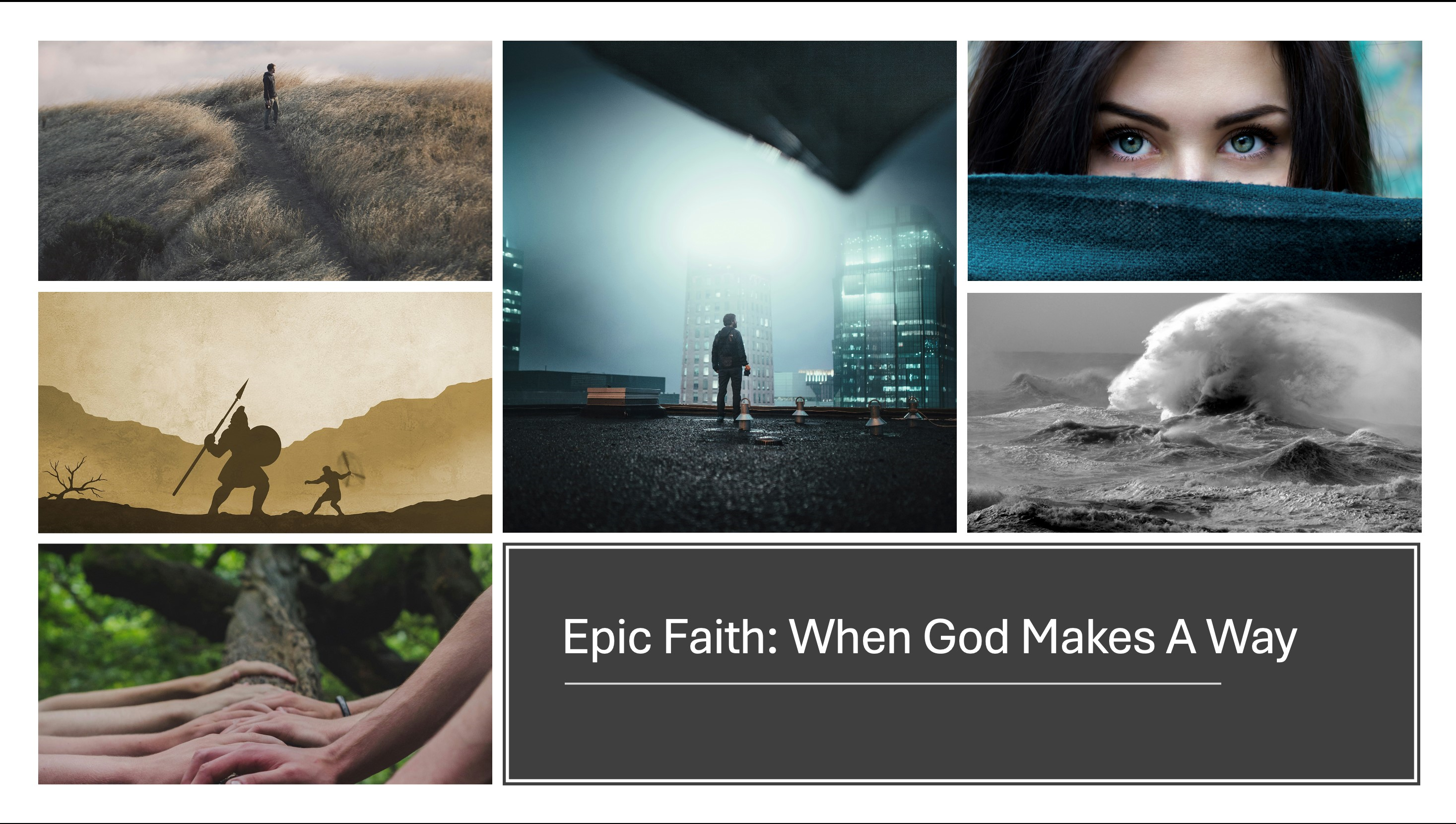
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12th Sunday after Pentecost, August 11th 2024

Welcome and Announcements

*\*Please stand*

Trinity Chimes

**Prelude** *Holy, Holy, Holy*

arr. Robert J. Hughes

\*Call to Worship

One: In times when we feel lost, when we're called away from the people and places we call home,

All: God, you invite us to thrive!

