

MBC Worship Service - September 6th, 2020

Call to Worship

There is none like you, O Lord,
nor are there any works like yours.

**All the nations you have made shall come
and bow down before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name.**

**For you are great and do wondrous things,
you alone are God.**

—from Psalm 86:8-10

Christ Is Enough

<https://youtu.be/o7hy6WBI7TM>

Call to Confession

We know that nothing is able to separate us
from the love of God in Jesus Christ.

Let us in freedom confess the wrong we have done.

—based on Romans 8:39

Prayer of Confession

**O God of shalom,
we have built up walls to protect ourselves from our enemies,
but those walls also shut us off from receiving your love.
Break down those walls.
Help us to see that the way to your heart
is through the reconciliation of our own hearts with our enemies.
Bless them and us,
that we may come to grow in love for each other and for you,**

through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

This is the message we have heard from God
and proclaim to you,
that God is light and in God there is no darkness at all.
If we walk in the light, as God is in the light,
we have fellowship with one another,
and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

—from 1 John 1:5, 7

Oceans Will Part

<https://youtu.be/l7o2n3V8JHY>

Responsive Reading - Psalm 103:6-14

The Lord works righteousness
and justice for all who are oppressed.
He made known his ways to Moses,
his acts to the people of Israel.
**The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**
He will not always chide,
nor will he keep his anger forever.
**He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.**
For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
**as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.**
As a father shows compassion to his children,

so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

**For he knows our frame;
he remembers that we are dust.**

Oh My Shepherd (Children's Song)

<https://youtu.be/m6eJXXSpNvk>

Sermon

Text: Philippians 1:27-30

Title: Citizens of Christ

Big Idea: We are the citizens of a suffering king.

Outline: 1. Context, Context, Context

2. The Text in Context
3. Christ is the Context
4. Our Context

Invitation to Communion

Hear the words of the institution

of the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ:

The Lord Jesus, on the night of his arrest, took bread,
and after giving thanks to God,

he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,

“Take, eat. This is my body, given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.”

In the same way he took the cup, saying,

“This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood,
shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it,

do this in remembrance of me.”

Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup,

you proclaim the saving death of the risen Lord until he comes.
With thanksgiving, let us offer God our grateful praise.
—based on 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Eternal God,
you have graciously accepted us
as living members of your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the sacrament of his body and blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart,
through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

I Stand Amazed

<https://youtu.be/ue8ZCAc9xQ8>

Benediction

As we go, know that we go
with the love of God the Father,
the grace of God the Son,
and the fellowship of God the Spirit.
Amen.