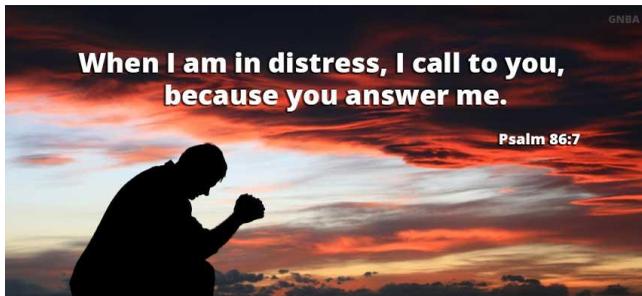


Worship Celebration: March 11, 2018

EPWORTH: a United Methodist Church

9:15 a.m. (CONTEMPORARY)

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent (Year B)



From Psalms to Palms: Living Faith is our sermon series during Lent, preparing us for our journey of faith as we follow Jesus into Jerusalem, Sunday, March 25, sit at the table with Jesus at the Last Supper, March 29, and follow him to the cross, March 30. All of this culminates in our celebration of Easter on Sunday, April 1. Living Faith requires of us

acknowledgement of our sin, exploration of faith through the Bible and responding to God's goodness in our lives with gratitude. Today we turn to God in prayer – because often in prayer that's when God reveals the divine will for our lives. Today's sermon, Revealed in Prayer, helps us think about and practice prayer in our lives, and specifically how to listen for God's will in our hearts and souls. We are blessed by your presence this day – welcome to Epworth!

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☩ WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY ☩

Praise Gathering

LET EVERYTHING THAT HAS BREATH

*Let ev'rything that, ev'rything that, ev'rything that has breath praise the Lord.*

*Let ev'rything that, ev'rything that, ev'rything that has breath praise the Lord.*

Praise You in the mornin', praise You in the evenin',

Praise You when I'm young and when I'm old.

Praise You when I'm laughin', praise You when I'm grievin', praise You ev'ry season of the soul.

If we could see how much you're worth, Your pow'r, Your might, Your endless love,

Then surely we would never cease to praise. {Refrain}

Praise You in the heavens, joining with the angels, praising You forever and a day.

Praise You on the earth now, joining with creation, calling all the nations to Your praise.

If they could see how much You're worth, Your pow'r, Your might, Your endless love,

Then surely they would never cease to praise. (refrain 3X)<sup>1</sup>

## Greeting, Sharing the Mission & Ministry of Epworth

Glenn

### \*Passing the Peace

### \*Singing in Praise

GREATER

Bring your tired and bring your shame, bring your guilt and bring your pain.  
Don't you know that's not your name?  
You will always be much more to me.  
And every day I wrestle with the voices that keep telling me I'm not right,  
but that's all right.

*'Cause I hear a voice, and He calls me redeemed when others say I'll never be enough.  
And greater is the One living inside of me than he who is living in the world.  
In the world, in the world.  
And greater is the One living inside of me than he who is living in the world.*

Bring your doubts and bring your fears, bring your hurt and bring your tears.  
There'll be no condemnation here;  
you are holy, righteous and redeemed.  
And every time I fall there'll be those who will call me a mistake.  
Well, that's okay. {Refrain}

-Instrumental-

*(Bridge) There'll be days I lose the battle, Grace says that it doesn't matter  
'cause the cross already won the war.  
I am learning to run freely, understanding just how He sees me,  
and it makes me love Him more and more. (repeat) {Refrain} (bridge)  
(Tag) God is greater than he who is living in the world. <sup>2</sup>*

### Children's Celebration

Mickie McManamon

### ✠ WE PREPARE FOR THE WORD ✠

MIGHTY TO SAVE

Everyone needs compassion, love that's never failing. Let mercy fall on me  
Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Savior. The hope of nations.

*Savior, He can move the mountains.  
My God is mighty to save. He is mighty to save  
Forever, Author of salvation.  
He rose and conquered the grave. Jesus conquered the grave.*

So take me as You find me, all my fears and failures. Fill my life again  
I give my life to follow, everything I believe in. Now I surrender. (refrain 2x)

☞ We Engage the Word ☛

Lesson

Psalm 86

Herb Russell

Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.  
Preserve my life, for I am devoted to you; save your servant who trusts in you.  
You are my God; be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all day long.  
Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.  
For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.  
Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer, listen to my cry of supplication.  
In the day of my trouble I call on you, for you will answer me.  
There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.  
All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify  
your name.  
For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.  
Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart to  
revere your name.  
I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify your name  
forever.  
For great is your steadfast love toward me; you have delivered my soul from the depths of  
Sheol.  
O God, the insolent rise up against me; a band of ruffians seeks my life, and they do not set  
you before them.  
But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast  
love and faithfulness.  
Turn to me and be gracious to me; give your strength to your servant; save the child of your  
serving girl.  
Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame,  
because you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

Brothers and Sisters,

This is the Word of God for the People of God.

