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Prelude #650 O Beauty Ever Ancient Evan O'Donovan

Welcome Elder Al Shipley

Call to Worship Ukoha Kalu

One: You're blessed when you've lost it all.

All: God's kingdom is there for the finding.

One: You're blessed when you're ravenously hungry. **All:** Then you're ready for the table of the Lord.

One: You're blessed when the tears flow freely.

All: Joy comes with the morning.

*Hymn of Praise Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Call to Confession

Silent Prayers of Confession

Unison Confession: *Kathryn Hawker*

All: Blessed are we when we let go of possessions for the kingdom of God unfolds in open places. Woe to us when we gather into barns for soon this life will be over. Blessed are we, who know the ache of hunger for the empty places in body and soul are the fertile soil for new growth. Woe to us, who fill our lives to capacity for we fail to recognize what is missing. Blessed are we, who know sorrow for the ache of love lost is witness to the seed planted. Woe to us, who have yet to know the pain of grief, for the fullness of love is woven with sorrow. Blessed are we, who know scorn for the rejection of humans keeps us mindful of that beyond. Woe to us, who depend on the approval of others for to dance with Spirit appears foolish. Blessed are we, who live in the harmony of life in the Spirit, for we will recognize abundance. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: Abundant grace is available to us all when we offer our hearts in confession. Receive the gift of forgiveness today!

Welcome to Visitors Announcements

Passing of the Peace

(Let us greet one another with a sign of God's peace. At this time, please offer a sign of peace with a word or wave)

Leader: Since Christ has extended to us the peace of God, let us, as his disciples, spread his peace to

others. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us exchange signs of Christ's peace with one another.

*Hymn of Preparation

Faith Begins By Letting Go

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*Affirmation of Faith: Brief Statement of Faith

All: In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer with Lord's Prayer

All: 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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Scripture

Exodus 17:1-7 (pg. 114) Numbers 20:1-11 (pg. 240)

Sermon

Where do we go from here?

Elder Shipley

Offertory Invitation

Our Morning Offering is Received

Offertory Music

*Doxology

We lift our voices,
we lift our hands,
we lift our lives up to You;
We are an offering.
Lord, use our voices;
Lord, use our hands;
Lord, use our lives, they are Yours;
We are an offering.

All that we have,
All that we are,
All that we hope to be,
we give to You, we give to You.
We lift our voices,
We lift our hands,
we lift our lives up to You;
We are an offering, we are an offering.

*Prayer of Dedication

Hymn of Commitment Your Faithfulness, O Lord, Is Sure #42

Blessing

Postlude #542 God Be with You Till We Meet Again Evan O'Donovan