

First CHURCH

First United Methodist Church of Boulder

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10:30 am Worship

Sunday, January 31, 2021

WORDS FOR MEDITATION

My joy is gone; grief is upon me;
my heart is sick within me.
Behold, the cry of the daughter of my people
from the length and breadth of the land:
“Is the Lord not in Zion?
Is her King not in her?”

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“The harvest is past, the summer is ended,
and we are not saved.”
For the wound of the daughter of my people is my heart wounded;
I mourn, and dismay has taken hold on me.
Is there no balm in Gilead?
Is there no physician there?
Why then has the health of the daughter of my people
not been restored?

~ Jeremiah 8:18–22

WELCOME

Rev. Michael Mather

PRELUDE

“All Creatures of Our God and King”
Jordan Ortman, piano

Arr. Brian Chung

THE CALL

HYMN “There is a Balm in Gilead” African American Spiritual
 Courtney Caston, soprano Arr. H.T. Burleigh (1866-1949)
 Jordan Ortman, piano

MOMENTS OF WITNESS Stella Pradeau, Brenda Mehos, Jon Kottke
HYMN “Be Thou My Vision” Arr. Heather Sorenson
 Jordan Ortman, piano

THE SCRIPTURE READING Elliott Mickelberry

Mark 1:21-28

They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.

Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God."

But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!"

And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him.

They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching--with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him."

At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

SERMON *You are the Light of the World: Healing is Dangerous Work*
 Rev. Michael Mather

SPECIAL MUSIC “Healer of Our Every Ill” Marty Haugen (b.1950)
 Tessa Espinosa, soprano
 Kyle Griffin, tenor
 Jordan Ortman, piano

PRAYER

Darren De Reuck

BENEDICTION

Rev. Michael Mather

POSTLUDE

“Unclouded Day”
Jordan Ortman, piano

Josiah Kelley Allwood (1828-1909)
Arr. Joel Raney (b. 1956)

***This week, as we all live into the things around us,
let’s remember to offer peace to one another.***

THANK YOU to all who contributed their time and talents to today’s service:

Courtney Caston
Tessa Espinosa
Kyle Griffin
Jon Kottke
Brenda Mehos
Elliott Mickelberry
Jordan Ortman
Stella Pradeau

***After worship, join us on Zoom for the
All-Church Meeting and Celebration!***

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5291240473>

Join Us Online for Worship Next Sunday, February 7, 2021

10:30 am MDT on Our Website and Facebook

Speaker: Rev. Michael Mather

January Special Offering benefits Human Relations Sunday

The January special offering will support Human Relations Sunday, one of denomination-wide special offerings that we participate in each year.

Human Relations Day is observed on the Sunday before Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, which this year is Monday, January 18, but you can

contribute to this special offering throughout the month of January. Your gift strengthens United Methodist outreach to communities in the United States and Puerto Rico, encouraging social justice and work with at-risk youth. To contribute, please make your check payable to First United Methodist Church, and write “January special offering” in the memo line. You can mail your check to the church at 1421 Spruce Street, Boulder, CO 80302. If you’d prefer to give online through our website, click on the green “Give” tab in the upper right corner of the homepage, click the “Donate Now” button, and type in the amount you’d like to give on the line for “January Mission Offering.” Thank you for your generous support of this special offering.

Giving to FUMC During the Pandemic

Just a reminder that FUMC can still receive your offering gifts to support God’s work in the world. Mail is still being checked several times each week in the church office, so you can mail checks, made payable to First United Methodist Church, to 1421 Spruce Street, Boulder, CO 80302. You can also give online via our website: <https://fumcboulder.org/about/donating/>. Thank you.