§Thanks be to God

*MIGHTY TO SAVE (CONT)*

Bridge: Shine your light, and let the whole world see.

We're singing for the glory of the risen King.

Jesus, shine your light, and let the whole world see.

We're singing for the glory of the risen King. (*refrain 2x*) (*bridge*)(*refrain 2x*)

(Tag) Shine your light, and let the whole world see.

We're singing for the glory of the risen King. Jesus. (6x) <sup>3</sup>

Sermon

*Psalms to Palms: Revealed in Prayer*

Rev. Vicky Starnes

☞ WE RESPOND TO THE WORD ☛

Song of Response

Eye of the Storm

When the solid ground is falling out from underneath my feet,  
Between the black skies and my red eyes, I can barely see.  
And when I'm feeling like I've been let down by my friends and my family,  
I can hear the rain reminding me:

*In the eye of the storm, You remain in control.  
In the middle of the war, You guard my soul.  
You alone are the anchor when my sails are torn.  
Your love surrounds me in the eye of the storm.*

When my hopes and dreams are far from me and I'm running out of faith,  
I see the future I picture slowly fade away.  
And when the tears of pain and heartache are pouring down my face,  
I can find my peace in Jesus' name. *(Refrain - Instrumental)*

When they let me go and I just don't know how I'm gonna make ends meet,  
I did my best; now I'm scared to death that we might lose ev'rything.  
And when a sickness takes my child away and there's nothing I can do,  
My only hope is to trust You.  
I trust You, Lord.

*In the eye of the storm, you remain in control.  
In the middle of the war, you guard my soul.  
You alone are the anchor when my sails are torn.  
Your love surrounds me... {Refrain} <sup>4</sup>*

Joys & Concerns

**(Mics Go Out Today)**

**Glenn**

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895

§ 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.

Invitation to Offering ~ Please sign the blue Connections Pad and pass it down the row.

**Glenn**

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Bless your heart for supporting our ministries!*

DAY BY DAY

Day by day, Day by day, Oh, dear Lord, three things I pray:  
To see Thee more clearly, Love Thee more dearly,  
Follow Thee more nearly, Day by day. *(Repeat 4X)*

LAST VERSE:

Day by day, Day by day, Oh, dear Lord, three things I pray:  
To see Thee more clearly, love Thee more dearly, *(Repeat line 3x)*  
Follow Thee more nearly, Day by day. Day by day by day by day. <sup>5</sup>

☞ We Are Sent into the World ☛

\*Benediction

Vicky

\*Sending Song

THE RIVER

I know a place, where we can go, to lay the troubles down eatin' your soul,  
I know a place, where mercy flows, take the stains, make you whiter than snow.  
Like a tide, it is risin' up, deep inside, a current that moves and makes it come alive.  
Living water that brings the dead to life. Oh, oh.

*We're goin' down to the river, down to the river, down to the river to pray, ay, ay.*

*Let's get washed by the water, washed by the water and rise up in amazing grace.*

*Let's go down, down, down, to the river. You will leave changed.*

*Let's go down, down, down, to the river. Never the same.*

I've seen it move, in my own life, took me from dusty roads into paradise.  
All of my dirt, all of my shame, drowned in the streams that've made me born again.  
Like a tide, it is risin' up, deep inside, a current that moves and makes it come alive.  
Living water that brings the dead to life. Oh, oh. *{Chorus}*

TAG 1: *Let's go down. (Oo... Oo... Oo...)*

*Let's go down. (Oo... Oo... Oo...)*

*Let's go down. {Chorus}*

TAG 2: *Oh, down. (Oo... Oo... Oo...)*

*Gotta go, gotta go, gotta go down in amazing grace.*

*Down, down, down to the river.*

*Gotta go, gotta go, gotta go down in amazing grace. <sup>6</sup>*

*\*Please stand as you are able.*





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Stephen Ministers, wearing blue name badges, will be at each service if anyone in the Epworth family wants to talk about any life challenges.

The special Peace Candle on the Chancel shines to remind us of God's desire for peace throughout our world and our call to be God's peacemakers.

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*Ushers* Head Usher: Jim Blakeslee

Usher Coordinator – Worship Pathway:

9:30: Pat Thornton, Tom Lechner, Coles Marsh, Maubra Randolph, Michael Fehrenbach, Carol Fehrenbach

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