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Second Sunday
August 13, 2023
11:00 A.M.

The Rev. Dr. Richard Allen Farmer,
Pastor-Teacher

Lay Leader: Cleveland Robinson Worship Leader: Beryl Lindsay
Pianist: Paul Settles Drums: Ben Wilkinson
Percussion: Sam Jones

COMMUNITY NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

+CALL TO WORSHIP (*from Psalm 72*) **Lay Leader**
Let every creature rise and bring the highest honor to our King.
Angels descend with songs again and earth repeat the loud
AMEN.

OPENING HYMN **No. 37**
Great is Thy Faithfulness

+ LITANY FOR EDUCATION & SCHOOLS

+PRAYER OF ASSURANCE **Lay Leader**
Lord ever watchful and faithful, we look to You to be
our defense and we lift our hearts to know Your help
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OFFERING OF PRAISE
*I See the Lord
Break Through*

+PASTORAL PRAYER **Pastor Lee**

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS **Pastor Lee**

GRATEFUL GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Text and online giving available. See the website for information.

OFFERTORY **Praise Band**

OFFERTORY RESPONSE
Doxology

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

(Children ages 4 through 5th grades are dismissed to class)

+SCRIPTURE READING

If you are able, please stand for the reading of the Word of God.

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

Reader: *The Word of the Lord*
Response: *Thanks be to God*

SERMON **Pastor Corey Lee**
"War of the Worlds"

MOMENT OF REFLECTION/CALL TO COMMITMENT

CLOSING HYMN **Hymn No. 439**
He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought!

BENEDICTION People: Amen

POSTLUDE

WHEN THE GATHERING ENDS, THE SERVICE BEGINS.
GO IN PEACE, TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD.

*Hymn= Hymns for the Living Church.
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OPENING HYMN

No. 37

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.

Refrain:

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.

Refrain

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow—
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Refrain

Thomas O. Chislom

I SEE THE LORD

I see the Lord seated on the throne, exalted
And the train of His robe
Fills the temple with glory.
And the whole earth is filled,
And the whole earth is filled,
And the whole earth is filled with His glory.
(Repeat)

Chorus:

Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy,
Holy is the Lord!
Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy,
Holy is the Lord of Lords!

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BREAK THROUGH

Break through, break through all my doubts.
Break through, break through all my fears.
Break through
That I may worship You.
Break through, break through all my pain.
Break through, all my guilt and my shame.
Break through
Like only You can do.

Chorus:

You are brighter than my darkest night,
Stronger than my toughest fight.
Just one touch from You, my King, my Friend,
And I'll never be the same again.

Break through. (4X)

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HE LEADETH ME, O BLESSED THOUGHT

He leadeth me, O blessed thought!
O words with heav'nly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where'er I be,
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain:

He leadeth me, He leadeth me!
By His own hand He leadeth me!
His faithful foll'wer I would be,
For by His hand He leadeth me.

Sometimes 'mid scenes of deepest gloom,
Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,
By waters still, o'er troubled sea,
Still 'tis His hand that leadeth me. (Refrain)

Lord, I would clasp Thy hand in mine,
Nor ever murmur nor repine;
Content, whatever lot I see,
Since 'tis my God that leadeth me. (Refrain)

And when my task on earth is done,
When by Thy grace the vict'ry's won,
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee,
Since God through Jordan leadeth me. (Refrain)

Joseph H. Gilmore

LITANY FOR EDUCATION & SCHOOLS

Worship Leader: Will the teachers, school administrators, counselors, school volunteers, support staff, cafeteria workers, school bus drivers, and all others who work in our schools, who are able, please stand at this time?

Lay Leader: Today we remember the children and youth of this congregation and those involved in their education. The call to be involved in education is a high calling. Those who teach our children help shape the future. We give thanks to a gracious God for the teachers, school administrators, counselors, school volunteers, support staff, cafeteria workers, school bus drivers and all others in our congregation who work in our schools.

People: We celebrate your calling and pledge to support you and others in our communities who are involved in the education of children and youth. (Educators may be seated)

Worship Leader: As we recognize those who teach in schools, we recognize those who teach at home as well. Will parents or guardians of our children and youth in school who are able, please stand?

Lay Leader: Education involves a partnership between school, home, and community. The support of parents and guardians is essential to a child's success. This morning we recognize you for the support you give the students in your home. We hold in prayer all those in this congregation who have children and youth in school and pray that all homes will be a place where learning is valued, and encouragement offered.

People: We pledge our support to parents and guardians. We pray that our ministries will encourage and strengthen those in our church families who provide care for children. (Parents and guardians may be seated)

Worship Leader: At this time, I would like to invite our children in preschool, kindergarten, elementary, our youth in junior high, high school, and college, if you are able, to please stand.

Lay Leader: Your church family believes that each of you is a gift from God filled with potential and possibility. We pray that as you learn and grow you will develop caring hearts and minds that think clearly. We believe in you and care about your education.

People: As your faith community, we pledge to be with you on your educational journey. We affirm that each of you is a precious gift from God. We will do all that we are able to ensure that your schools are positive places filled with hope and have the resources necessary for learning. (Children and youth may be seated)

Lay Leader: Let us pray- Gracious God, we lift up to You all those involved in education in this community and in all the communities in our nation and world. Guide us, great God, that we know the best way to show our interest and support for our students, teachers, and all those involved in education.

People: We pray for wisdom and strength to make a positive difference in the lives of those in school. We pray for courage to explore new ways of supporting the people and institutions that teach our children and youth. We pray in the name of the great teacher, Jesus. Amen.

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