Order of Worship Service, November 15, 2020 11:00 am

PRELUDE

Great Day—spiritual, setting by Emma Lou Diemer

CALL TO RETURN TO OUR SOULS

#1 Glory to God Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

CONFESSION AND COMMITMENT

In the stillness of the quiet, if we listen. we can hear the whisper of the heart giving strength to weakness, courage to fear, hope to despair. There is something in every one of you that waits and listens for the sound of the genuine in yourself. It is the only true guide you will ever have. And if you cannot hear it, then all of your life you will spend your days on the ends of strings that somebody else pulls. Listen to the long stillness: New life is stirring. New dreams are on the wing. New hopes are being readied. God is at work. This is the season of Promise. Amen.

-Howard Thurman

Sung ResponseInsert from Singing Circle SongbookWe've Come This Far by Faith (words altered for Westport)

Bible readings:

Emma Witbolsfeugen

Matthew 13:1-13, Matthew 14:13-34

SUNG RESPONSE TO BIBLE READINGS

#445Blue Presbyterian HymnalGreat Day! (2 stanzas in hymnal))

Plus added 3rd stanza:We call on all courageous souls!
God's going to build up Zion's walls!
To join in reaching freedom's goal!
God's going to build up Zion's walls!

Message <u>SCOTT</u> The People Need Healing!

Anthem Down to the River to Pray— arr. Sheldon Curry

WELCOME

Intercessory Prayer <u>SCOTT</u>—-with comments by people on FB <u>DEANNA</u> will read these in spaces of silence)...conclude with the Lord's Prayer and Sung Response.....

| #392 Glory to God | Jesus, We Are Here | 1. English: Jesus We Are here |
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| | | 2.Teacher, We Are Here) |
| | | 3. Shona (Jesu tawa pano) |

Solo Offertory On Eagle's Wings—Michael Joncas, arr. Jack Schrader Neal Long, tenor

Prayer of Dedication

May all beings everywhere plagued with sufferings of body and mind quickly be freed from their illnesses. May those frightened cease to be afraid, and may those bound be free. May the powerless find power, and may people think of befriending one another. May those who find themselves in trackless, fearful wilderness---the children, the aged, the unprotected--be guarded now and always. Amen.

--Buddhist prayer

#306 Glory to God

Blest Be the Ties That Bind

BLESSING

SUNG BENEDICTION RESPONSE#740 Glory to GodLead Me, Guide Me (refrain, sing twice)

Postlude:

Courante and Minuet-George Frederich Handel

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