WORSHIP SERVICE CONGREGATION August 9, 2020

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (from I Corinthians 13)

LEADER: If we speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love,

PEOPLE: We are nothing but noisy gongs or clanging cymbals.

LEADER: If we have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all

knowledge,

PEOPLE: and if we have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love,

we are nothing.

LEADER: If we give all we possess to the poor, and give over our bodies to

hardship so we can boast, but do not have love, we gain nothing.

PEOPLE: Now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of

these is love.

PRAYER

HYMN # 352 O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus
O the deep, deep love of Jesus, vast, unmeasured, boundless, free!
Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of Thy love;
Leading onward, leading homeward to my glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus- spread his praise from shore to shore! How He loves us, ever loves us, changes never, nevermore. How He watches o'er His loved ones, died to call them all His own, How for them He's interceding, watching o'er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, love of every love the best, Tis an ocean vast of blessing, tis a haven sweet of rest. O the deep, deep love of Jesus- tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me; And it lifts me up to glory for it lifts me up to Thee! HYMN The Gift of Love

Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire, And have not love, my words are vain, as sounding brass and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess, and striving so, my love profess, But not be given by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control, our spirits long to be made whole. Let inward love guide every deed, by this we worship, and are freed.

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PRAYER AND PRAISE

HYMN # 78 I Love You, Lord
I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice
To worship You, O my soul, rejoice!
Take joy, my King, in what you hear,
May it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

SCRIPTURE READING I Corinthians 13: 4- 13

⁴Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. ⁸ Love never fails.

But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹ For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰ but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. ¹¹ When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. ¹² For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

¹³ And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

REFLECTION What Does Love Look Like?

HYMN # They'll Know We are Christians By Our Love We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord. And we pray that all unity may one day be restored, And they'll know we are Christians by our love, Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand. And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land, And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side, We will work with each other, we will work side by side. And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride, And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

BENEDICTION