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 Together at **1pm each day** as we pray together
 for Messiah, community and world.

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Energized by Worship, we reflect God's Love in the community with acts of service that positively transform lives.

Messiah October 18, 2020
 "Faith For Every Day"

WELCOME

Oh Happy Day: Bruce Henry

**(Oh Happy Day) Oh Happy Day (Oh Happy Day)
 Oh Happy Day When Jesus washed,
 Oh, when he washed, When Jesus washed, He washed the sins away.
 Aw happy day (Repeat from beginning)**

**He taught me how to watch, fight and pray, fight and pray.
 And live rejoicing ev'ry day, ev'ry day.**

**(Oh Happy Day) Oh Happy Day (Oh Happy Day) Oh Happy Day
 (When Jesus washed, Oh when he washed,
 When Jesus washed, He washed my sins away.)
 Oh Happy Day (Oh Happy Day)
 Oh Happy Day He taught me how to watch, fight and pray,
 Fight and pray. And live rejoicing ev'ry day, ev'ry day. Oh Happy Day . . .**

The Grace and Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God and Fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

CALL TO WORSHIP

ALL: Praise the LORD!

L: Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty firmament!

P: Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his surpassing greatness!

L: Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!

P: Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!

L: Praise him with clanging cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

P: Let everything that breathes praise the LORD!

ALL: Praise the LORD!

Opening Ourselves to God and to One Another

Pastor: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Most Merciful God,

Congregation: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Open the Eyes of My Heart: Steve Faison

**Open the eyes of my heart, Lord. Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You, I want to see You. Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
Open the eyes of my heart. I want to see You, I want to see You**

[Chorus]

**To see You high and lifted up. Shinin' in the light of Your glory
Pour out Your power and love. As we sing holy, holy, holy**

[Verse]

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I want to see You, I want to see You. Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
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HEARING THE WORD

FIRST READING

(SEE INSERT) 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Louise Britts

GOSPEL

Matthew 22:15-22

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" ²¹They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Good News of Jesus Christ **C: Praise to you O Christ**

SERMON

Pastor Tom Gustafson

Hymn on next page

The Road To You

The Road to You: Rachel Holder Henning

Open my eyes to clarity. Open my heart to understand.
My troubles doors are closing all around, my Lord.
Guide me through them, take my hand.
Open my lips to questions, open my ears to your truth
When so many roads to choose from just confuse me, my Lord.
Keep me looking til I find the road to you.
Open my arms to your children, Open my mind to my soul.
And when its time to use my life to serve the greater life .
Open my eyes to clarity. Open my heart to understand.
My troubles doors are closing all around, my Lord.
Guide me through them, take my hand.
Open my lips to questions, open my ears to your truth
When so many roads to choose from just confuse me, my Lord.
Keep me looking til I find the road to you.
Open my arms to your children, Open my mind to my soul.
And when its time to use my life to serve the greater life .
Lord show me the way, let me know.
Open my lips, Lord I want to ask a question.
Open my ears, I want to know the truth.
When so many roads to choose from just confuse me, my Lord,
Keep me looking til I find the road to you
When there's so many roads to choose from, oh they just confuse me, my
Lord, Keep me looking til I find the road to you.
Yes, I will keep looking, til I find the road to you.

APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the
forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting AMEN

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to
their needs.

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 and ever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Benediction: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

THANKS TO:

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Children's Sermon: Pastor Louise Britts

Sermon: Pastor Tom Gustafson

Shackles: Deb Brown

Take the shackles off my feet so I can dance
I just want to praise you. I just want to praise You.
You broke the chains now I can lift my hands
And I'm gonna praise you. I'm gonna praise you

In the corners of mind. I just can't seem to find a reason to believe
That I can break free. Cause I've been down for so long
Feel like the hope is gone. But as I lift my hands, I understand
That I should praise you through each circumstance

Everything that could go wrong. All went wrong at one time
So much pressure fell on me. I thought I was gon lose my mind
But I know you want to see. If I will hold on through these trials
But I need you to lift this load. Cause I can't take it anymore

Been through the fire and through rain. Bound in every kind of way
But God has broken every chain. So let me go right now

Take the shackles off my feet so I can dance
I just want to praise you. I just want to praise you
You broke the chains now I can lift my hands
And I'm gonna praise you. I'm gonna praise you

Take the shackles off my feet so I can dance
I just want to praise you. I just want to praise you
You broke the chains now I can lift my hands
And I'm gonna praise you. I'm just want to praise you.

Unscramble the letters to find the words in our

Pentecost Anagram

Word List:

disciples, fiftieth, heaven, languages,
offering, power, presence, sounds, Spirit,
symbolize



aechnv _____

eoprw _____

ceenprs _____

effhiitt _____

dnossu _____

oegglnsu _____

effginor _____

beilmosyz _____

cdeiilpss _____

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AS YOU LEAVE TODAY, please take a moment to meet, greet and shake hands with some-
one new or someone you'd like to know better.
WHEN THE WORSHIP IS OVER, THE SERVICE BEGINS!