

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF FARMINGDALE

SUNDAY WORSHIP



April 28, 2024 – 10:30AM
5th Sunday of Easter
Sean Park, PASTOR
Music Director – Renee McGowan



PRELUDE & RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS VIDEO

*PRAISE SONGS: "Here I am to Worship", "Blessed be Your Name" & "Isn't He?"

PASSING OF PEACE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (In Unison)

Led by Joe Zita

WORDS OF ASSURANCE:

Read by Joe Zita

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 11:16-30

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CHANCEL CHOIR "Jesus At A Distance"

With Praise Band

SERMON: "The Parable of the Children in the Marketplaces"

Pastor Sean

*RESPONSE TO THE WORD: "Near to the Heart of God"

UMH # 472

BIRTHDAY BANK (Happy Birthday, May God richly bless you!)

JOYS AND CONCERNS (Prayer Cards Read)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING INVITATION AND PRAYER

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (In Unison)

*SENDING: "Be Thou My Vision"

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*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS VIDEO

*PRAISE SONG: "Here I am to Worship"

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Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes, Let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore you
Hope of a life spent with you

Chorus:

***Here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that you're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me***

King of all days
So highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly you came to the earth you created
All for love's sake became poor

Chorus:

(repeat)

***I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross***

(repeat 3x)

Chorus:

(repeat 2X)

*PRAISE SONG:

"Blessed be Your Name"

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Blessed be your name
in the land that is plentiful,
where your streams of abundance flow,
blessed be your name.
Blessed be your name
when I'm found in the desert place,
though I walk through the wilderness,
blessed be your name.

Chorus:

**Every blessing you pour out I'll
turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord,
still I will say,**

**Blessed be the name of the Lord,
blessed be your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord,
blessed be your glorious name!**

Blessed be Your name
when the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be'
Blessed be Your name.
Blessed be Your name
on the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name.

Chorus:

2x: You give and take away, You give and
take away
My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be
Your name.

**Blessed be the name of the Lord,
blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name.**

*PRAISE SONG:

"Isn't He?"

by John Wimber - 1980 Mercy Publishing CCLI #1596342

Isn't he Beautiful?,
Beautiful, Isn't he?
Prince of Peace,
Son of God
Isn't he?

Isn't he Wonderful?,
Wonderful, Isn't he?
Counselor,
Almighty God
Isn't he?, Isn't he?, Isn't he?

PASSING OF PEACE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (In Unison)

Led by Joe Zita

**Speak truth to our hearts, O God.
Speak love to our lives,
that we may remain in your love
and share your love joyously with others.
Speak grace to our souls,
that we may rest in your grace
and forgive others as we have been forgiven.
Speak mercy to our world,
that all the world may know your love
and find redemption in your grace.
In hope and trust, we pray. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE:

Read by Joe Zita

*God's promises are sure.
The promises of forgiveness, grace, and love are true.
In Christ's love and grace,
we are forgiven and made new.*

SCRIPTURE READING:

Matthew 11:16-30

Read by Joe Zita

¹⁶ "To what can I compare this generation? They are like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling out to others:

¹⁷ "'We played the pipe for you,
and you did not dance;
we sang a dirge,
and you did not mourn.'

¹⁸ For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.' ¹⁹ The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.' But wisdom is proved right by her deeds."

Woe on Unrepentant Towns

²⁰ Then Jesus began to denounce the towns in which most of his miracles had been performed, because they did not repent. ²¹ "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the miracles that were performed in you had been performed in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. ²² But I tell you, it will be more bearable for Tyre and Sidon on the day of judgment than for you. ²³ And you, Capernaum, will you be lifted to the heavens? No, you will go down to Hades. For if the miracles that were performed in you had been performed in Sodom, it would have remained to this day. ²⁴ But I tell you that it will be more bearable for Sodom on the day of judgment than for you."

The Father Revealed in the Son

²⁵ At that time Jesus said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. ²⁶ Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do.

²⁷ "All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸ "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

"THIS IS THE WORD OF THE LORD." **ALL: "THANKS BE TO GOD!"**

CHANCEL CHOIR "Jesus At A Distance" With Praise Band
SERMON: "The Parable of the Children in the Marketplaces" Pastor Sean

*RESPONSE TO THE WORD: "Near to the Heart of God"

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1. There is a place of quiet rest,
near to the heart of God;
a place where sin cannot molest,
near to the heart of God.

2. There is a place of comfort sweet,
near to the heart of God;
a place where we our Savior meet,
near to the heart of God. **[Refrain]**

Refrain:

**O Jesus, blest Redeemer,
sent from the heart of God,
hold us who wait before thee
near to the heart of God.**

3. There is a place of full release,
near to the heart of God;
a place where all is joy and peace,
near to the heart of God. **[Refrain]**

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JOYS AND CONCERNS (Prayer Cards Read)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING INVITATION ***Doxology"UMH #95**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (In Unison)

Loving God, bless these gifts with love.

**Transform lives with our ministries, that your people everywhere
might know your grace, abide in your love, and connect with Christ,
the vine of life. Amen.**

*SENDING:

"Be Thou My Vision"

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1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

2. Be thou my Wisdom,
and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, and I thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

3. Great God of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

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