One: You call us to build, to live, to plant, and to seek you with all our hearts.

All: God, you call us to thrive!

One: We trust in the plans you have for us,

All: Plans for our welfare, a future filled with hope. Let us worship with all our hearts.

**\*Hymn of Praise** 61 *Come, Thou Almighty King* ITALIAN HYMN

1. Come, thou almighty King, help us

thy name to sing, help us to praise!

Father all glorious, o'er all victorious,

come and reign over us, Ancient of Days!

2. Come, thou incarnate Word, gird on

thy mighty sword, our prayer attend!

Come, and thy people bless,

and give thy word success:

Spirit of holiness, on us descend!

3. Come, holy Comforter, thy sacred

witness bear in this glad hour.

Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart,

and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power!

4. To thee, great One in Three, eternal

praises be, hence, evermore.

Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see,

and to eternity love and adore.

Opening Prayer

**Gracious God, in times of uncertainty and exile, you remind us that your plans for us are filled with hope. You call us to seek the welfare of all those around us, in our communities and cities. As we gather in worship today, open our hearts to your presence. May we trust in your promises and find strength in your steadfast love, knowing that you are always leading us towards a future full of hope and peace. Amen.**

Scripture Lesson   Psalm 51:1-12

Have mercy on me, O God,  
    according to your steadfast love;  
**according to your abundant mercy  
    blot out my transgressions.**Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
    and cleanse me from my sin.

**For I know my transgressions,  
    and my sin is ever before me.**  
Against you, you alone, have I sinned,  
    and done what is evil in your sight,  
so that you are justified in your sentence  
    and blameless when you pass judgement.  
**Behold, I was born guilty,  
    and I have been sinful since my mother conceived me.**

Behold, you desire truth in the inward being;[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalms+51%3A1-17&version=NRSVACE#fen-NRSVACE-16767a)]  
    therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.  
**Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;  
    wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.** Make me hear joy and gladness;  
    let the bones that you have broken rejoice.  
**Hide your face from my sins,  
    and blot out all my iniquities.**

Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
    and put a new and right[[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalms+51%3A1-17&version=NRSVACE#fen-NRSVACE-16771b)] spirit within me.  
**Cast me not away from your presence,  
    and take not your holy Spirit from me.**Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
    and sustain in me a willing spirit.

**Music of Preparation** 730 *O Day of God, Draw Nigh*

ST. MICHAEL

1. O day of God, draw nigh, in beauty and in power;

come with thy timeless judgement now

to match our present hour.

2. Bring to our troubled minds, uncertain and afraid,

the quiet of a steadfast faith, calm of a call obeyed.

3. Bring justice to our land, that all may dwell secure,

and finely build for days to come

foundations that endure.

4. Bring to our world of strife

thy sovereign word of peace,

that war may haunt the earth no more,

and desolation cease.

5. O day of God, draw nigh as at creation's birth;

let there be light again, and set thy judgments on the earth.

Scripture Lesson Jeremiah 29:4-7, 11-14

Sermon Epic Faith: When God makes a way Part 6 A way out of no way

Pastor Beth Rambikur

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 *Light of a Million Mornings*

Gersmehl and Hayes

Sinamar Respicio, solo

\*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

**\*Closing Hymn** 438 *Forth in Thy Name, O Lord*

DUKE STREET

1. Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go,

my daily labor to pursue;

thee, only thee, resolved to know

in all I think or speak or do.

2. The task thy wisdom hath assigned,

O let me cheerfully fulfill;

in all my works thy presence find,

and prove thy good and perfect will.

4. For thee delightfully employ

whate'er thy bounteous grace hath given; and run my course with even joy, and closely walk with thee to heaven.

\*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 *Festival Flourish*

Gordon Jacob

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Stephen Minister: Georgia Carmichael

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