



August 30, 2020 at 9:30am - 13th Sunday after Pentecost
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ENTRANCE

Prelude

“My Hope Is Built”
Kim Peterson
Glendale UMC, Savage MN

by E. Mote/W. Bradbury

Welcome

Rev. Nate Melcher
Richfield UMC, Minneapolis, MN

Time with Children

Rev. Kate Payton
Glendale UMC, Savage, MN

Gathering Hymn

“This Little Light of Mine”
Living Water Band
Richfield UMC, Minneapolis, MN

Spiritual

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine! x 3
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine! x 3
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine! x 3
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

Centering Prayer

Rev. Jay Jeong
Mounds Park UMC, Saint Paul, MN

Gracious loving God, as we are joining this online worship together with sisters and brothers and congregations, send your heavenly blessings upon all these churches that all their members, as well, may dwell together in unity and love.

Keep far from us all self-will and discord. Imbue your pastors with righteousness and enable them, faithfully, to fulfill their ministry to bring again the outcasts and to seek the lost. And grant to us to receive their ministrations and to use your means of grace that in all our words and deeds we may seek your glory and the advancement of your kingdom.

Throughout this worship, prepare us, and lift us up from our weariness and hopelessness. And strengthen us to be sent to the world as disciples of Jesus Christ. We thank you for your presence and we pray all of this in the precious name of our Savior Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:13-16

[Jesus said to the crowd,] “You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.”

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon “How do we be the light and live hope?” Rev. Laquaan Malachi
“So Many Questions!” Worship Series North UMC, Minneapolis, MN

Reflection Hymn “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”
Centennial UMC: SAP Campus Worship Band
Saint Anthony Park, MN

Prayer of the People Rev. Shawna Horn
Fairmount Avenue UMC, Saint Paul, MN

The LORD's Prayer

**Our God, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

THANKSGIVING

Giving Our Tithes, Offerings, and Ourselves Rev. Whitney Sheridan
Centennial UMC: SAP Campus
Saint Anthony Park, MN

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Offertory “How Can I Keep from Singing” Shaker, arr. Jay Althouse
Hamline UMC Chancel Choir
Dr. David Kozisek, Eileen Miller
Hamline UMC, Saint Paul, MN

Prayer of Gratitude Rev. Mariah Furness Tollgaard
Hamline UMC, Saint Paul, MN

Generous God, we give thanks that over and over your grace sustains us, above and beyond your love provides for us, now and forever your arm steadies us. We give you these gifts, in gratitude, with hope and joy, thankful that you are God over all. Thanks be to God. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

Sending Hymn “Let There Be Peace on Earth” by S. Miller and J. Jackson
Dan Bloomquist and Rev. Jay Jeong
Mounds Park UMC, Saint Paul, MN

Benediction

...And until we meet again, let us live...
in faith, justice, and joy! Amen.

Postlude “Allegro Maestoso” from Sonata II, Op. 65, No. 2 Felix Mendelssohn
Steve Rosenberg
Fairmount Avenue UMC, Saint Paul, MN



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Worship Team:

Ministers: All Members of All Congregations

Liturgists and Original Liturgy: Rev. Shawna Horn, Rev. Jay Jeong, Rev. Laqaan Malachi, Rev. Nate Melcher, Rev. Kate Payton, Rev. Whitney Sheridan, and Rev. Mariah Furness Tollgaard

Musicians:

Steve Rosenberg, Fairmount Avenue UMC

Kim Peterson, Glendale UMC

Hamline UMC Chancel Choir, Dr. David Kozisek, director; Eileen Miller, accompanist, Hamline UMC

Dan Bloomquist and Rev. Jay Jeong, Mounds Park UMC

Living Waters Band (Greg Locke, Rev. Nate Melcher, Devon Olson, Victor Zupanc), Richfield UMC

Centennial UMC: SAP Campus Worship Band (Christopher Becknell, Eric Bjorklund, Ryan Cihlar, Ian Combs, Hannah Petersen, Tucker Petersen), Centennial UMC: SAP Campus

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Your Guide to Online Worship as Richfield United Methodist Church		
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Community Joys and Concerns

Today and throughout this week you are invited to pray for:

- People in need of a loving church.
- Openness to the “conflux moments” of experiencing God.
- The spiritual journey of our fellow MCCI church, Coon Rapids UMC.
- The people, leaders, staff, and clergy of Centennial UMC: Saint Anthony Park Campus, Fairmount Avenue UMC, Glendale UMC, Hamilne UMC, Mounds Park UMC, North UMC, and Richfield UMC.
- The Minnesota Annual Conference and the work of this weekend's session.
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- All who are in physical, emotional, and/or spiritual isolation.
- Public servants, care workers, and behind-the-scenes support people.
- The people of hope who care for those who have none.
- Teachers, students, families, staff, and administrators who look to authorities to help them discern how to responsibly and safely move forward for school this fall.
- All who face challenges of inequities, poverty, loneliness, racism, complex family systems, toxic politics, and all the other pressing issues that are being amplified by the Covid-19 pandemic.
- The children.

Prayers for Healing:

Paula Milani, Marybeth Stull, James Wegscheid, Marylee Fithian, Bonnie Freese, Bev Crandall, Margaret Kersteter, Elaine Peterson, Maxene Schwanke, Liam B., neighbor of Michele Wegscheid, and John Darling

Prayers for Comfort:

Jan Hansen, Hans Olson, father of Dale Olson, and all those in hospice and their families.

Announcements - Community Connections:

- **Next Sunday: Summer worship Series #3, “So Many Questions, Part 2” Continues**
If you have wondered about these topics, be sure to mark your calendar and experience worship. The question next Sunday is, **Does God root for the Twins?**
- Brené Brown Study, Saturdays, 10:30am. Contact [Gail Johnson](#).
- Women’s Bible Study, Tuesdays at 9:30am. Contact [Molly Recko](#).
- Men’s Bible Study, Wednesdays at 9:00am. Contact [Kent Johnson](#).
- Men’s Support Group, Saturdays at 8:30am. Contact [Kent Johnson](#).
- Children’s Ministry, public and sign-up content. Contact [Rev. Hope Hutchison](#).
- Youth Group, various content throughout the summer. Contact [Garrett Johnson](#).
- Pastor Care, by phone or electronically. Contact [Kay Bergeland](#).
- Friends and family who aren’t online can listen to worship live by touchtone phone. Call toll-free at 1.888.650.5835. “Press 1” to opt-in to receive an automatic call on Sundays as worship begins.
- Please keep reaching out to one another, it matters!

Announcements - Campus and Administration:

- In-person worship and gatherings in the building are suspended through 2020 and we continue on an open-ended timeline. You can read the latest statements at richfieldumc.org/statements.
- Campus is closed until further notice, thank you.
- God’s Hands is closed until further notice. No donations at this time, thank you.
- You can still reach out by phone and also to paid staff by email.
- If you have church communications needs, contact [Linda Schmidt](#).
- Your generous giving matters for your church in these unprecedented times. Please give online at richfieldumc.org/give or contact [Kathy Gertsema](#).

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