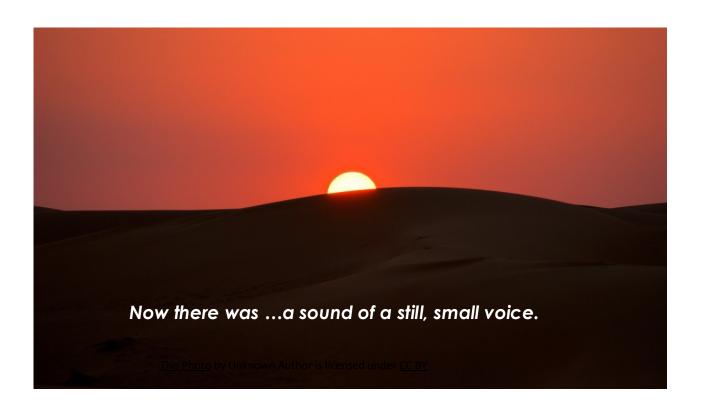


# 3rd Sunday After Pentecost June 26, 2022



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# **Gathering**

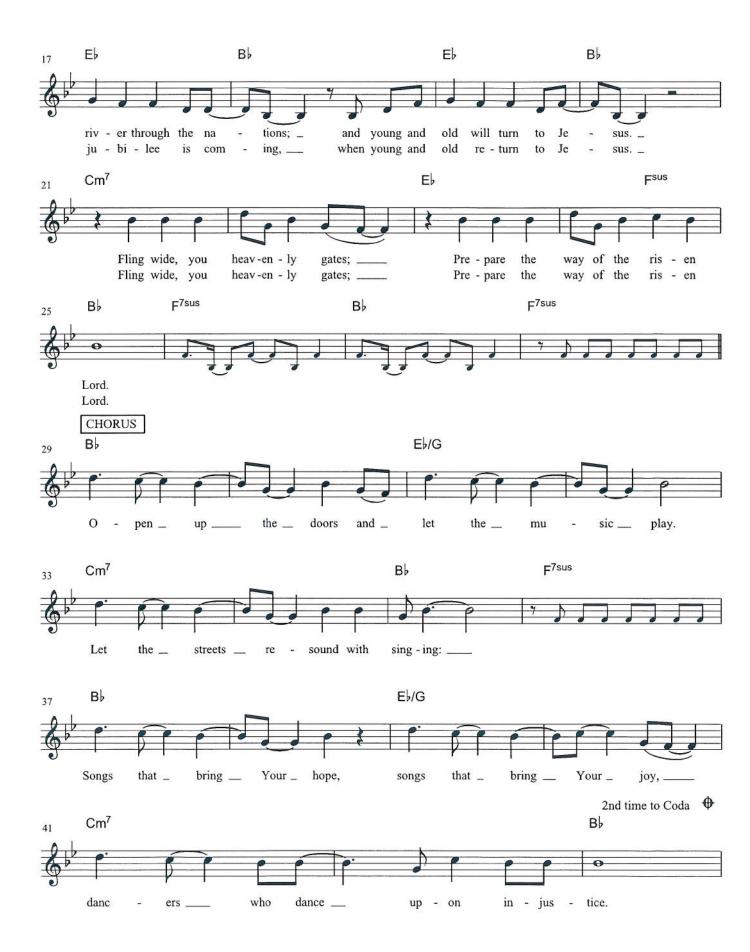
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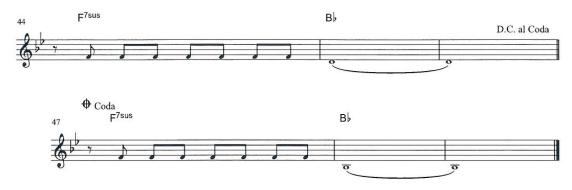
GATHERING SONG - "Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble"

# Did You Feel The Mountains Tremble

Words and Music by Martin Smith







#### Welcome

Wherever you are on your journey of faith, we believe God meets you right where you are, and you are welcome here.

