

Unity Moravian Church

October 4, 2020

Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

THE CONGREGATION GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

“It’s Your Day”

Yiruma

HEARING GOD’S WORD PROCLAIMED

LITURGY

Liturgy of Truth and Light

Dana Myers

Hymn

“Holy Spirit, Truth Divine”

Words: Samuel Longfellow

Tune: ABERYSTWYTH

1. *Holy Spirit, Truth divine, dawn upon this soul of mine;
Word of God and inward light wake my spirit, clear my sight.
Holy Spirit, Love divine, glow within this heart of mine;
Kindle every high desire; perish self in Thy pure fire.*

Lord Jesus, you came to heal our disease. You came to bring light to our darkness.
But, the people loved darkness more than light.

Lord Jesus, you said you came to bring us life in its fullness.
But, the people loved darkness more than light.

Lord Jesus, you came to restore human value.
But, the people loved darkness more than light.

Lord Jesus, you said that the last shall be first, and the least are as good as the greatest.
But, the people loved darkness more than light.

Lord Jesus, you came to reconcile our differences and bring us peace.
But, the people loved darkness more than light.

Your servant, Paul, says that in your love, there is neither Jew nor Gentile, male or female, slave or owner, black or white, rich or poor... hatred ceases when we live in the light of your truth.

But, the people loved darkness more than light.

Lord Jesus, you came to build your church on earth to shine your light.

But, the people loved darkness more than light.

Lord Jesus, you said to us: "You are the salt of the earth! You are the light for the world!"

But, the people loved darkness more than light.

2. *Holy Spirit, Pow'r divine, fill and nerve this will of mine;
Grant that I may strongly live, bravely bear, and nobly strive.
Holy Spirit, Right divine, King within my conscience reign;
Be my Lord, and I shall be firmly bound, forever free.*

THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

John 12: 44 – 50

Dana Myers

Liturgist: The Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SONG OF TRUST

**"Here I Am, Lord"
(Dennis Fort, Donna Shore, Barry Foster)**

Schutte

HYMN

"Jesus Loves Me"

1. *Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.*

Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

2. *Jesus love me still today, walking with me on my way,
wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live.*

Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

TEXT FOR THE DAY

John 14: 8 – 17

THE MESSAGE FOR TODAY

"John's Gospel part 2"

SILENT REFLECTION

INTERLUDE

"Be Thou My Vision"

arr. M. Limbaugh

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

WORSHIP BY GIVING

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CONCERNS AND JOYS FOR THE COMMUNITY, NATION AND WORLD

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

PRAYER RESPONSE “Spirit of God Who Dwells Within My Heart” Hymn 490

*Spirit of God, who dwells within my heart, wean it from sin, through all its pulses move.
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as you are, and make me love you as I ought to love.*

FOLLOWING OUR LAMB INTO THE WORLD

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

HYMN 719 “Be Thou My Vision”

*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.*

*Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son; Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.*

*Riches I heed not, nor man’s empty praise, Thou mine Inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art.*

*High King 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.*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Make Me a Channel of Your Peace” arr. Hayes

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Watchword Text for the Year

*Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people,
may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. II Corinthians 4:15*

In essentials **UNITY**, in non-essentials, **LIBERTY**, in all things, **LOVE!**

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