



Living by Faith, Known by Love, A Voice of Hope



First Church in Windsor, UCC
Livestream Worship

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Social Justice in the Bible Sunday, Part II

Prelude

Heart of a Shepherd

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Welcome

Introit

Lift Every Voice and Sing

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**Lift every voice and sing,
till earth and heaven ring,
ring with the harmony of liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise,
high as the listening skies,
let it resound loud as the rolling sea.**

Call to Worship

One: Come, you that are blessed by God, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world;

Two: **For I was hungry, and you gave me food.**

One: I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink.

Two: **I was a stranger and you welcomed me.**

One: I was naked and you gave me clothing.

Two: **I was sick and you took care of me.**

One: I was in prison and you visited me.

Two: **Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."**

Hymn

Give Me Jesus

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**In the morning when I rise,
in the morning when I rise,
in the morning when I rise,
give me Jesus.**

**Chorus: Give me Jesus, give me Jesus,
you may have all this world,
give me Jesus.**

**I hear my mother say,
I heard my mother say,
I heard my mother say,
“Give me Jesus.”**

Chorus

**At midnight was my cry,
at midnight was my cry,
at midnight was my cry,
“Give me Jesus.”**

Chorus

**Oh, when I come to die,
oh, when I come to die,
oh, when I come to die
give me Jesus.**

Chorus

Prayer of Invocation

Gracious God, we thank you for all the good things with which you fill our lives, but most of all for the vision of peace and justice and freedom in Christ that draws us into the future. May we be your people in the world, in word and deed, in spirit and in truth. May we not be play-actors, but people who show we truly care, like Jesus Christ, whose life itself was love. Amen.

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Morning Prayer

Silent Prayer
Prayers of the People

Prayer Response

Just a Closer Walk with Thee
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**Just a closer walk with thee,
Grant it, Jesus, this my plea,
Daily walking close to thee:
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.**

Scripture

Exodus 22:21-23

²¹You shall not wrong or oppress a resident alien, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt. ²²You shall not abuse any widow or orphan. ²³If you do abuse them, when they cry out to me, I will surely heed their cry.

Sermon

Pastor Nicole

“Do Not Oppress”

Hymn

We'll Build a Land

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**We'll build a land where we bind up the broken,
we'll build a land where the captives go free,
where the oil of gladness dissolves all mourning.
Oh, we'll build a promised land that can be.**

**Chorus: Come build a land where sisters and brothers,
anointed by God, may then create peace.
Where justice shall roll down like waters,
and peace like an ever flowing stream.**

**We'll build a land where we bring the good tidings
to all the afflicted and all those who mourn.
And we'll give them garlands instead of ashes.
Oh, we'll build a land where peace is born.**

Chorus

**Come, build a land where the mantles of praises
resound from the spirits once faint and once weak.
Where like oaks of righteousness stand her people.
On, come build the land, my people, we seek.**

Chorus

Announcements

Benediction

Postlude

Sheep May Safely Graze by J.S. Bach

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