



# Outdoor Service Worship Service

## Sunday, September 20 ~ 10am

### Greeting & News for the Pews

**Prelude**

*Come, Christians, Join To Sing*

Bill Ingram  
Jubilee Ringers

### Prayer of the Day

Calling to us, gathering us in, you give us your good work to do, daily bread, and boundless grace. Increase in us a generous spirit so that we may do your work with joy alongside others whom you also love. We celebrate your salvation not only in our lives, but also in the lives of other people, even those we had not imagined would be included in the kingdom you are bringing. Align us with your ways and help us receive your gift of justice and mercy as good news. In Jesus Christ we pray.

**Amen.**

### Our Common Truth

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

**Gracious God, we have sought after things, but we have not sought after you. We have expected generosity, but we have not shown generosity. We have not been gracious or grateful. We have failed to remember all that you have done. Forgive us and fill our hearts with gratitude. Help us to share our gifts and strengthen our legs so that we can run after you, O God. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

### The Power of Grace

Let the wisdom of your Word rain down on us like manna and feed us, that we may be strengthened to do the work to which we are called, for the glory and honor of your name.

**Amen.**

## **A Chat with the Children**

**Scripture** Psalm 105: 1-6, 37-45 *NRSV*

O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name,  
make known his deeds among the peoples.  
Sing to him, sing praises to him;  
tell of all his wonderful works.  
Glory in his holy name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.  
Seek the Lord and his strength;  
seek his presence continually.  
Remember the wonderful works he has done,  
his miracles, and the judgments he has uttered,  
O offspring of his servant Abraham,  
children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

Then he brought Israel out with silver and gold,  
and there was no one among their tribes who stumbled.  
Egypt was glad when they departed,  
for dread of them had fallen upon it.  
He spread a cloud for a covering,  
and fire to give light by night.  
They asked, and he brought quails,  
and gave them food from heaven in abundance.  
He opened the rock, and water gushed out;  
it flowed through the desert like a river.  
For he remembered his holy promise,  
and Abraham, his servant.

So, he brought his people out with joy,  
his chosen ones with singing.  
He gave them the lands of the nations,  
and they took possession of the wealth of the peoples,  
that they might keep his statutes  
and observe his laws.  
Praise the Lord!

Sermon

Hymn

Mark Hayes  
Sung by Susie Loeffler

LAMENT AND LONGING FOR HEALING

# There Is a Balm in Gilead 792

*Refrain*

There is a balm in Gil-e-ad to make the wound-ed whole;

*Fine*

there is a balm in Gil-e-ad to heal the sin-sick soul.

1 Some-times I feel dis-cour-aged, and think my work's in vain, but  
2 Don't ev - er feel dis-cour-aged, for Je-sus is your friend, and  
3 If you can-not preach like Pe - ter, if you can-not pray like Paul, you can

*to Refrain*

then the Ho-ly Spir - it re-vives my soul a - gain. There is a  
if you lack for knowl-edge, he'll not re-fuse to lend. There is a  
tell the love of Je - sus and say, "He died for all." There is a

This African American spiritual offers a long-delayed answer to the prophet Jeremiah's question, "Is there no balm in Gilead?" (Jeremiah 8:22). No earthly remedy can compare with the healing that comes from a sense of God's presence; nothing else can heal "the sin-sick soul."

TEXT: African American spiritual  
MUSIC: African American spiritual; arr. Melva Wilson Costen, 1989, alt.

BALM IN GILEAD  
7.6.7.6 with refrain

## **Prayers of the People**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.**

**Amen.**

### **Sharing Our Gifts**

Whether we have much or only a little, we can share our daily bread so that all will be fed. As we have received, so now we give, in the vineyard of the Lord, our tithes and offerings. Please take time to go to the CPC website & click on the "Give Now" tab or mail your offerings to CPC as you are able.

### **Anthem**

*Fairest Lord Jesus*

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### **Prayer of Dedication**

God of the harvest, we are privileged to be counted among those whom you have called, graced to have been given your work to do, blessed to receive more than we will ever earn. Accept, we pray, our thanksgivings and offerings, and do what you choose with what already belongs to you. In Christ's name we pray.

**Amen.**

### **Blessing and Charge**

May the generous grace of Christ attend you; the astounding love of God find you, and the surprising movement of the Holy Spirit guide you, everywhere and always.

GOD'S COVENANT WITH ISRAEL

# You Shall Go Out with Joy 80

## The Trees of the Field

Em B7 Em B7 Em

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;

G C G D

the moun-tains and the hills will break forth be-

B N.C. Em B7 Em

fore you; there'll be shouts of joy, and all the

B7 Em B7 Em B7 Em

trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.

D7 N.C. G C G D

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands;

D7 G D7 G

the trees of the field will clap their hands;

C G D

the trees of the field will clap their hands

B7 Em B7 Em

while you go out with joy.

\*Clap hands.

This text paraphrases Isaiah 55:12, which is generally understood to describe a "second exodus," this time from Babylon rather than from Egypt. This release of God's people and their return to their own land gives rise to a joyful celebration involving all creation.

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MUSIC: Stuart Dauermann, 1975  
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THE TREES OF THE FIELD  
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