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Crossroads UMC Online Worship Order for 09-20-2020

Prelude

**From the Rising of the Sun
FWS# 2040**

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

L: We are summoned to worship by our holy God, who calls us each by name, and gathers us together in the unity of Jesus Christ.

P: From living room and kitchen and even bedroom, we are called into God's presence. Young and old and middle-aged, individuals and families, soft-spoken and outspoken, we hear our names being called to join in worship.

L: Our home today becomes a house of worship to pursue God's vision for all people: unity and joy and faith, expressed through different gifts.

P: Praise the Lord!

Praise

**O How He Loves You and Me
FWS# 2108**

Morning Prayer

We are here, Lord. We come to be with your people, to join them in your praise, and to learn to live with them and with your world in peace. Give us your blessing, we pray, that as we seek to know your will for us, we may live lives worthy to be called "Christian," through your son Jesus, the Christ. Amen.

Reading from the Gospel

Jonah 3:10—4:11

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the Lord and said, "O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own



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country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." And the Lord said, "Is it right for you to be angry?"

Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live." But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." Then the Lord said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

Sermon Series:

Learning to Love our Enemies: "Mercy's Higher Calling"

Pastor Scott Walters

Praise

Baptized In February Dan Collins

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

"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 & Blessing

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