Jan. 23, 2022

PRELUDE, OPENING PRAYER, WELCOME, & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN SONG

SONG: “Let the River Flow”[[1]](#footnote-1)

Verse: Let the poor man say, I am rich in Him; Let the lost man say, I am found in Him; Let the river flow; Let the blind man say; I can see again; Let the dead man say, I am born again; Let the river flow; Let the river flow

Chorus: Let the river flow; Let the river flow; Holy Spirit come; Move in power; (Let the river flow)

Bridge: Let the river flow (let the river flow); Let the river flow (let the river flow); Let the river flow (let the river flow); Let the river flow

SONG: “River of Dreams,” Billy Joel

SONG: “Step by Step”[[2]](#footnote-2)

**O God You are my God; And I will ever praise You; O God You are my God; And I will ever praise You; I will seek You in the morning; And I will learn to walk in Your ways; And step by step You'll lead me; And I will follow You all of my days**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION, PARDON, AND PEACE (responsive)

God who made all things and is beyond our imagining, thank you for the gift of life, the gift of today, the gift of this space.

**Jesus Christ who came into our world to be with us, thank you for your healing presence, your life, your friendship.**

Spirit of God who animates us with the resurrection life of God, breathe on us, be in our midst, animate our worship.

**Holy One, receive us in our turning to you, forgive our sin, and renew our love for you and for our neighbors.**

For, we ask this in the name of Christ, your Word Made Flesh, our source and strength. Amen

CHILDREN’S SERMON

NEHEMIAH 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

1all the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. 2Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. 3He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. 5And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. 6Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, ‘Amen, Amen’, lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the Lord with their faces to the ground. 8So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

9 And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, ‘This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep.’ For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. 10Then he said to them, ‘Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.’

LUKE 4:14-21

14 Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. 15He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

16 When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, 17and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

18 ‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,

because he has anointed me

to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives

and recovery of sight to the blind,

to let the oppressed go free,

19 to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.’

20And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. 21Then he began to say to them, ‘Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.’

SERMON

\*HYMN: #28 “For the Beauty of the Earth”

JOYS & CONCERNS, PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH, LORD’S PRAYER

Lord, in your mercy… **Hear our prayers.**

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SONG: “Days Of Elijah”[[3]](#footnote-3)

Verse 1: These are the days of Elijah; Declaring the Word of the Lord; And these are the days; Of Your servant Moses; Righteousness being restored; And though these are days; Of great trials; Of famine and darkness and sword; Still we are the voice; In the desert crying; Prepare ye the way of the Lord

Chorus: Behold He comes; Riding on the clouds; Shining like the sun; At the trumpet call; So lift your voice; It's the year of Jubilee; And out of Zion's hill; Salvation comes

Verse 2: And these are the days of Ezekiel; The dry bones becoming as flesh; And these are the days; Of Your servant David; Rebuilding a temple of praise; And these are the days of the harvest; The fields are as white in the world; And we are the labourers; In Your vineyard; Declaring the Word of the Lord

Bridge: There is no God like Jehovah; There is no God like Jehovah; There is no God like Jehovah; There is no God like Jehovah (hey)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

PRAYER LIST

*To add to our prayer list please email Pastor Tim with a brief description of your prayer. Please indicate if you would like the prayer to be listed on an ongoing basis.* [tim.hare@trumbullcc.org](mailto:tim.hare@trumbullcc.org).

Rita & Bob Bennett, Pastor Tim’s Aunt & Uncle, experiencing health concerns

John, Sarah, and Ryan Tyler, grieving the loss of Beth

Family of Stacey Tall, friends of the Hills, grieving the loss of Stacey’s husband

Chip Warren, recovering from surgery

Mitchel Archer, continued recovery and help with new prostheses

Santiago Alfonso, (lives in our parsonage,) recovering from a severe seizure.

Muirgheal Coffin, continued struggles with her seizure disorder

Joan Scianna recovering from a fall, and in a nursing home with Covid.

Irene Gruttadauria, Lisa’s Mother-In-Law recovering from a fall and 2 broken ankles

The Cunha Family, grieving the loss of their beautiful daughter Chelsea

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