CELEBRATION THROUGH PROCLAMATION

SERMON "What Must I Do?" Pastor Russel Shuluga

CELEBRATION THROUGH COMMITMENT

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Jesus challenged the rich man to sell what he had and give to the poor. He challenges us today to be generous in our giving, trusting God's provision for our lives.

THE LORD'S OFFERING

THE OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY No. 95

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

With open hands and thankful hearts, we offer to you all that is already yours, O Lord. Everything we possess is a gift from you. You so freely give us what we need, and you promise even greater treasures that await us in heaven. Take what we offer and use it for the goodness of your kingdom. Help us share generously with others all that you so graciously give to us. Amen.

CELEBRATION THROUGH SENDING

*BENEDICTION

Pastor: Go and follow Jesus on the pathway of love.

People: We go to share the good news of mercy and grace.

Pastor: Dare to let go.

People: We will find the courage and see what adventures God has in store for us.

Pastor: May the blessings of the Holy One give you courage, for with God, nothing is impossible.

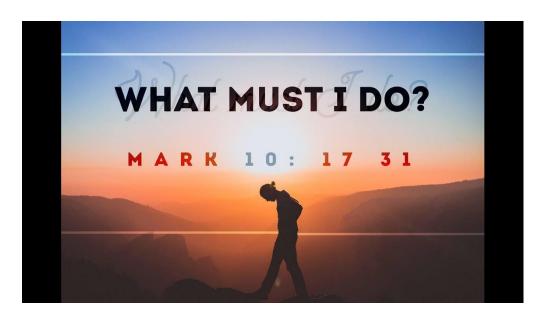


*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Danish Amen" No. 898

*RECESSIONAL HYMN "Where He Leads Me" No. 338, vs. 1 & 4

*POSTLUDE "By The Rivers Of Babylon" M. Dupre

WE TAKE THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD!



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<u>Welcome Visitors</u>: We are pleased you have chosen to worship with us today. If you have questions concerning the service, please feel free to ask a greeter or a person sitting near you. If you do not have a permanent church home, please consider joining us.

OCTOBER 10, 2021
20th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
ORDER OF WORSHIP – 11:15 AM
CELEBRATION THROUGH CENTERING

PRELUDE "I Would Be True"

L. Everson

(As the prelude begins, you are invited to center yourself for worship)

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING WORDS

Pastor: Come, bring your hopes and dreams to Jesus. **People:** We come to him, wanting to follow his ways.

HYMN "The Summons" TFWS No. 2130, vs. 1

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Pastor: The way of God is Love.

People: The way of Christ is Peace and Hope.

HYMN "The Summons" TFWS No. 2130, vs. 2

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Pastor: Open our eyes, Lord, to see the wondrous ways in which you touch our lives.

People: Open our spirits, Lord, to discern what you would have us do to serve you.

HYMN "The Summons" TFWS No. 2130, v. 4

Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

CELEBRATION THROUGH ADORATION

*OPENING HYMN & BRINGING FORTH THE LIGHT "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" No. 400

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: The Kingdom of God is at hand.

People: We want to enter this kingdom.

Pastor: The mercy of God is made known.

People: We want to receive this mercy.

Pastor: The grace of God is abundant for all.

People: We praise you, O God, for your compassion and your love. Accept our grateful praise as we

come to worship you today.

OPENING PRAYER

Lord, you have called us here this day for healing, hope, and transformation. As we listen to the Scriptures, pray our prayers, sing our hymns, and hear the words of wisdom, open our hearts to hear your claim on our lives; that we may fully and joyfully serve you. AMEN

INTROIT "Take My Life, and Let It Be" No. 399, vs. 1 & 3

CELEBRATION THROUGH PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN OF PRAYER "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" No. 452, v. 1

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" No. 452, v. 2

CELEBRATION THROUGH THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Pastor: O Lord, open our eyes, our ears, our minds, and our hearts.

People: that we might behold wondrous things out of your word.

CHORAL RESPONSE "Thy Word" No. 601 (Refrain only)

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path"

FIRST LESSON Hebrew 4:12-16

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Alleluia" No. 186

"Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Pastor: The Lord be with you, **People:** And also with you.

Pastor: A reading from the Gospel of St. Mark

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

*THE GOSPEL IS READ Mark 10:17-31

*THE GOSPEL RESPONSE

Pastor: The Gospel of the living Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

*GLORIA PATRI No. 70

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS