**GATHERED FOR WORSHIP**

**PRELUDE, OPENING PRAYER, WELCOME, & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WORSHIP IN SONG**

**SONG: *“****What A Beautiful Name”*

Verse 1

***You were the Word at the beginning, One with God the Lord Most High***

***Your hidden glory in creation, Now revealed in You our Christ***

Chorus 1

***What a beautiful Name it is, What a beautiful Name it is***

***The Name of Jesus Christ my King, What a beautiful Name it is***

***Nothing compares to this, What a beautiful Name it is, The Name of Jesus***

Verse 2

***You didn't want heaven without us, So Jesus You brought heaven down***

***My sin was great Your love was greater, What could separate us now***

Chorus 2

***What a wonderful Name it is, What a wonderful Name it is***

***The Name of Jesus Christ my King, What a wonderful Name it is***

***Nothing compares to this, What a wonderful Name it is***

***The Name of Jesus, What a wonderful Name it is, The Name of Jesus***

Bridge

***Death could not hold You, The veil tore before You***

***You silence the boast of sin and grave, The heavens are roaring***

***The praise of Your glory, For You are raised to life again***

Bridge

***You have no rival, You have no equal***

***Now and forever God You reign, Yours is the kingdom***

***Yours is the glory, Yours is the Name above all names***

Chorus 3

***What a powerful Name it is, What a powerful Name it is***

***The Name of Jesus Christ my King, What a powerful Name it is***

***Nothing can stand against, What a powerful Name it is, The Name of Jesus***

Ending

***What a powerful Name it is, The Name of Jesus***

***What a powerful Name it is, The Name of Jesus***

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**SONG: *“****Peace Train,” Cat Stevens*

**\*HYMN: “***Morning Has Broken”* (insert)

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION:** (Ruth Duck, “Bread for the Journey”)

**O God who labors without ceasing, to bring all people into wholeness and into oneness with you, we confess our reluctance to live in unity with all your people. Help us to overcome the scandal of our pride – the pride of race, creed, class, and color – that your church might be a worthy witness to your good news of love and forgiveness, through Jesus Christ, our risen Head. Amen.**

**\*WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND THE PASSING OF PEACE**

**HEARING THE WORD OF GOD**

**CHILDREN’S SERMON**

**PSALM 23**  1 The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.
2 He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;\*
3 he restores my soul.\* He leads me in right paths\*  for his name’s sake.

4 Even though I walk through the darkest valley,\* I fear no evil; for you are with me;
 your rod and your staff— they comfort me. 5 You prepare a table before me
 in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
6 Surely\* goodness and mercy\* shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.\*

**JOHN 10:11-18** ‘I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.’

**SERMON**

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD**

**\*HYMN:** #248 *“Such Perfect Love My Shepherd Shows”*

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

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

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  **SENT TO SERVE**

**SONG:***“May The Peoples Praise You”*

Verse 1

***You have called us out of darkest night, Into Your glorious light***

***That we may sing the wonders of, The risen Christ***

Verse 2

***May our every breath retell the grace, That broke into our strife***

***With boundless love and deepest joy, With endless life***

Chorus

***May the peoples praise You, Let the nations be glad***

***All Your blessing comes, That we may praise***

***May praise the Name of Jesus***

Verse 3

***All the earth is Yours and all within, Each harvest is Your own***

***And from Your hand we give to You, To make Christ known***

Verse 4

***May the seeds of mercy grow in us, For those who have not heard***

***May songs of praise build lives of grace, To spread Your Word***

Verse 5

***This our holy priv'lege to declare, Your praises and Your name***

***To every nation tribe and tongue, Your church proclaim***

Bridge

***Holy Holy is the Lord Almighty, Worthy worthy is the Lamb who was slain***

***Holy Holy is the Lord Almighty, All creation praise Your glorious Name***

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**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

Thank you for worshiping with us at TCC!

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 Music Minister: Ilana Ofgang, Ilana.ofgang@trumbullcc.org



*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.

~Herb Gratrix, continued healing

~Muirgheal Coffin, prayers for continued good health as she struggles with Epilepsy

~Rose Heiser, Angela Hare’s mother, struggling with health concerns

~Stephanie Marko, Jo Ann Hunt’s friend, who lost her son (48 years old) to heart failure

~Karolina Szabo’s sister, Irma, experiencing health concerns

~Charlotte Coe and family, Jo Ann Hunt's friend with dementia and cancer

~The family of Stacey Tellis, especially Matt, TJ, and Andrew, grieving her recent death.

~The parents of Paul Nestro, experiencing health concerns

~The Kitchener family, grieving the loss of Lesley’s father

~Robin Nelson, Donna Feller’s friend, struggling with a serious infection

~The Toth family grieving the loss of George Toth

~Denise Toth, prayers for healing after suffering a stroke

~Angela Hare, preparing for a 2nd knee replacement on April 25

~Brian Smith, Wendy Corris's brother-in-law & long time friend of Barbara DeAngelo,

 who is dealing with another cancer diagnosis.

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**\*FEEL THE WARMTH: We’re looking for volunteers for meal prep and dinner service on Thursday, April 25. Please sign up on our website by April 21.**

**\*MEN’S BREAKFAST: Save the date: Saturday, May 4th at 8:30am at “That 50’s Diner” in Bridgeport. We meet on the first Saturday of every month - remember, breakfast is the most important meal of the day. MEN, LET’S HANG OUT! RSVP to** **mikelaar13@gmail.com****.**

**\*WOMEN’S LUNCHEON: Wednesday, May 1st at 12 pm. - Bring a bagged lunch - coffee and dessert will be provided. All are invited ~ We hope to see you there!!!**

**\*CROP HUNGER WALK: Save the date: May 5, 1:30-4pm. Shall we walk together with area congregations to fight hunger with Church World Service? If you are interested in joining a team of walkers please contact** **tim.hare@trumbullcc.org****.**

**\*HOUSE CHURCH: MAY 8: Please join us at the home of Chip and Alice Warren at 7pm for casual fellowship with refreshments followed by a time of discussion around a scripture passage, prayer, and Communion. House church is a fun way to build upon our friendships and cultivate faith.**

**\*“ALL CREATION SINGS” HYMN FESTIVAL: The Yale Institute for Sacred Music is hosting a free concert in Woolsey Hall on May 5 at 4pm. A choir of 300 voices will sing hymns to celebrate the diversity of creation and our duty to care for it. Learn more at** [**https://ism.yale.edu**](https://ism.yale.edu)**.**

**\*A UCC EVENING WITH ELLIS PAUL: Save the date of Sunday, June 2 at 4pm for a special concert at the First Congregational Church of Danbury. Singer/songwriter, Ellis Paul, will offer songs and reflections meant to entertain and inspire. This free event is sponsored by the Fairfield East Association for all of its member churches and friends. A reception follows.**

**\*NURSERY HELP: Nursery care is a great offering at TCC, but in order to continue we NEED members to volunteer to be the 2nd adult in the room. Our “Safe Church” policy requires it. Please sign up on our website under “volunteer.”**