Order of Worship: Sunday, February 13, 2022

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Gaye Herndon, organ

Welcome Rev. Kandace Brooks

To God Be the Glory (arr. P. Burkhardt)

Opening Prayer

Prelude

You are the Lord our God, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Joseph. You have delivered us from slavery, and you are leading us into a promised land flowing with milk and honey. May we have faith to believe in your promise, trust that you will go with us, and the courage to enter. Amen.

Opening Hymn On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand (UMH 724)

Affirmation of FaithA Modern Affirmation (UMH 885)

Gloria Patri

Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Anthem Hallelujah! Thine the Glory (M. McDonald) Se'Lah

Children's Message

Scripture Numbers 13:25-31 (CEB)

²⁵ They returned from exploring the land after forty days. ²⁶ They went directly to Moses, Aaron, and the entire Israelite community in the Paran desert at Kadesh. They brought back a report to them and to the entire community and showed them the land's fruit. ²⁷ Then they gave their report: "We entered the land to which you sent us. It's actually full of milk and honey, and this is its fruit. ²⁸ There are, however, powerful people who live in the land. The cities have huge fortifications. And we even saw the descendants of the Anakites there. ²⁹ The Amalekites live in the land of the arid southern plain; the Hittites, Jebusites, and Amorites live in the mountains; and the Canaanites live by the sea and along the Jordan."

Sermon "FAITH" Rev. Becky Rokitowski

Closing Hymn *Marching to Zion* (UMH 733)

Closing Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep our eyes always focused on your timeless Promised Land. Do not let anything on earth draw us away from our citizenship in your eternal kingdom. May your will be done here and now. Amen.

Postlude The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve (setting by D. Cherwein) Gaye Herndon, organ

³⁰ Now Caleb calmed the people before Moses and said,

[&]quot;We must go up and take possession of it, because we are more than able to do it."

³¹ But the men who went up with him said, "We can't go up against the people because they are stronger than we."