

First Presbyterian Church

Clarks Summit, PA

Jazz Worship Service

September 6, 2020

10:00 a.m.



ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude Music "Standing in the Need of Prayer"

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

Psalm 143:8

O Lord, let me hear of your steadfast love in the morning,

For in you I put my trust.

Teach me the way I should go,

For to you I lift up my soul.

Hymn 352

"My Lord! What a Morning"

Refrain: My Lord! what a morning; my Lord! what a morning;

O my Lord! what a morning, when the stars begin to fall, when the stars begin to fall.

1 You will hear the trumpet sound to wake the nations underground,
looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall. (**Refrain**)

2 You will hear the sinner cry, to wake the nations underground,
looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall. (**Refrain**)

3 You will hear the Christian shout, to wake the nations underground,
looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall. (**Refrain**)

Call to Confession

Silent Prayer of Confession *as the duo plays "Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen"*

Text for silent meditation:

Nobody knows the trouble I've seen. Nobody knows my sorrow.

Nobody knows the trouble I've seen. Nobody knows like Jesus.

Brothers, will you pray for me? Sisters, will you pray for me?

Preachers, will you pray for me? And help me to drive old Satan away?

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

Musical Response

"Give Me, Jesus"

Text for silent meditation:

I heard my mother say, I heard my mother say,

I heard my mother say, "Give me Jesus."

Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus! You may have all this world. Give me Jesus.

Dark midnight was my cry, dark midnight was my cry.

Dark midnight was my cry, "Give me Jesus."

Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus! You may have all this world. Give me Jesus.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination
First Lesson: Matthew 9:16-17

Special Music "I've Been in the Storm So Long"

Second Lesson: Matthew 13:52
Sermon: "Old is New is Now"

Rev. Carter

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot"

Refrain: Swing low, sweet chariot, coming for to carry me home.
Swing low, sweet chariot, coming for to carry me home.

- 1 I looked over Jordan, and what did I see coming for to carry me home?
A band of angels coming after me, coming for to carry me home. O, **(Refrain)**
- 2 If you get there before I do, coming for to carry me home,
tell all my friends I'm coming too, coming for to carry me home. O, **(Refrain)**
- 3 The brightest day that ever I saw, coming for to carry me home,
when Jesus washed my sins away, coming for to carry me home. O, **(Refrain)**
- 4 I'm sometimes up and sometimes down, coming for to carry me home,
but still my soul feels heavenly bound, coming for to carry me home. O, **(Refrain)**

Affirmation of Faith

Anonymous

**I believe in the sun even when it is not shining
And I believe in love, even when there's no one there.
And I believe in God, even when he is silent.
I believe through any trial, there is always a way.**

**But sometimes in this suffering and hopeless despair
My heart cries for shelter, to know someone's there
But a voice rises within me, saying, "Hold on my child, I'll give you strength,
I'll give you hope. Just stay a little while."**

**I believe in the sun even when it is not shining.
And I believe in love even when there's no one there.
But I believe in God even when he is silent.
I believe through any trial there is always a way.**

**May there someday be sunshine. May there someday be happiness.
May there someday be love. May there someday be peace.**

Inscribed on a cellar wall during the Holocaust

Offering
Offertory

"We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder"

Prayers of the People / Lord's Prayer

GO IN GOD'S NAME

Hymn 379

"We Shall Overcome"

The duo will play and interlude after verses 2 and 4.

1 We shall overcome; we shall overcome; we shall overcome someday.

Refrain: O deep in my heart I do believe we shall overcome someday!

2 We'll walk hand in hand; we'll walk hand in hand; we'll walk hand in hand someday.

(Refrain)

3 We shall live in peace; we shall live in peace; we shall live in peace someday. **(Refrain)**

4 We are not afraid; we are not afraid; we are not afraid today. **(Refrain)**

5 God will see us through; God will see us through; God will see us through today.

(Refrain)

Charge and Benediction

Postlude Music

"Over My Head"

Today's Worship Leaders

Tony Marino, bass

Rev. Bill Carter, piano

Frank Jones, vocals

Rev. Dr. Brent Eelman, liturgist

The music for today's service comes from the tradition of African American spirituals. Through simple phrases, repetition, and soulful harmony, our hearts can honestly express deep worries and profound hopes. The inspiration for our service comes from "Steal Away," a 1995 recording of spirituals by bassist Charlie Haden and pianist Hank Jones. Today's music will be arranged spontaneously.

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