



Centennial UMC at Ivy | Sunday Worship with IAUMC | June 6, 2021

Prelude - Indianola First UMC

Invocation - Rev. LaTonya Calderon- Stuart- Mt. Vernon UMC & Menlo UMC

Opening Hymn - #568 “Christ for the World We Sing” -Broadway UMC

Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring,
With loving zeal; the poor, and them that mourn, the faint
and overborne, sinsick and sorrow worn, whom Christ doth heal.

Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring,
With fervent prayer; the wayward and the lost, by restless
passions tossed, redeemed at countless cost, from dark despair.

Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring,
with one accord; with us the work to share, with us reproach
to dare, with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.

Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring,
with joyful song; the newborn souls, whose days, reclaimed from
error's ways, inspired with hope and praise, to Christ belong.

Responsive Litany- Rev. Jordan Derhammer - Iowa Falls First UMC & Alden UMC

Come and worship, all you who love and serve the Lord:

The young, old, and the in-between.

We are called to gather each week to learn of Christ's healing love.

Help us, O Lord, to learn your lessons of compassion.

At times, we utter words of prejudice and hatred, even when we believe our words hold kindness.

Loving Lord, heal our thoughts and our words.

May we not only gather to be healed, but also to accept the changes that discipleship requires.

Lord Jesus, open our minds and spirits to your life-changing call.

Come and worship, all you who love and serve the Lord:

For God's presence joins all of us near, far, and in-between. Amen.

Twisted Sisters Song - *God's Highway* by Sandra McCracken

Prayer - Rev. ByungHwoon Lee - DSM Epworth UMC, DSM Simpson UMC, & DSM Korean

Scripture Reading: Mark 7:24-28

Jesus left that place and went into the region of Tyre. He didn't want anyone to know that he had entered a house, but he couldn't hide. In fact, a woman whose young daughter was possessed by an unclean spirit heard about him right away. She came and fell at his feet. The woman was Greek, Syrophenician by birth. She begged Jesus to throw the demon out of her daughter. He responded, "The children have to be fed first. It isn't right to take the children's bread and toss it to the dogs."

But she answered, "Lord, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs."

"Good answer!" he said. "Go on home. The demon has already left your daughter."

When she returned to her house, she found the child lying on the bed and the demon gone.

Sermon - *Did Jesus Just Call that Woman a Dog?* - Bishop Haller

Song of Reflection - #2237 "As a Fire is Meant for Burning" - Centennial UMC at Ivy

As a fire is meant for burning with a bright and warming flame,
so the church is meant for mission, giving glory to God's name.
Not to preach our creeds or customs, but to build a bridge of care,
we join hands across the nations, finding neighbors everywhere.

We are learners; we are teachers; we are pilgrims on the way.
We are seekers; we are givers; we are vessels made of clay.
By our gentle, loving actions we would show that Christ is light.
In a humble, listening Spirit we would live to God's delight.

As a green bud in the springtime is a sign of life renewed,
So may we be signs of oneness 'mid earth's peoples, many hued.
As a rainbow lights the heavens when a storm is past and gone,
May our lives reflect the radiance of God's new and glorious dawn.

Confession / Lament / Forgiveness - Rev. Caesar David - DSM Union Park UMC

So many days, we are like the blind beggar in Mark's gospel, sitting on the side of the road,
hoping to hear the sounds of your return.

Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

We are like the Syrophenician woman who wasn't afraid to speak her mind when she needed your help.

Or the woman who was sick for so many years who reached out to touch the hem of your garment.

Loving God, have mercy on us.

Have mercy on us, when we are unsure how we will survive,

Or when we are sick and cannot get well.

Faithful Spirit, have mercy on us.

Have mercy on us when our hearts are hardened and we struggle to
love, heal, and forgive.

Risen Lord, have mercy on us.

For we are made complete, not by our bank accounts and not in the words of our neighbors, but in You.

Compassionate God, have mercy on us.

We gather confident, that your promise to be among us is always true.

Confident that you are greater than the trials we face,

Confident that we are secure in the palm of your hands.

Holy Spirit, have mercy on us. Amen.

Closing Hymn - #2153 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me - Praise Team at Spirit Lake UMC

I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!