



First United Methodist Church of Riverside (<https://firstchurchriverside.org>)

November 15, 2020: Family Sunday Worship

ALL ARE WELCOME TO WORSHIP ONLINE (Livestream):

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE: "He is Lord" (by Emma Lou Diemer) / Robert Phillips, Organist

TRINITY BELLS / Robert Phillips, Organist

OPENING HYMN: #2160 "Into My Heart" / All (Led by Kris Lovekin; Accompanied by Robert Phillips, Organist)

Verse 1

Into my heart, into my heart,
Come into my heart, Lord Jesus;
Come in today, come in to stay;
Come into my heart, Lord Jesus.

Verse 2

Out of my heart, out of my heart,
Shine out of my heart, Lord Jesus;
Shine out today, shine out always;
Shine out of my heart, Lord Jesus.

WELCOME / Rev. J. T. Kim

THE CHURCH AT PRAYER / Rev. J. T. Kim

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

UNISON PRAYER (Family Sunday)

In you, O God, every family on earth receives its name.

Illuminate the homes of this earth with the light of your love, granting courage to those who are hurt or lonely, endurance to those who care for sick family members, and wisdom to those in fearful times of change. We thank you for gifts of love we

have received from mother, father, spouse, child, or companion. As we have been loved by you and by others, so may we love. Grant us your peace, through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

(Adapted from The United Methodist Book of Worship, #437)

CHILDREN'S TIME / Cindy Marr

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 25:14-30 (NRSV) / Cindy Marr, Liturgist

The Parable of the Talents

¹⁴For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; ¹⁵to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. ¹⁷In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. ¹⁸But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." ²¹His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." ²²And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." ²³His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." ²⁴Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; ²⁵so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." ²⁶But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? ²⁷Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. ²⁹For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. ³⁰As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

(Liturgist) This is the Word of Christ!

(All) Glory to You, O Christ!

INTERLUDE: "You Are So Good To Me" The Response with Bell Ringers (Gayla Lonsbery & Jason Handen)

SERMON: "THE PARABLE OF FEARLESS FAITH" / Rev. J. T. Kim

HYMN OF DEDICATION: "Behold, What Manner of Love" (2 Times)
/ All (Led by Pastor Kim with Guitar and Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

**Behold what manner of love
The Father has given unto us,
Behold what manner of love
The Father has given unto us,
That we should be called the children of God,
That we should be called the children of God.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING / Cindy Marr, Liturgist
(Liturgist) Dear Church Family and Friends: I invite you to give your tithes and offerings generously to support our church's missions and ministries. You can give online 24/7 through our church's website: www.firstchurchriverside.org/giving/ Or you can simply mail your offering to the church address. Or you can also drop off your offering envelope into the church office mail slot. Or you may set up automatic draft through your bank. Thank you for being faithful to God through our Church!
(All) Amen!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (UNISON) / All (Led by Cindy Marr, Liturgist)
**Giver of gifts, you bestow us with talents
that are far more precious than jewels.
Open our eyes to the possibilities
you hold for our world.
Transform the gifts we offer this day
into light and love for the world.
Transform our talents into blessings
for a world in need. Amen.**

SENDING HYMN: #3105 "In Christ Alone"/ All (Led by Kris Lovekin; Accompanied by Robert Phillips, Organist)

Verse 1
**In Christ alone my hope is found,
he is my light, my strength, my song.
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when striving cease!
My Comforter, my all in all,
here in the love of Christ I stand.**

Verse 2

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness
scorned by the ones he came to save.
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
the wrath of God was satisfied;
For every sin on him was laid.
Here in the death of Christ I live.

Verse 3

There in the ground his body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave he rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
sin's curse has lost its grip on me.
For I am his and he is mine,
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

Verse 4

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme or plan
can ever pluck me from his hand.
'Til he returns or calls me home,
here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

BENEDICTION / Rev. J. T. Kim

POSTLUDE: "*Pisgah*" (by Dale Wood)/Robert Phillips, Organist

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