#### No Longer Strangers Prayer

God of the other, above the clamor – the clamor that shouts at us to be afraid, to choose sides, and to decide for and against - is you. You always come to us in the chaos and the calm. And so often, you come to us as a stranger, as the other, as an enemy. Help us to see you in the stranger and to not turn away. Amen.

Greet Someone New Music to Bring Us Back Together

Children's Time

### Prayer of the Day Let us pray,

O God, you come to us not in the chaos of the whirlwind, not in the roar of the earthquake, not in the crackling heat of the fire, but in the sound of sheer silence.

Quiet our minds, bring peace to our hearts and stillness to our bodies that we might meet you in that silence.

Help us to listen for your still, small voice.

Give us the courage to go wherever you lead us, trusting that you will prepare the way.

We pray this in the name of our Companion on the journey, Jesus the Christ.

~ written by Rev. Heather A. Moody, and posted on the United Church of Christ's **Worship Ways** website. <a href="http://www.ucc.org/worship/worship-ways/">http://www.ucc.org/worship/worship/worship-ways/</a>



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# The Word

(Reader): Our story and God's story continues today with a reading from the Book of First Kings chapter 9, verses 9-13a.

(Reader): At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying,

(Side 1): "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

(Reader): He answered,

(Side 2): "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

(Reader): He said,

(Side 1): "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by."

(Reader): Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of [a still, small voice.] When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

(Reader): Stay tuned for the continuing saga that is our story and God's story.

(ALL): Thanks be to God.

**SERMON** - Pastor Mike Blair

SONG OF THE DAY - "Touch the Garment's Hem"



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#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God, who is mercy

Hear our prayer.

**OFFERING** (Check in from kids who went to camp)

# The Feast

Setting the Table the children lead us as we sing together:

O Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest. And let these gifts to us be blest. All Praise to God who is our bread, may all the world be clothed and fed. Amen.

#### Invitation to the Meal

This is not my table or River of Hope's table, but rather this is Christ's table and all are welcome. If you hunger and thirst for grace and mercy that comes through Jesus Christ, then Christ has set this table just for you. Bring all that you are and all that you have to the table. You will be fed. You are forgiven. There is enough.

Let us pray, God of all good gifts who gives freely to us,

You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light. Amen

### Thanksgiving at the Table

The Lord is with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

As we gather in this place, we remember, that in the night when Jesus was betrayed by his best friends, he took bread. He blessed it and broke it and gave it to these same friends saying, "Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup, blessed it and gave it for all to drink saying, "This is the new covenant, the new promise, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this for the remembrance of me." Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever, Amen.

This is Christ's table. It's a table of love and welcome. It's a table of fellowship with the poor and communion with the earth. So, come, those of you with great faith and those of you who wish you had more. Come, those of you who have tried to follow Jesus and those of you who have failed. Come, those of you who depend on this meal for your lives, and those of you for whom it is a strange thing. These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

# The Meal

**COMMUNION SONGS:** "Called by Name", "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

# Called by Name

# For Jacob and Alex October 26, 2014

by Mike Blair Inspired by Isaiah 43:1



life

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2. The face of Christ seen wherever there is need, compassion calls us to be a living creed.

In humble, loving service, abundant life remains; as Christ's servants, you are called by name.

Refrain

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claim;

3. The Living Word, our path and our light, the way of faith, like a candle in the night. Through all life's journey, a compass yet remains; trust the promise, you are called by name. Refrain

name.

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#### What a Friend We Have in Jesus



#### Blessing after Communion

Now may the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his peace. **Amen.** 

# The Sending

Why does our church exist? What is our purpose? We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

Purpose Sightings

MILESTONES! (Sing verse 1 of "Amazing Grace")
It's time for sharing milestones - a time where we join together as a community to share the big, small, good, and hard milestones in our life.

# Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound



#### FINAL BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us + be upon you now and forever. **Amen.** 

**SENDING SONG** "Build Up"



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# Go in peace, serve the Lord..

# Thanks be to God.

### Music to Send You Out

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