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Crossroads UMC Worship 11-07-2021

Words of Welcome

Morning Prayer (in unison)

Good and merciful God, your gifts to us are deep and wide and unfathomable. The gift of unconditional love, exemplified by a cruel cross and an empty tomb, is a gift that we cannot fully understand. Yet, it is the gift that draws us to serve both you and one another; that calls us to live selflessly rather than selfishly. You have given us much, for you have given us the gospel, and we are sobered by the responsibility to share your message of hope, joy and love to a world that is hurting. We pray for those today for whom life is a struggle. May we reach out to them as the hands and feet of Christ, for that is what you would have us do. Amen.

Praise

Sent Out In Jesus Name

Original Testament Lesson

Psalm 98

Sing to the LORD a new song because he has done wonderful things! His own strong hand and his own holy arm have won the victory!

The LORD has made his salvation widely known; he has revealed his righteousness in the eyes of all the nations.

God has remembered his loyal love and faithfulness to the house of Israel; every corner of the earth has seen our God's salvation.

Shout triumphantly to the LORD, all the earth! Be happy! Rejoice out loud! Sing your praises!

Sing your praises to the LORD with the lyre—with the lyre and the sound of music. With trumpets and a horn blast, shout triumphantly before the LORD, the king!

Let the sea and everything in it roar; the world and all its inhabitants too.

Let all the rivers clap their hands; let the mountains rejoice out loud altogether before the LORD because he is coming to establish justice on the earth!

The Lord will establish justice in the world rightly; he will establish justice among all people fairly.





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Sermon Sermon Series SERVICE Growing Disciples Pastor Scott Walters

Celebrating & Remembering the Departed Saints Unison Prayer for Departed Saints

Pastor: We give you thanks, O God, for all the saints who ever worshiped you; Whether in brush arbors or cathedrals,

ALL: Weathered wooden churches or crumbling cement meeting houses

Pastor: Where your name was lifted and adored. We give you thanks, O God, for hands lifted in praise:

ALL: Manicured hands and hands stained with grease or soil,

Pastor: Strong hands and those gnarled with age; Holy hands used as wave offerings across the land.

ALL: We thank you, God, for hardworking saints;

Pastor: Whether hard-hatted or steel-booted, Head ragged or aproned, blue-collared or three-piece-suited;

ALL: They left their mark on the earth for you, for us, for our children to come.

Pastor: Thank you, God, for the tremendous sacrifices made by those who have gone before us. Bless the memories of your saints, God.

ALL: May we learn how to walk wisely from their examples of faith, dedication, worship, and love.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Benediction