

Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost

October 27th, 2024

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PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP Responsive

Magnify the Lord; exalt God's holy name.

The Lord hears the pleas of the perishing.

Magnify the Lord; exalt God's holy name.

The Lord restores the fortunes of the righteous.

Magnify the Lord; exalt God's holy name.

The Lord redeems the lives of God's servants.

*HYMN "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" UMH # 75

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed UMH # 881

OPENING PRAYER Unison

God, our Healer, give us the courage of blind Bartimaeus, to cry out to you when we are in need; give us the wisdom of Job, to know when we have overreached and our cause is lost; give us the confidence of the psalmist, to sing your praises and magnify your name. Grant us the wisdom, O God, to seek from you what is of real value - what will truly make us well, what will truly make us whole, what will truly give us bliss. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON Unison

God of mystery and blessing, we speak without knowledge, we grasp without looking at the consequences, we boast without cause, we speak comfort without true compassion. Forgive our ignorance, when

we look at what others have without seeing what they have lost. Forgive our self-absorption when we focus on our desires and ignore the needs of others. May we follow the example of Bartimaeus and cry out our need when you draw near. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Since Christ intercedes for us, he is able to save everyone who approaches God through him. Draw near to God through Christ, and walk blameless in God's sight. **Thanks be to God.**

JOYS, CONCERNS AND PASTORAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 10:46-52 (NRSV)

- 46 They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside.
- 47 When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"
- 48 Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"
- 49 Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you."
- 50 So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus.
- 51 Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again."
- 52 Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

MESSAGE

"Jesus, Have Mercy On Me!"

Rev. Dongkue Jee

RESPOND TO THE WORD

* HYMN "Open My Eyes, That I May See" **UMH # 454**
THE LORD'S PRAYER **UMH # 895**

OFFERING

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" **UMH # 95**

*PRAYER OF OFFERING Unison

Mighty God, you restore sight to the blind and bounty to the afflicted; you provide refuge for the lost and freedom for the condemned. Open our mouths to cry out our need and open our hearts to give from our abundance, in Jesus' name, the name above all names. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN "My Hope Is Built" **UMH # 368**

*BENEDICTION Responsive

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

We once were broken, but now are whole.

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

We once were blind, but now we see.

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

We once were lost, but now are found.

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

We once were alone, but now are family.

POSTLUDE

* The offering plate is located at the entrance of the sanctuary. Please feel free to participate.

* Fellowship follows the worship service. Please join us for refreshments and fellowship in the Parlor.



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