

SERMON
“FOR THE SAKE OF LOVE”
REV. LARAINÉ WAUGHTAL

SCRIPTURE -LEXI DETTY BOHMS
MATTHEW 24:1-14

HYMN OF INVITATION

SPIRIT SONG

UMH 347, V 1 & 2
WORDS & MUSIC: JOHN WIMBER

1. O let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love. Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul. O let him have the things that hold you, and his Spirit like a dove will descend upon your life and make you whole.

Refrain: Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs. Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

2. O come and sing this song with gladness as your hearts are filled with joy. Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name. O give him all your tears and sadness; give him all your years of pain, and you'll enter into life in Jesus' name. **(Refrain)**

***BENEDICTION**

***SENDING FORTH**
SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT

UMH # 334, (NO REFRAIN)
WORDS & MUSIC BY DORIS AKERS

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord; there are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

POSTLUDE
JESUS PRICELESS TREASURE
BY: J. CRUGER, J.S. BACH



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

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PRELUDE

O LORD DIVINE, WHAT HAST THOU DONE

BY: CHARLES WESLEY

WELCOME HOME!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

SING ALLELUIA

WORDS & MUSIC BY GARY JOHNSON

*CALL TO WORSHIP -TAMMI HENDERSON

O give thanks to the Lord, who is good, whose steadfast love endures for ever!
Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom the Lord has redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

Some wandered in the desert wastes, finding no way to a city in which to dwell;

Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.

Then in their trouble, they cried to the Lord, who delivered them from their distress,

And led them by a straight way, till they reached a city in which to dwell.

Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.

For the Lord satisfies those who are thirsty, and fills the hungry with good things.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING

UMH #384, V 1 & 2

WORDS: CHARLES WESLEY

MUSIC: JOHN ZUNDEL

1. Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down; fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown! Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

2. Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast! Let us all in thee inherit; let us find that second rest. Take away our bent to sinning; Alpha and Omega be; end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH --TAMMI HENDERSON

Leader: There is one God and there is one mediator, Christ Jesus, who came as a ransom for all, to whom we testify.

Congregation: This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance: That Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners, and was manifested in the flesh, vindicated in the Spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed in throughout the world, taken up in glory. Great indeed is the mystery of the gospel. Amen.

SHARING OF OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER

HAVE THINE OWN WAY LORD

UMH #382, V1

WORDS BY: ADELAIDE A. POLLARD

MUSIC BY: GEORGE C. STEBBINS

1. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Thou art the potter; I am the clay. Mold me and make me after thy will, while I am waiting, yielded and still.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING PRAYER & RETURN OF GOD'S TITHES & GIFTS

*DOXOLOGY

PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

UMH #94

WORDS BY THOMAS KEN

MUSIC FROM *GEISTLICHE KIRCHENGESANGE*

ARR. BY RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

ANTHEM -CHILDREN SING

AMAZING GRACE

WORDS BY: JOHN NEWTON

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH

CHILDREN FROM KINDERGARTEN TO 5TH GRADE MAY GO WITH LIZIE ROBINSON TO THE CONFERENCE ROOM

HYMN OF FAITH

IN THE GARDEN

UMH# 314, V 1 & 3

WORDS & MUSIC BY: C. AUSTIN MILES

1. I come to the garden alone while the dew is still on the roses, and the voice I hear falling on my ear, the Son of God discloses.

Refrain: And he walks with me, and he talks with me, and he tells me I am his own; and the joy we share as we tarry there, none other has ever known.

3. I'd stay in the garden with him though the night around me be falling, but he bids me go; thru the voice of woe his voice to me is calling. **(Refrain)**