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Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Job 38:31–33 NRSV

*“Can you bind the chains of the Pleiades,  
or loose the cords of Orion?  
Can you lead forth the Mazzaroth in their season,  
or can you guide the Bear with its children?  
Do you know the ordinances of the heavens?  
Can you establish their rule on the earth?”*

Job 38:31–33 NRSV

♪ My Lighthouse

[Lyrics](#)

♪ You Are My Hiding Place

[Lyrics](#)

Reconciliation with God

*Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity  
and passing over the transgression  
of the remnant of your possession?  
He does not retain his anger forever,  
because he delights in showing clemency.  
He will again have compassion upon us;  
he will tread our iniquities under foot.  
You will cast all our sins  
into the depths of the sea.*

Micah 7:18–19 NRSV

... In Christ you are forgiven.

**R Thanks be to God!**

♪ All the People Said Amen

[Lyrics](#)

## Sharing the Peace

... The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**R And also with you.**

## Time with Young Disciples

### The Offering

Matthew 6:19–20 NRSV

*“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal.”*

Matthew 6:19–20 NRSV

## Prayers of the People and 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.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;**

**For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

## Scripture

<sup>1</sup> At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. <sup>2</sup> He asked them, “Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? <sup>3</sup> No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did.

<sup>4</sup> Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? <sup>5</sup> No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.”

<sup>6</sup> Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. <sup>7</sup> So he said to the gardener, ‘See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?’ <sup>8</sup> He replied, ‘Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. <sup>9</sup> If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.’”

<sup>10</sup> Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. <sup>11</sup> And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. <sup>12</sup> When Jesus saw her, he

called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” <sup>13</sup> When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. <sup>14</sup> But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, “There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.” <sup>15</sup> But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? <sup>16</sup> And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?” <sup>17</sup> When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

... This is the Word of the Lord.

**R Thanks be to God.**

Message

“Pandemic Faith: What Would Jesus Say About the Coronavirus?”  
(Spiritual Agriculture, Part 3)

Song

🎵 Thy Word

[Lyrics](#)

Blessing & Sending

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