Good Morning Church!

NORTH BEND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, July 5th, 2020

Because God is worthy we worship *indicates to stand, if able

GATHERING AND WELCOME

Prelude

Announcements

COME BEFORE THE LORD

*Call to Worship¹

Leader: Come to Christ, that living stone, rejected by the world, but in God's sight chosen and precious.

People: We have responded to Christ's call, and seek to be built into a spiritual house, a living reminder of God's presence on earth.

Leader: Once we were no people, but now we are God's people, called out of the darkness into God's marvelous light. Therefore we sing with the Church in all ages:

People: Blessed be your name, O God, our Redeemer. By your mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. *Singing Battle Hymn of the Republic UMH #717 (v. 1) 1. Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord; he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored; he hath loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword; his truth is marching on.

Refrain

Glory, glory, hallelujah! Glory, glory, hallelujah! Glory, glory, hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

PRAY UNTO THE LORD

*Praying Together²

Almighty God, you rule all the peoples of the earth. Inspire the minds of all women and men to whom you have committed the responsibility of government and leadership in the nations of the world. Give to them the vision of truth and justice, that by their counsel all nations and peoples may work together. Give to the people of our country zeal for justice and strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will. Forgive our shortcomings as a nation; purify our hearts to see and love the truth. We pray all these things through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Joys & Concerns Silent & Pastoral Prayer 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass 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

HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

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Reading the Scripture		Acts 7: 44-53NIV
7:44	"Our ancestors had the tabernacle of the covenant law with	
	them in the wilderness. It had been made as	God directed
	Moses, according to the pattern he had seen.	

- 45 After receiving the tabernacle, our ancestors under Joshua brought it with them when they took the land from the nations God drove out before them. It remained in the land until the time of David,
- 46 who enjoyed God's favor and asked that he might provide a dwelling place for the God of Jacob.
- 47 But it was Solomon who built a house for him.
- 48 "However, the Most High does not live in houses made by human hands. As the prophet says:
- 49 "'Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool. What kind of house will you build for me? says the Lord. Or where will my resting place be?
- 50 Has not my hand made all these things?'
- 51 "You stiff-necked people! Your hearts and ears are still uncircumcised. You are just like your ancestors: You always resist the Holy Spirit!
- 52 Was there ever a prophet your ancestors did not persecute? They even killed those who predicted the coming of the Righteous One. And now you have betrayed and murdered him—
- 53 you who have received the law that was given through angels but have not obeyed it."

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God. ALL: Thanks be to God.

Proclaiming the Gospel *"Rise Up Church and Shake Things Up"*

RESPOND IN THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD

***Singing** *Jesus Is the Answer* Brown #73 (v. 1)

 If you have some questions in the corners of your mind, Traces of discouragement and peace you cannot find.
 Reflections of your past seem to face you ev'ry day, But this one thing I do know, Jesus is the way.
 Refrain
 Jesus is the answer for the world today,
 Above Him there's no other, Jesus is the way.
 Jesus is the answer for the world today.

Above Him there's no other, Jesus is the way.

GO IN THE GRACE OF THE LORD

*Receiving the Blessing

Postlude

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