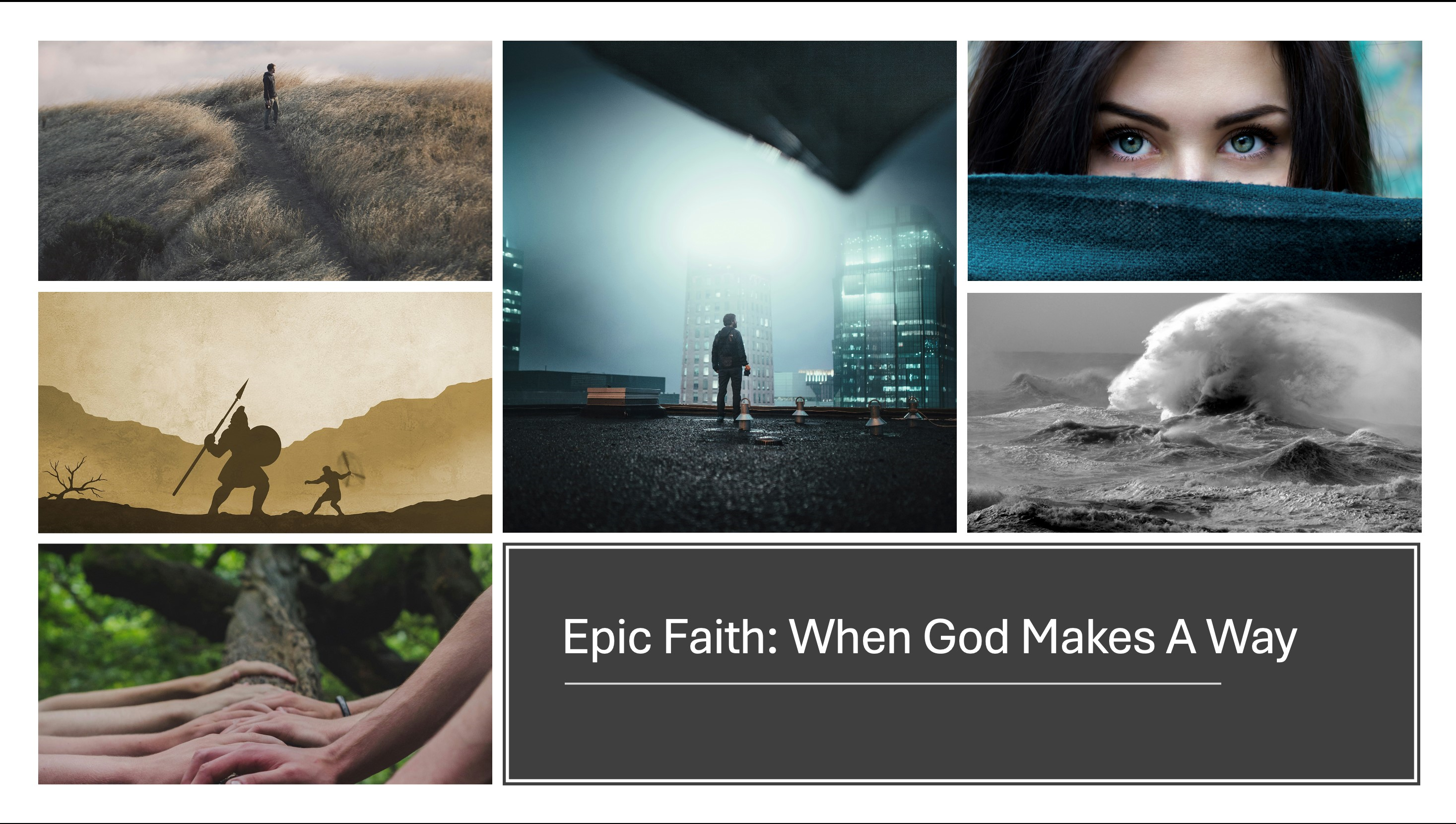
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10th Sunday after Pentecost, July 28th, 2024

Welcome and Announcements

*\*Please stand*

Trinity Chimes

**Prelude** *Prelude on BROTHER JAMES' AIR* Searle Wright

\*Call to Worship

One: What don’t we hear, Oh God?

All: In the press of life, in the urgency of the moment, what don’t we hear?

One: What don’t we change, Oh God?

