

WELCOME TO WORSHIP ON OCTOBER 10TH, 2021.

Keswick & Ravenshoe Pastoral Charge

Minister: Rev. Calin Lau VAM: Rev. Dianne Graves
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VU – Voices United Hymnbook MV – More Voices

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
THANKSGIVING SUNDAY!

We Gather

Prelude – Amazing Grace arr. Kevin Costley

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Announcements ~ Rev. Lau will be in his office from 9:30 to Noon on Fridays at Keswick

**Bible Study ~ Oct. 18 & 25 @ 10am. Rev. Dianne Graves
905-478-8196**

Pass the Peace

Peace be with you.

And also with you.

Lighting of the Christ candle

Singing of the Lord's Prayer VU 960

Call to Worship

We come not to be entertained,
not to be needlessly humored,
nor to remain the same. Rather, we come,
to be moved by new visions,
to be disturbed by our reluctance to let things go,
to be changed by the invitation of grace.
We come with expectancy and hope.
We come in the life-changing Spirit of Christ.

Hymn: VU 389 God Is Here (v. 1, 2, 4)

Gathering Prayer (*in unison*)

**Source of Life, gather us into your presence and hold us in love.
May we be mindful of the bounty that surrounds us and open to
receiving the blessings of this day so that we might give
generously and freely in the way that we have been so richly
blessed to receive. Amen.**

Responsive Scripture: Psalm 22:1-18 VU 744-5

Song: Drift Away (by Dobie Gray)

Scripture Reading: Mark 10:17-31 (NRSV) *Kathy Anderson*

As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible." Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you."

Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age--houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions--and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

This is the Word of God.

Thanks be to God.

Reflection "What Must I Do?"

Hymn: VU 120 O Jesus, I Have Promised (v. 2, 3, 4)

We Give and Receive our Offering

As we bring these gifts to the altar, give us the eyes to see and the hearts to know God better.

Offertory Hymn: VU 578 As a Fire is Meant for Burning (v. 1)

Prayer of Dedication

Receive, O God, not only our gifts of money but our heartfelt commitments to a more generous and equitable world. In the receiving, grant us your blessing and courage for living in Jesus' way. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Hymn: MV 126 Are You a Shepherd?

***Commissioning and Blessing**

Let us go into the world taking with us nothing but ourselves to offer.

We will bear in our hearts the love of Christ and share through our actions the power of the Spirit. Amen.

Hymn: VU 429 May the Blessing of God Be Upon You

Postlude - For the Beauty of the Earth arr. Jennifer Eklund

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Twentieth Sunday
after Pentecost*



*Thanksgiving Sunday!
October 10th, 2021
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