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PRELUDE: "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies" (J G. Werner)

Tim Barnes, organ

WELCOME STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY AND CONNECTION

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Welcome to worship, God's beloved! **YES, I Am Welcome! Bienvenidas y bienvenidos!**

CALL TO WORSHIP

We explain the world around us with science.

With biology and physics and a hundred other subfields.

We explain human nature with psychology, with neurology.

That does not make them any less the work of God.

That does not make them any less miracles, any less beautiful.

Being able to explain something does not make it less miraculous.

***Bold type** indicates congregational response.*

OPENING PRAYER

God of mysteries and God of science, God who explains and God who keeps secrets, be with us now as we begin worship; as we hold close the assurance that You are as much with us in the unknown as the known, in the small everyday miracles as in the grand gestures written of in Your Word. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: "Blessed Be the God of Israel"..... UMH # 209

SCRIPTURE READING: John 2:1-11

Three days later, there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and Mary, the mother of Jesus, was there. Jesus and his disciples had likewise been invited to the celebration. At a certain point, the wine ran out, and Jesus' mother told him, "They have no wine." Jesus replied, "Mother, what does that have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." She instructed those waiting on tables, "Do whatever he tells you." As prescribed for Jewish ceremonial gatherings, there were six stone water jars on hand, each one holding between fifteen and twenty-five gallons. "Fill those jars with water," Jesus said, and the servers filled them to the brim. "Now," said Jesus, "draw some out and take it to the caterer." They did as they were instructed. The caterer tasted the water—which had been turned into wine—without knowing where it had come from; the only ones who knew were those who were waiting on tables, since they had drawn the water. The caterer called the bride and groom over and remarked, "People usually serve the best wine first; then, when the guests have been drinking a while, a lesser vintage is served. What you've done is to keep the best wine until now!" Jesus performed this first of his signs at Cana in Galilee; in this way he revealed his glory, and the disciples believed in him.

Here ends the reading of the Gospel. This is the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

MESSAGE

Student Intern Lee Rollins

TIME FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE PRAYER OF JESUS *[You are invited to say this prayer in the language of your heart.]*


Our God in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kindom 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 kindom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: "How Great Thou Art"..... UMH # 77

THE INVITATION TO OFFERING

[Broadway is committed to the financial support of its identity, vision, and ministry by tithing. Consider making an offering this morning of 10 percent of your income from this past week.]

The world is a messy place, full of people in need. Full of people who have forgotten what miracles are, who have become convinced that the night is all there is. Let us give these offerings to the work of changing those minds, to bringing about the dawn, to working miracles through love and generosity.

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God, let us remember that even though we may not see it, the gifts we give, in whatever form they take, may be a miracle to someone. That even though we may not know it, a small gesture can make a world of difference. That even though we may not witness it, our kindness may save a life. That even though we never notice, Your Spirit is working through us. Amen.

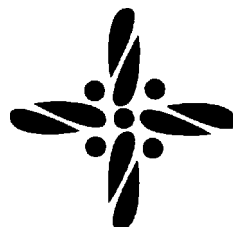
BENEDICTION

Beloveds—as we leave this space of worship, mentally and physically, remember not to wait. Not to stand around looking for signs that have already come, but to rejoice in the knowledge that we don't have to wait. And remember also that we are each miracles in ourselves, and each capable of working love in the world. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE: "His Name Is Wonderful" (Audrey Mieir) Tim Barnes, organ; Robert Galbreath, piano



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