

## MBC Worship Service - June 20, 2021

### Call to Worship

Come, bow down and worship,  
kneel to the Lord, our Maker.

**This is our God, our shepherd,  
we are the flock led with care.**

—Psalm 95:6-7

### Call to Confession

The psalmist models a transparent faith with these words:

Search me, O God, and know my heart;  
test me and know my thoughts.

See if there is any wicked way in me,  
and lead me in the way everlasting.

We express our longing for God's leading  
by our own transparent confession.

—based on Psalm 139:23-24

### Prayer of Confession

Lord, you showed us true humility by becoming one of us,  
**yet too often we practice pride.**

You cried alongside your friends and for the city of Jerusalem,  
**yet too often we rush past the pain of others and are careless about our cities.**

You loved those who were weak, despised, or cast out,  
**yet too often we love those who are strong, respected, or popular.**

You freely forgave and healed,  
**yet too often we hold grudges and cause pain.**

You lived a perfectly holy life,

**yet too often we do not yearn for righteousness.**

You prayed that we who believe in you should be united with each other and you,

**yet too often we focus on the differences that separate us from other believers.**

You were mocked, whipped, and even killed for us,

**yet too often we deny you.**

You call us to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world,

**yet too often we blend into or hide from our culture.**

**Forgive us, Lord, so that we will shine with your glory. Amen.**

## Assurance of Pardon

Hear these comforting words:

If you repent and believe in God's redeeming mercy,  
your sins are forgiven.

Trust in God's promises and begin anew your life  
with God and all people  
in the name of Jesus Christ.

## Responsive Reading Psalm 8

**O Lord, our Lord,**

**how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

You have set your glory above the heavens.

Out of the mouth of babies and infants,  
you have established strength because of your foes,  
to still the enemy and the avenger.

**When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,**

**the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,  
what is man that you are mindful of him,  
and the son of man that you care for him?**

Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings  
and crowned him with glory and honor.

You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;

you have put all things under his feet,

all sheep and oxen,

and also the beasts of the field,

the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea,

whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

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**how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

### Sermon: Water Into Wine

Text: John 2:1-11

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Kevin Livingston

### 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.