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**Glen Echo Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
September 6, 2020**

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements
Wave to Your Neighbors & Flash Your Headlights in Greeting
Introit

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Rev. Dawn Ingram

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God loves us and bathes us with grace, feeds us with mercy, and forgives our sins.
All: **Confident of the love of God, let us worship our Creator.**

HYMN OF PRAISE “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

**Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.**

**Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

**Summer and winter and springtime and harvest
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.**

**Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

INVOCATION

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 119:33-40

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, and I will observe it to the end. Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart. Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it. Turn my heart to your decrees, and not to selfish gain. Turn my eyes from looking at vanities; give me life in your ways. Confirm to your servant your promise, which is for those who fear you. Turn away the disgrace that I dread, for your ordinances are good. See, I have longed for your precepts; in your righteousness give me life.

PRAYER HYMN

“There Is a Balm in Gilead”

**There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole;
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.**

**Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work's in vain,
But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.
There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole;
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.**

**Don't ever feel discouraged, for Jesus is your friend;
And if you lack for knowledge he'll ne'er refuse to lend.
There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole;
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.**

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

SECOND LESSON

Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

SERMON

“Armor of Light”

Rev. Dawn Ingram

HYMN OF PREPARATION

“Trust and Obey”

**When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word,
What a glory he sheds on our way!
While we do his good will, he abides with us still,
And with all who will trust and obey.
Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.**

**But we never can prove the delights of his love
Until all on the altar we lay;
For the favor he shows, for the joy he bestows,
Are for them who will trust and obey.
Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.**

Invitation to Commune

Communion Sentences

One: Laying aside the works of darkness, we live in the light of Christ. We have gathered in Christ's name, and he is among us, full of grace and truth.

All: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and lifted to new life. Thanks be to God.**

Prayer of Consecration

(Please eat and drink the communion food that you brought from home.)

HYMN OF DEDICATION “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.**

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE: Honk if you love Jesus!

POSTLUDE

(Please look for the large plastic tubs in which to place your offering.)
(Portions of today's worship service were adapted from *Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion*; Kimberly Bracken Long, Editor.)

NEWS IN THE PEWS

*From Marie: “I am using this way to thank each of you who sent birthday greetings to George. He enjoyed the cards so much. Your thoughtfulness is much appreciated. It brightened his birthday to know you were thinking of him. Thanks again.”

*The Bob Davenport Memorial Produce Table is set up on the front lawn. Folks are invited to bring extra food from their gardens and place the items on the table. Members of the congregation are welcome to come to the table (while maintaining safe physical distances from each other) and take the items that you need. If you can, please put a donation in the jar. All donations will be given to the DMARC Food Pantry.

*Committee Chairs, please email your 2021 Budget requests to Terri by October 4th, which is the first Sunday in October.

*Even though the 2020 Beavertdale Parade has been cancelled, we will have a chance to celebrate it anyway! On Sunday, September 20th, you are invited to come to Drive-In Church in decorated cars. The theme is “Hope Floats.” Let Pastor Dawn or the Worship Team know if you would like to drive around the block after the service.

*The 52nd Annual Des Moines Area Hunger Hike is somewhat different. Walk, bike, or hike sometime during the week of October 4th-11th, and if you’d like, join a Facebook Live event on Sunday, October 11, 2020, at 1:30 PM. If you would like to contribute to the Hunger Hike through Glen Echo, please make out your check to the church, and write “Hunger Hike” on the memo line.

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