UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF AUBURN

September 27, 2020, 8:15 am (Sanctuary) and 10 am (Drive-in/Online)

All members of this parish form the ministry team in witness of Christ.

Welcome Drive-in Congregation...

The 10 am worship service will be broadcast on radio, 88.3 FM.

If you also choose to access the service on Facebook live, please use your own data rather than the church internet. Multiple users drawing from the church internet will interfere with the live-stream broadcast.

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING WITH PRAISE:

Len Lednum, Technician

WELCOME, MISSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Rev. Stephen Bascom, Pastor

The United Methodist Church of Auburn is an intergenerational Christian Community whose mission is to embody Christ's love through a commitment to serve God by fulfilling the spiritual, emotional, and physical needs of our congregation and of our local and global communities.

PRELUDE:

Judith Kuhn, Organist

GATHERING PRAYER:

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made. **People:** Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

L: Sing praises to God, O you saints, and give thanks to God's holy name!

P: We exalt you, O God, for you have restored life!

L: We may cry through the night, but your joy comes with the morning.

P: You hear us, O God, and you are gracious to us in our distress.

L: You turn our mourning into dancing!

P: Our souls cannot be silent!

All: O God, our Savior, we give thanks to you for ever!

(Jann C. Weaver, USA, 20th C, UMBOW)

GATHERING HYMN: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

UMH #155

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall, let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him, crown him, crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall, ye ransomed from the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him, crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all.

Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him, crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, ye martyrs of your God, who from his altar call, who from his altar call; extol the Stem of Jesse's Rod, and crown him, crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall, we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him,

crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all.

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WE ENCOUNTER GOD'S WORD

(10 am only)

Caroline Coffin, Liturgist

CHILDREN'S MOMENT: "The Picking of Apples"

SCRIPTURE: Philippians 2:1-13

SONG OF PREPARATON: "Fairest Lord Jesus" UMH#189 (10 am only)

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, O thou of God and man the Son, thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, and all the twinkling starry host; Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine.

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MESSAGE: "Conduct Speaks Louder"

Text: Matthew 21:23-32

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

OFFERTORY: (10 am only)

We invite you to invest in God's mission and ministry as it flows through the United Methodist Church of Auburn into human lives!

DOXOLOGY: Praise God from whom all blessings flow; UMH Page 94

Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the Source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING:

God of new beginnings, we seek to do everything in the name of Jesus. We desire to live in compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. As we place an offering upon your altar, we believe that we are moving closer to this desire. Help us live with your peace ruling in our hearts. We are so thankful! In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

(David Bell, c2007 General Board of Discipleship, Worship & Song, Adapted)

CELEBRATIONS AND PRAYER:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE DEPART TO SERVE

*SENDING HYMN: "Trust and Obey" UMH#467

When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word, what a glory he sheds on our way! While we do his good will, he abides with us still, and with all who will trust and obey.

Refrain

Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share, but our toil he doth richly repay; not a grief or a loss, not a frown or a cross, but is blest if we trust and obey. (Refrain)

But we never can prove the delights of his love until all on the altar we lay; for the favor he shows, for the joy he bestows, are for them who will trust and obey. (**Refrain**)

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit as his feet, or we'll walk by his side in the way; what he says we will do, where he sends we will go; never fear, only trust and obey. (**Refrain**) (Words: John H. Sammis, 1887; Music: Daniel B. Towner, 1887, UMH, Public Domain)

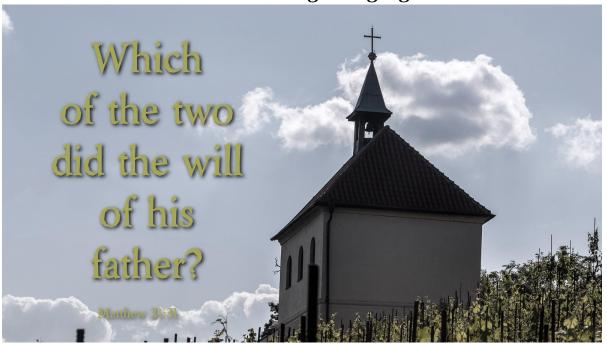
*BENEDICTION:

*POSTLUDE: Judith Kuhn, Organist

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*A Reconciling Congregation



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Worship Schedule
Sunday 8:15 am and 10:00 am

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