

Now the Green Blade Rises

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Now the green blade rises from the buried grain,
wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
love lives again, that with the dead has been;
love is come again like wheat arising green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
your touch can call us back to life again;
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:
love is come again like wheat arising green.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

**Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.
Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.
With God our Creator, children all are we.
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.
Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.
With ev'ry breath I take, let this be my solemn vow.
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.**

POSTLUDE

Liebster Jesu, Wir Sind Hier

J.S. Bach

(Blessed Jesus, We Are Here)

Arr. V. Fox

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**Flowers given by: Jim & Debbie Williams (McDougall)
Bringing in Flowers from our
Wedding on September 19, 2020**

VPC Financial - Attendance / On-Line Viewing Metrics			
Monthly Giving Support Contributions		Weekly Attendance / Viewing	
August-2020		Through Week # 37 (9/13/20)	
Monthly Giving Support	\$ 50,091	Weekly Attendance Sanctuary	0
Monthly Giving Budget	\$ 44,043	* YTD 2020 Attendance Sanctuary	5272
*YTD Giving Support	\$ 460,151	** Weekly Viewing On-Line	180
*YTD Giving Budget	\$ 489,532	** YTD 2020 Viewing On-Line	6568
		* YTD 2020 Attendance / On-Line	11840
		* YTD 2019 Attendance	11844
<p>* YTD = Year to Date ** Number of on-line devices tuned into Sunday service</p> <p>D. Brooks - VPC treasurer - dxb38@cox.net - 520-399-3959 2020 Per Capita is \$46.00 per member</p>			