

A Time Together & Apart Worship
Rutland United Methodist Church
Sunday, August 14, 2022

WELCOME

OPENING MUSIC

Morning Has Broken

Paul Whitney

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: The Lord calls us today to be people of justice and mercy.

People: **Our worship is hollow if it focuses only on our own gratification.**

Pastor: The Lord asks that our words of hope become actions of peace.

People: **Thanks be to God who challenges and calls us.**

Pastor: Let our ministry together bring healing and Life.

People: **Let our lives reflect God's love and mercy.**

HYMN

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

UMH #381

1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us,
much we need thy tender care;
in thy pleasant pastures feed us,
for our use thy folds prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Thou hast bought us, thine we are.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Thou hast bought us, thine we are.

2 We are thine, thou dost befriend us,
be the guardian of our way;
keep thy flock, from sin defend us,
seek us when we go astray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Hear, O hear us when we pray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Hear, O hear us when we pray.

3 Thou hast promised to receive us,
poor and sinful though we be;
thou hast mercy to relieve us,
grace to cleanse and power to free.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
We will early turn to thee.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
We will early turn to thee.

4 Early let us seek thy favor,
early let us do thy will;
blessed Lord and only Savior,
with thy love our bosoms fill.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Thou hast loved us, love us still.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Thou hast loved us, love us still.

READING FROM THE WORD

Psalm 23

Irene Goebel

UNISON PRAYER

O God, we gather together in Your presence with expectation, hungry for an encounter with You, eager to hear Your Word. Open our eyes and ears to the presence of Your Holy Spirit. May the seeds of Your Word scattered among us this morning fall on fertile soil. May they take root in our hearts and lives, and produce an abundant harvest of good words and deeds. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our teacher and our Lord. Amen.

MOMENTS OF QUIET MEDITATION

The Lord has told us what is good. What he requires of us is this:
to do what is just, to show constant love,
and to live in humble fellowship with our God.

SUNG RESPONSE***He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought*****UMH #128**

He leadeth me: O blessed thought! O words with heavenly comfort fraught!
 Whate'er I do, where'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

SHARING THE STORY OF FAITH**Luke 12:32-40****SERMON****Where is Your Heart?****Rev. Sue Hardman-Zimmerman****HYMN*****Bring Forth the Kingdom*****FWS #2190**

You are salt for the earth, O people:
 Salt for the Kingdom of God!
 Share the flavor of life, O people:
 Life in the Kingdom of God!

You are a seed of the Word, O people:
 Bring forth the Kingdom of God!
 Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,
 Grow in the Kingdom of God! **(Refrain)**

Refrain:

Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,
 Bring forth the Kingdom of peace;
 Bring forth the Kingdom of justice,
 Bring forth the City of God!

We are a blest and a pilgrim people:
 Bound for the Kingdom of God!
 Love our journey and love our homeland:
 Love is the Kingdom of God! **(Refrain)**

You are a light on the hill, O people:
 Light for the City of God!
 Shine so holy and bright, O people:
 Shine for the Kingdom of God! **(Refrain)**

OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS; DOXOLOGY**PRAYER OF DEDICATION****CLOSING MUSIC*****Great is Thy Faithfulness*****Paul Whitney****BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH TO OUR FACEBOOK FRIENDS****PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE****ANNOUNCEMENTS**

BIBLE STUDY will begin this Tuesday, August 16 at 2 pm on Bobbie Fillioe's porch. Contact the office for more information.

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