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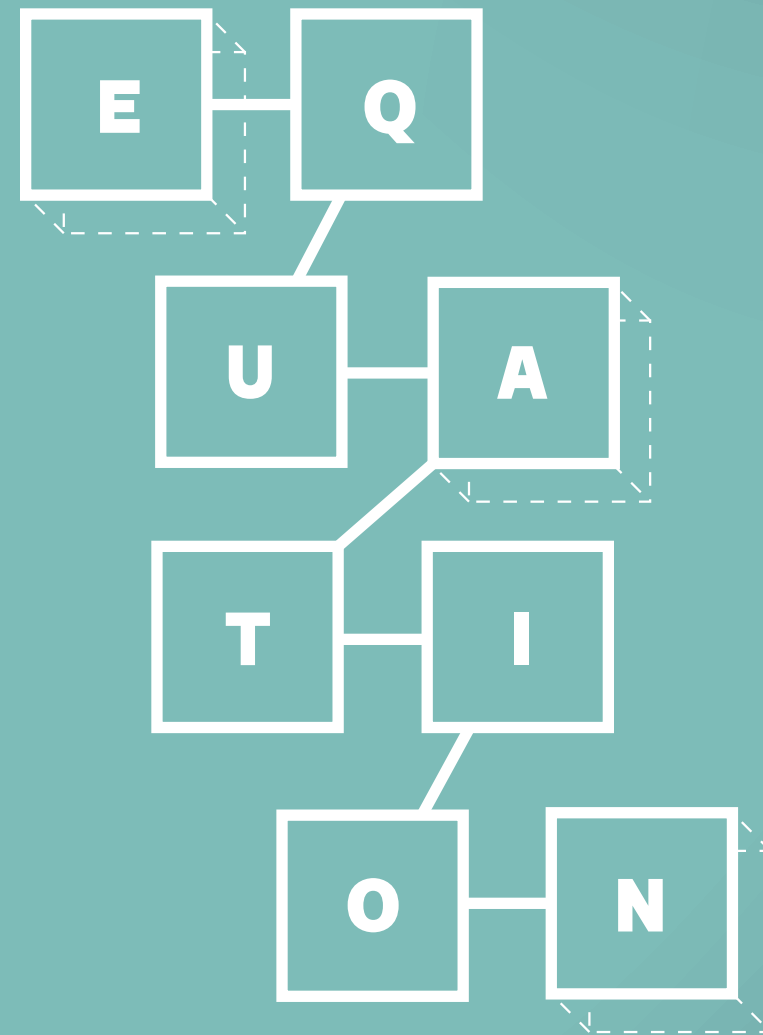
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MORNING WORSHIP

October 15, 2017

8:45 and 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Gavotte* Samuel S. Wesley
John Gearhart, Organist

INTROIT *I Will Sing Unto the Lord* John Ness Beck
Sanctuary Choir
Dr. Terry Morris, Director of Music

THE GATHERING Courtney Hutchins
Downtown Children's Director

*GREETING

*HYMN *Marching to Zion* #733
Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known;
Join in a song with sweet accord,
Join in a song with sweet accord
And thus surround the throne,
And thus surround the throne.

Refrain

We're marching to Zion,
Beautiful, beautiful Zion;
We're marching upward to Zion,
The beautiful city of God.

Let those refuse to sing who never knew our God;
But children of the heavenly King,
But children of the heavenly King
May speak their joys abroad,
May speak their joys abroad.

Repeat Refrain

The hill of Zion yields a thousand sacred sweets
Before we reach the heavenly fields,
Before we reach the heavenly fields,
Or walk the golden streets,
Or walk the golden streets.

Repeat Refrain

Then let our songs abound, and every tear be dry;
We're marching through Emmanuel's ground,
We're marching through Emmanuel's ground,
To fairer worlds on high,
To fairer worlds on high.

Repeat Refrain

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AT 11:00 Rev. Andy Nixon
With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround Wesley Alan Siesennop with a community of love and forgiveness that he may grow in his trust of God and be found faithful in his service to others. We will pray for him, that he may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life eternal.

SUNG RESPONSE *I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry*

"I was there to hear your borne cry,
I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized,
To see your life unfold."

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Bill Allen

THE WORD IN SONG *Rise Up, O Men of God* arr. Kenneth Jennings
Sanctuary Choir
*Rise up, O men of God! Have done with lesser things;
Give heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the King of kings.
Rise up, O men of God! His kingdom tarries long;
Bring in the day of brotherhood and end the night of wrong.
Rise up, O men of God! The church for you doth wait;
Her strength unequal to her task; rise up, and make her great!
Lift high the Cross! Tread where His feet have trod;
As brothers of the Son of Man, rise up, O men of God!*

*THE WORD IN SCRIPTURE 2 Timothy 3:10-17
This is the Word of the Lord! **Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE 8:45: Rev. Ann Spears
Equation 11:00: Rev. Andy Nixon

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* \$452
My faith looks up to Thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine!
Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away,
O let me from this day be wholly thine!

May Thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire!
As Thou hast died for me, O may my love to Thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!

While life's dark maze I tread,
And griefs around me spread, be Thou my guide;
Bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray from Thee aside.

When ends life's transient dream,
When death's cold, sullen stream shall o'er me roll;
Blest Savior, then in love, fear and distrust remove;
O bear me safe above, a ransomed soul!

FAITHFUL GIVING Rev. Ann Spears

THE WORD IN SONG *I Thank My God for You* Joseph M. Martin
Sanctuary Choir
This anthem is dedicated to Mary Marriott to honor her long and faithful service to the FMH music ministry.
*I thank my God for you each time I think of you.
Each time I pray for you, I'm filled with thanksgiving.
For every word and deed, for helping those in need,
I thank the Lord for you and give Him the glory.
And even when we are apart, you are always in my heart.*

*We are bonded by God's Holy Spirit for we are one in God's embrace,
One in love's unfailing grace, we give voice to one great alleluia.
Alleluia, Oh, Alleluia. I give thanks.
I thank my God for you each time I think of you.
Each time I pray for you, I'm filled with thanksgiving.
And when the day is done, and every race is run,
God's perfect grace will bring us home.
We will be together forever and ever, ever and evermore.
I thank my God.*

INVITATION 8:45: Rev. Ann Spears
11:00: Rev. Andy Nixon

*HYMN *O Jesus, I Have Promised* #396
O Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end;
Be Thou forever near me, my Master and my friend.
I shall not fear the battle if Thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway if Thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel Thee near me! The world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear;
My foes are ever near me, around me and within;
But Jesus, draw Thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear Thee speaking in accents clear and still,
Above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will.
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen, Thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow Thee
That where Thou art in glory there shall Thy servant be.
And Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.

*SENDING FORTH Rev. Bill Allen
As you go from here into the week ahead, keep your eyes open for God,
watch His works;
Be alert for signs of His presence, for He is God; our God, in charge of the whole earth.
And He remembers His Covenant – for a thousand generations He's been as good as His word.
So go with confidence and joy, knowing that God goes with you.

POSTLUDE *Trumpet Allemande* Anthony Holborne
John Gearhart, Organist

* Please stand, as you are able.

ALTAR FLOWERS
The flowers on the altar today are given in celebration of the birthday of Jim Hamilton.

ACOLYTES
8:45: Adam Sandoval & Givens Miller
11:00: Amanda Corbett & Ryan Willis

CRUCIFER
8:45: Tommy Ratliff
11:00: Pattie Allen