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Crossroads UMC Online Worship 05-30-2021

Prelude

Carly Ochoa

Words of Welcome

Morning Prayer

O God our Father, make us worthy of your trust which you have placed in us. May we have the bravery and devotion which befit these times. As a nation may we have the warm courage of unity and the clear consciousness of seeking tried and precious moral values. As citizens may we have the clean satisfaction that comes from the stern performance of our duty. ...may we build for a world of lasting brother and sisterhood and peace. Amen.

*Franklin Delano Roosevelt (1882-1945)
32nd President of the U.S.*

The Lord's Prayer (*unison*)

Our Father, who 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, forever and ever. Amen.

Praise

I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus
no turning back, no turning back.

**I have Decided to follow Jesus
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The world behind me, the cross before me,
The world behind me, the cross before me,
The world behind me, the cross before me,
no turning back, no turning back.

Though none go with me, still I will follow,
Though none go with me, still I will follow,
Though none go with me, still I will follow,
no turning back, no turning back.



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Gospel Lesson

John 3:1-17

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Sermon

R.S.V.P. Not Needed

Pastor Scott Walters

Commissioning of Habitat for Humanity Servants

Mike Adams, Rod Grant, Dale Hughes, and Bruce Koch

Unison Prayer

Grant, O merciful God, that with malice towards none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as you give us to see the right, we may strive to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds, ...to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting



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**peace among ourselves and with all nations; through Jesus Christ
our Lord.**

Abraham Lincoln (1809-1965)
16th President of the U.S.

Benediction