Order of service July 20, 2020

Opening song: Somewhere over the rainbow/Wonderful world (Key of C)

1

Somewhere over the rainbow, way up high There's a land that I heard of once in a lullaby Oh, somewhere over the rainbow skies are blue Clouds high over the rainbow, makes all your dreams come true,

2
Someday I'll wish upon a star
Wake up where the clouds are far behind me
Where trouble melts like lemon drops
High above the chimney top
That's where you'll find me

3 Somewhere over the rainbow, blue birds fly Birds fly over the rainbow Oh why, oh why can't I? I

4

I see trees of green and red roses too I'll watch then bloom for me and you And I think to myself Oh, what a wonderful world

5 I see skies of blue, clouds of white The bright blessed day, the dark sacred night And I think to myself Oh, what a wonderful world

6 The colours of the rainbow so pretty in the sky

Are also on the faces of people passing by I see friends shakin' hands saying, "How do you do?" They're really saying, "I love you"

I hear babies cry and I'd watch them grow They'll learn much more than we'll know And I think to myself Oh, what a wonderful world

Someday I'll wish upon a star
Wake up where the clouds are far behind me
Where trouble melts like lemon drops
High above the chimney top
That's where you'll find me
Somewhere over the rainbow way up high
and the dreams that you dare to o, why
Why can't I...

Welcome

Call to worship

Family of God, from whom does our help come?

Our help comes from the Lord,
the maker of heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

Hymn: Softly and tenderly

(Key of E [or D capo 2nd fret])

1
Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,
Calling for you and for me;
See, on the portals He's waiting and watching,
Watching for you and for me.

Refrain
Come home, come home,
You who are weary, come home;

Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, Calling, o sinner, come home!

Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, Pleading for you and for me? Why should we linger and heed not His mercies, Mercies for you and for me? R

O for the wonderful love he has promised,
Promised for you and for me!
Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon,
Pardon for you and for me. R

Opening prayer & Lord's Prayer Song

Sabbath Giving God,
We all claim to be really busy
But the truth is that we really aren't
We'd just rather do what we want to do.
And not have to deal with Aging parents
or Nosy neighbours
or the bills that pile up,
or our Shaky marriages
or Troubled teens

Silence

God of peace, forgive us as we forgive each other for all the hurt we have brought into our lives.

Let your healing love rest upon the wounds we have caused by our anger, and apathy.

Deepen our love in a new understanding for each other and for you. In the course of our busy livies give us time of refreshment and peace; and help us to use our leisure

to rebuild our bodies and renew our minds, to recreate relationships and restore loving-kindness that our spirits may be open to the goodness of your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, amen.

A time for all God's children

Hymn: He's my rock, my sword, my shield

He's my rock, my sword, my shield
He's my wheel within the wheel.
He's the lily of the valley
The bright and morning star
Doesn't matter what you say
I'll get on my knees and pray.
I'll keep singin' till the day that Jesus comes.

Scripture

Matthew 11: 25-30 (The Message)

25-26 Abruptly Jesus broke into prayer: "Thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth. You've concealed your ways from sophisticates and know-it-alls, but spelled them out clearly to ordinary people. Yes, Father, that's the way you like to work."

27 Jesus resumed talking to the people, but now tenderly. "The Father has given me all these things to do and say. This is a unique Father-Son operation, coming out of Father and Son intimacies and knowledge. No one knows the Son the way the Father does, nor the Father the way the Son does. But I'm not keeping it to myself; I'm ready to go over it line by line with anyone willing to listen.

28-30 "Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you'll recover your life. I'll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly."

28 Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Gospel hymn: Burdens are lifted at Calvary

(Key of E [D capo on 2nd fret])

Days are filled with sorrow and care, Hearts are lonely and drear; Burdens are lifted at Calvary, Jesus is very near.

Refrain
Burdens are lifted at Calvary,
Calvary, Calvary,
Burdens are lifted at Calvary,
Jesus is very near.

2 Cast your care on Jesus today Leave your worry and fear; Burdens are lifted at Calvary. Jesus is very near. R

3 Troubled soul, the Saviour can see, Ev'ry heartache and tear; Burdens are lifted at Calvary Jesus is very near. R

Sermon: Sabbath time

Prayers of the people

Benediction

Hymn: Three things I promise (VU 176; Key of Ab [G capo on 1st fret])

Three things I promise, Holy God, in age and youth, in life and death; to bless your name, and cling to Christ, and listen for the spirit's breath.

2 Your love unfolded time and space, and life, and all that life became, and so, with thankful heart and voice, through good and ill, I bless your name.

3 I follow, serve, and cling to Christ amid our culture's tides and trends, for here your name is most revealed; Majestic love, and best of friends.

Enlivened as the spirit moves to cleanse, awaken, and renew, I pray that justice, peace, and truth, May seed and grow in all I do.

5
If I should live when vigour fades, and family and friends are gone, three acts of loving faith remain, when days are slow, and work is done.

6
Revive and guide me, Living God,
as day by day, until my death,
I bless your name, and cling to Christ,
And listen for the spirit's breath.