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Crossroads UMC Online Worship Order for 07-05-2020

Prelude

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Words of Welcome

Morning Prayer

Hymn

May You Run and Not Be Weary

Reading from the Original Testament Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

The man said, "I am Abraham's servant. The LORD has richly blessed my employer, has made him a great man, and has given him flocks, cattle, silver, gold, men servants, women servants, camels, and donkeys. My employer's wife Sarah gave birth to a son for my employer in her old age, and he's given him everything he owns. My employer made me give him my word: 'Don't choose a wife for my son from the Canaanite women, in whose land I'm living. No, instead, go to my father's household and to my relatives and choose a wife for my son.'

"Today I arrived at the spring, and I said, 'LORD, God of my employer Abraham, if you wish to make the trip I'm taking successful, when I'm standing by the spring and the young woman who comes out to draw water and to whom I say, "Please give me a little drink of water from your jar," and she responds to me, "Drink, and I will draw water for your camels too," may she be the woman the LORD has selected for my employer's son.' Before I finished saying this to myself, Rebekah came out with her water jar on her shoulder and went down to the spring to draw water. And I said to her, 'Please give me something to drink.' She immediately lowered her water jar and said, 'Drink, and I will give your camels something to drink too.' So I drank and she also gave water to the camels. Then I asked her, 'Whose daughter are you?' And she said, 'The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son whom Milcah bore him. I bowed and worshipped the LORD and blessed the LORD, the God of my employer Abraham, who led me in the right direction to choose the granddaughter of my employer's brother for his son. Now if you're loyal and faithful to my employer, tell me. If not, tell me so I will know where I stand either way.'"

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They called Rebekah and said to her, "Will you go with this man?"
She said, "I will go."

So they sent off their sister Rebekah, her nurse, Abraham's servant, and his men. And they blessed Rebekah, saying to her,
"May you, our sister, become
 thousands of ten thousand;
may your children possess
 their enemies' cities."

Rebekah and her young women got up, mounted the camels, and followed the man. So the servant took Rebekah and left.

Now Isaac had come from the region of Beer-lahai-roi and had settled in the arid southern plain. One evening, Isaac went out to inspect the pasture, and while staring he saw camels approaching. Rebekah stared at Isaac. She got down from the camel and said to the servant, "Who is this man walking through the pasture to meet us?"

The servant said, "He's my employer." So she took her headscarf and covered herself. The servant told Isaac everything that had happened. Isaac brought Rebekah into his mother Sarah's tent. He received Rebekah as his wife and loved her. So Isaac found comfort after his mother's death.

Sermon Series

**God's Dysfunctional Family:
"A Biblical Romance"**
Pastor Scott Walters

Hymn

Spirit Song

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

"Our Father Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Announcement

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