All: When your prophets come among us.

One: As in this story, let us all—from kings to creatures—turn,

All: Turn and hear, turn and change, so that we too might recognize your grace among us.

**\*Hymn of Praise** 578  *God of Love and God of Power*

UNSER HERRSCHER

1. God of love and God of power, grant us in this burning hour grace to ask these gifts of thee, daring hearts and spirits free.

God of love and God of power, thou hast called us for this hour.

2. We are not the first to be banished by our fears from thee; give us courage, let us hear heaven's trumpets ringing clear.

God of love and God of power, thou hast called us for this hour.

3. All our lives belong to thee, thou our final loyalty; slaves are we whene'er we share that devotion anywhere. God of love and God of power, thou hast called us for this hour.

4. God of love and God of power, make us worthy of this hour; offering lives if it's thy will, keeping free our spirits still.

God of love and God of power, thou hast called us for this hour.

Opening Prayer

God of surprises, your grace knows no limits, your mercy no boundaries. Your love endures from the depths of the sea to the ends of the universe. Recall us to you when we wander afar, when we sink below the waves when we forget your living word. Amen.

Scripture Lesson   Jonah 2:2-9

I called to the Lord out of my distress,  
    and he answered me;  
out of the belly of Sheol I cried,  
    and you heard my voice.

You cast me into the deep,  
    into the heart of the seas,  
    and the flood surrounded me;  
all your waves and your billows  
    passed over me.

Then I said, ‘I am driven away  
    from your sight;  
how shall I look again  
    upon your holy temple?’  
The waters closed in over me;  
    the deep surrounded me;  
weeds were wrapped around my head  
    at the roots of the mountains.  
I went down to the land  
    whose bars closed upon me forever;  
yet you brought up my life from the Pit,  
    O Lord my God.  
As my life was ebbing away,  
    I remembered the Lord,  
and my prayer came to you,  
    into your holy temple.  
Those who worship vain idols  
    forsake their true loyalty.  
But I with the voice of thanksgiving  
    will sacrifice to you;  
what I have vowed I will pay.  
    Deliverance belongs to the Lord!”

**Music of Preparation** 365 Grace Greater than Our Sin

MOODY

1. Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,

grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt! Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured, there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

**REFRAIN**

Grace, grace, God's grace,

grace that will pardon and cleanse within; grace, grace, God's grace,

grace that is greater than all our sin.

2. Sin and despair, like the sea waves cold, threaten the soul with infinite loss; grace that is greater, yes, grace untold, points to the refuge, the mighty cross.

**REFRAIN**

4. Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace,

freely bestowed on all who believe!

You that are longing to see his face,

will you this moment his grace receive?

**REFRAIN**

Gospel Lesson Jonah 2:1, 10-3:10

Sermon Epic Faith: When God

makes a way Part 4

There's this city

Musical Response

Prayers of the People

Confession and Pardon

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastor:  Hear the Good News, Christ is among us renewing us for life with love.  In the name of Christ, you are forgiven!

**People: In the name of Christ you are forgiven!**

**All: Glory to God, Amen.**

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass 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.

\*Passing of the Peace

Invitation to Offering

Offertory *Harbor Me In Your Cove of Love* Janet Tolman

\*Doxology 95 *Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below:

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*Offertory Prayer *Little Flowers*

Danny Lee

Tom Messmore Solo

Dedicated to Joe Delapast

**\*Closing Hymn** C*reation Sings*

LONDONDERRY AIR

1. Creation sings! And we are in the music, the movement of God's energy and art, a liturgy that links our life to angels, a litany that rises from the heart.  The Spirit sings! Through love and lamentation, from Pentecost to joy of Easter Day the universe is resonant with music, the smallest creature dances to its play.

2. Creation groans at our discordant clashing; the Spirit comes with music as our friend to bring the harmony of peace and beauty, to teach the textures of the way to blend. O God, you draw the melody from silence, you make of us the instruments of song! We offer thanks in worship and in wonder

that such a gift to human souls belong.

\*Benediction

May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace

Postlude *Tuba Voluntary* Paul Fey

Liturgist: Tobin Sidles

Stephen Minister: Shawne Sidles

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“Grace Greater than Our Sin leHelp”

Words: Julia H Johnston, 1911 (Rom. 5:20)

“Creation Sings”

Words: Shirley Erena Murray

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