



September 20, 2020

10:30 Worship

"CROP Walk"

** indicates those who are comfortably able may stand*

*"...O give thanks to God; call upon God's name.
Make known God's deeds among the people..."*

-Psalm 105:1

Gathering Music

Amy Crousore

Welcome and Greetings

Pastor Rick

Prelude

"Sinfona 7"

Amy Crousore
JS Bach

Carrying in the Light of Christ

Abby Dennis

*Call to Worship

(adapted from Psalm 105)

Audrey Lasley

Give thanks to God; call upon God's name!
Make God's deeds known among all people!

**Sing to God; Sing praises to God!
Tell all of God's wonderful works!**

We speak of how God's love can bring salvation to the world;
Let God's name be glorified; Let the hearts of those who seek God rejoice!

**All of Creation expresses God's powerful presence;
Who are we to try to bind God's love?**

We seek God continually and rely on God's strength!
We seek the Peace that God offers in all our ways!

**We are God's Children and we celebrate God's wonderful works!
Come, let us worship God!**

*Opening Hymn

"I'm Gonna Live so God can Use Me"

(insert)

*Opening Prayer

Audrey Lasley

God of provision; You have blessed us with goodness and plenty; you also bless us with the ability to withstand and grow from the challenges life throws our way. Yet in the midst of our blessings we often grumble and complain, embracing fear and false witness instead of the certainty of trusting you. Teach us to put aside the fears of the world that challenge our perception of the reality of your grace; and inspire us to fully realize the many ways you express your love for us. Open our eyes to the miracles that surround us every day; and teach us to point those miracles out to those who refuse to see. We ask these prayers in Jesus' name; Amen.

*Assurance of Blessing Pastor Rick
God's blessings are all around us; yet we are often to occupied by our own self-interests to see them. But even in the midst of this blindness, God continues to bless us, offering us provision and forgiveness. We are all God's children, blessed and beloved, forgiven and free! Praise be to God!

*Prayer Response "Weave"
Weave, weave, weave us together!
Weave us together in unity and love.
Weave, weave, weave us together!
Weave us together, together in love!

Children's Time Pastor Rick
Response "I Have Decided to follow Jesus"

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

Living our Mission "CROP Walk" Mahree Skala

CROP Walk Video- Church World Service

CROP Walk Reflection Pastor Rick

*CROP Walk Hymn "Guide My Feet" NCH #497
Directed by Ed Rollins

Old Testament Lesson: Exodus 16:2-15 Audrey Lasley
In the midst of the Exodus, while the Israelites are wandering in the Wilderness, God hears their complaint and acts out of compassion, providing meat and manna for them; whatever they need, rather than what they have earned.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 20:1-15 Audrey Lasley
Jesus tells the parable of the vineyard workers and creates a tense situation among hearers who all assume themselves to be the harder workers. This tale of God's economy of justice and grace runs counter to our worldly expectations and standards.

Anthem Lilly, Lisa & Pete Jaberg
"Deeper than the Sea"

Sermon: "It's The Economy" Pastor Rick

*Meditation Hymn "All Creatures of our God and King" *(insert)*

Community Prayer & Silent Prayer

The LORD's Prayer

Our Father 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Prayer Response "Grant Us Peace"

**Hear our Prayer, O Lord!
Hear our prayer, O Lord!
Hear our Prayer, O Lord!
And Grant us Thy Peace! A-men!**

Sharing our Announcements of Community Life

Pastor Rick

Presenting our Gifts

"Simple Gifts"

Lucy Smith
Shaker tune

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*Response "For the Fruit of All Creation"

NCH #425

**For the Fruit of all Creation, Thanks be to God!
For God's gifts to every nation, Thanks be to God!
For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
Most of all that love has found us, Thanks be to God!**

*Prayer of Dedication

Audrey Lasley

God of Salvation; you bless us with abundance, and from that abundance we share. Take these gifts and let them be used to help those who have to walk miles to receive food, water, employment, education and the things we take for granted. These gifts symbolize our desire to run the race you have set before us; bless them and multiply them and use them to your will. Amen.

*Benediction

Pastor Rick

*Response: "Let There be Peace on Earth"
**Let there be Peace on Earth and Let it Begin with me!
Let there be Peace on Earth; the Peace that was meant to be!
With God our Creator, Children all are we!
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony!

Let Peace begin with me; let this be the moment now!
With every step I take let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally!
Let there be Peace on Earth; and let it begin with me!**

*Postlude

"Glad Tidings"

Amy Crousore
Thomas Chesterton

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No matter where you are on your faith journey;

No matter your sexual orientation, gender expression or identity;

No matter your race, culture, ethnicity, nationality or politics;

No matter your age, ability, health, relationship status or family structure;

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Nurturing Faith and Spiritual Growth;

Challenging and inspiring everyone with vibrant worship;

Building a supportive church family;

Transforming both the congregation and community

through service and outreach

614 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

With a backbeat G C G Am7 G

1. I'm gon-na live so God can use me
(I'm gon-na live so) (God can

G7 C G7 C Am G C

an - y time and an - y - where
use me,) (yes an - y time) (yes an - y -

G G C G B7

I'm gon-na live so God can use me
where) (I'm gon-na live so)

Em C G A7 D7 G C G

an - y time and an - y - where.
(an - y time,) (yes an - y - where).

2. I'm gonna work...

3. I'm gonna pray...

4. I'm gonna sing...

WORDS: African-American spiritual
MUSIC: African-American spiritual; arr. Bill Thomas, 1994

I'M GONNA LIVE
Irr.

Guide My Feet

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*African-American traditional; alt.**Heb. 12:1-15*

1. Guide	my feet	while I run this race,	guide my feet
2. Hold	my hand	while I run this race,	hold my hand
3. I'm	your child	while I run this race,	I'm your child
4. Stand	by me	while I run this race,	stand by me



Yes, my God.



while I run this race,	guide my feet	while I run this race,
while I run this race,	hold my hand	while I run this race,
while I run this race,	I'm your child	while I run this race,
while I run this race,	stand by me	while I run this race,



Yes, my God.



For I don't want to run this race in vain.



This stanza may be added following stanza 1:
 Wheel with me while I run this race . . .

The words and music of some African-American spirituals have been widely adapted during the twentieth century, especially in the civil rights movement of the 1960s. The alternate words were suggested by a fifth-grade church school class to include those who must "run this race" in a wheelchair.

Tune: GUIDE MY FEET 8.8.8.10.
African-American traditional
 Arr. Joyce Finch Johnson, 1992

All Creatures of Our God and King 22

Unison

1. All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us
 2. O rush-ing wind with voice so strong, you clouds that sail in heav'n a-
 3. O flow-ing wa-ter, pure and clear, make mu-sic for your God to
 4. And all for-giv-en ten-der hearts, for-giv-ing oth-ers, take your

Harmony *Unison*

sing; Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia! O burn-ing sun with gold-en
 long, O praise God, Al-le-lu-ia! O ris-ing morn, in praise re-
 hear, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia! O blaz-ing fire who lights the
 part, sing prais-es, Al-le-lu-ia! You who long pain and sor-row

Refrain (Harmony)

beam, O sil-ver moon with soft-er gleam,
 joice, you lights of eve-ning find a voice, O praise God,
 night, pro-vid-ing warmth, en-hanc-ing sight,
 bear, praise God, who knows your ev-'ry care.

Unison

O praise God, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia!

WORDS: Francis of Assisi, 1225; tr. William H. Draper, 1925, alt.
 MUSIC: Geistliche Kirchengesänge, 1623; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

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 88.44.88 w. refrain