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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN # 314

"Christ, Be Our Light"

"Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness"

Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has power to save us. Make us your living voice.

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others. Shared until all are fed.

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others. Walls made of living stone.

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.
Many the gift, many the people. Many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another. Making your kingdom come.
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45

NEW TESTAMENT READING Philippians 1:21-30

GOSPEL READING Matthew 20:1-16

SERMON "How to be Fair" Rev. Dr. Barbara Edema

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CLOSING HYMN # 547 "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you; you are my own.
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son's story; here you touched him, saw his glory.
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me;
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here my Spirit's power filled you; here his tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Sortie" Douglas Wagner

This morning we again welcome the Rev. Dr. Barbara Edema to the virtual pulpit. Barb is an ordained minister in the Reformed Church in America (RCA). She has served churches in the RCA, UCC, and PC(USA). She is married to Dr. Doug Edema. Barb & Doug moved from Johnson City back to Michigan in November 2013. They enjoy visiting and staying connected with the people of Covenant!

TODAY AT COVENANT:

In the Pulpit: Rev. Dr. Barbara Edema
Organ/piano: Jessica Siple, Music Director
Liturgist: Liz Dollar

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