

S O U L
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First United Methodist Church
Pastor Chris Hardy

October 6, 2019
Our Mission: to love God and love others
Sermon Series: Soul Reset

Greeting & Announcements

Gathering Meditation

"Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they find rest in thee."

- Augustine of Hippo, North Africa, 4th century

Prelude & Lighting of the Candles

O Lord, we gather eager to feel your healing touch for our wounded and weary souls. Speak your Word of joy in our souls this day, for we pray in Christ's name. **Amen.**

*Call to Worship

Leader: "Come to me," Jesus invites.

People: We come to you.

Leader: "Come to me, if you are tired."

People: We come to you.

Leader: "Come to me, if you carry burdens."

People: We come to you.

Leader: "Come, and discover rest for your souls."

Special Music

"You Say"

Lauren Daigle

Opening Prayer

Lord of peace and hope, be with us as we hear your words of inspiration and healing. Reset us – reset our souls – as we seek to be witnesses to your redeeming love. Amen.

Children's Message

Pastor Chris

† Coins for Kids

*Hymn

"Be Thou My Vision"

#451

Reading of Holy Scripture

Matthew 11:28-30 (The Message)

Message

"Freely and Lightly"

Pastor Chris

*Invitational Hymn

"Come to Me"

#3094

Confession & Pardon

Merciful and loving God, we are so grateful for your redeeming love for each one of us. We confess that there have been times of doubt in our spirits. We confess that when the times of difficulties are upon us, we don't always believe that you will take our burdens. We feel we have to always be in control, trying to demand the desired outcome. Help us to place our trust in you. Open our hearts and spirits again to your healing powers. For we pray these things in the name of Jesus, the one we desire to keep company with, who will teach us to live freely and lightly. Amen.

Hear the good news, dear friends! Jesus releases us from our burdens. Place your whole trust in his love. **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

*Passing of the Peace

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #95

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

As you have received each one of us, O Lord, receive also these gifts that we offer to you. May your love be made known through ministries of peace, hope, and justice. Amen.

*Communion Hymn "Fill my Cup, Lord" #3093

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

With hearts filled with joy, we bring our praise to you, God of Rest. On the first morning of creation, you whispered of peace, and the chaos was stilled. You walked softly through the grasses of the earth and all creation sang of your goodness.

Created to find our peace with you, our desire to be in control led us into an existence of wandering and rebellion against you. Prophets spoke and angels sang to invite us home, but our stubborn pride only grew stronger. When the burden of sin became too great for your heart, you sent Jesus to carry it for us.

With those who have found their rest in you, with those who long for their burdens to be lifted, we join in signing your praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. He modeled the life of self-denial and service; seeing us weighed down with the burdens of sin and death, he picked up his cross, carried it to Calvary, and gave up his life so that we may have ours.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection, you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us he took the bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said, "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at the heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.
Amen.

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 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.

†Sacrament of Holy Communion

Communion Song "Come To The Table" Sidewalk Prophets

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Let us rest our burdens on the Resurrected Christ. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Hymn**

"Lord of the Dance"

#261

***Postlude**

*Please stand if you are able

†Each Sunday our children will be accepting coin donations that will benefit a ministry or project of their choosing.

✚A second offering will be received benefiting the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

†Communion will be served by intinction. The United Methodist Church celebrates an open table and all are welcome to receive God's gift of grace.

Today's bulletins are sponsored by Pat Koshko
in memory of Dave Koshko

Fill My Cup, Lord

1. Like the wom-an at the well I was seek-ing for
 2. There are mil-lions in this world who are crav-ing the
 3. So, my neigh-bor, if the things this world gave you leave

things that could not sat-is-ify; and then I heard my Sav-ior
 pleas-ure earth-ly things af-ford; but none can match the won-drous
 hun-gers that won't pass a-way, my bless-ed Lord will come and

speak-ing: "Draw from my well that nev-er shall run dry."
 treas-ure that I find in Je-sus Christ my Lord,
 save you, if you kneel to him and hum-bly pray:

Refrain

Fill my cup, Lord, I lift it up, Lord! Come and

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FILL MY CUP
 (w/ with Refrain)

quench this thirst- ing of my soul; bread of heav- en, feed me 'til I

want no more — fill my cup, fill it up and make me whole!

Come to Me

3094

Come to me, come to me, weak and heav- y lad- en, —
lad- en, lad- en;

lad- en; —

trust in me, lean on me. I will give you rest. —

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MUSIC: John L. Bell

COME TO ME
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