BULLETIN – February 28, 2021 The second Sunday of Lent

Swagatam, Tansi, Welcome Lighting of the Candle Acknowledgement of Land and people: Gathering in Singing:

MV13 O Let the Power

O let the power fall on me, my Lord let the power fall on me. O let the power from heaven fall on me let the power fall on me.

For we want justice and truth and love, my Lord we want justice and truth and love, for we want justice and truth and love, my Lord. we want justice and truth and love

MV161 I Have Called You

I have called you by your name, you are mine;I have gifted you and ask you now to shine.I will not abandon you; all my promises are true.You are gifted, called, and chosen; you are mine.

I will help you learn my name as you go; read it written in my people, help them grow. Pour the water in my name, speak the word your soul can claim, offer Jesus' body, given long ago.

I know you will need my touch as you go; feel it pulsing in creation's ebb and flow. Like the woman reaching out, choosing faith in spite of doubt, hold the hem of Jesus' robe, then let it go.

Welcome and Community News:

Singing: MV140 As Long As We Follow (Na nzela na lola)

As long as we follow in the way that God is leading, we know God's reign will surely come (2x) Malembe, Malembe, Malemba toko tambola As long as we hope, there is a future for creation, a future for the universe (2x) Malembe.... As long as we pray, there is a future for creation, a future for the universe (2x) Malembe.... As long as we sing, there is a future for creation, a future for the universe (2x) Malembe.... As long as we sing, there is a future for creation, a future for the universe (2x) Malembe....



Call to worship

- One: Help us to live in the consciousness of your presence, oh Lord
- All: For you are our shepherd and our strength
- One: Guide us along the journey of faith that we may follow your ways and walk in your steps
- All: For your ways are faithful and life-giving
- One: Breathe in us your Holy Spirit of strength and comfort amid the storm that we may carry our crosses in comfort
- All: For your mighty name calms down even the raging sea
- One: We are gathered here from all directions and in multitude in our beings to worship you through television screens and mobiles
- All: For you have created us in your own image, in wonders and abundance. Amen.

Singing: VU567 Will You Come and Follow Me (v. 1,3,5)

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the prisons free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

Christ, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show, thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

Sharing of Peace:

Children's Time: (Hyerim)

Lord's Prayer: (English & Nepali)

Lord's Prayer (all languages welcome and spoken)

English

Nepali

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, for ever and ever. Amen.)

हे हाम्रा पिता, जो स्वर्गमा हुनुहुन्छ, तपाईंको नाउँ पवित्र होस्। तपाईंको राज्य आओस्। तपाईंको इच्छा स्वर्गमा जस्तो छ, त्यस्तै यस पृथ्वीमा पूरा होस्। हामीलाई आज हाम्रो दैनिक भोजन दिनुहोस्। हाम्रा अपराधहरू क्षमा गर्नुहोस्, जसरी हामीले आफ्ना अपराधीहरूलाई क्षमा गरेका छौं। हामीलाई परीक्षामा पर्न नदिनुहोस्, तर दुष्ट्बाट छुटाउनुहोस् किनभने राज्य, पराक्रम र महिमा सदासर्वदा तपाईंकै हुन्, आमेन।'

Scripture Reading: Mark 8:31-38

Singing: VU561 Take Up Your Cross

Take up your cross, the Saviour said, if you would my disciple be; take up your cross with willing heart, and humbly follow after me. Take up your cross; let not its weight fill your weak spirit with alarm; Christ's strength shall bear your spirit up, and brace your heart, and nerve your arm. Take up your cross, heed not the same, nor let your foolish pride rebel; your Saviour once accepted death upon a cross, on Calvary's hill. Take up your cross, and follow Christ, think not till death to lay it down; for only those who bear the cross may hope to wear the glorious crown.

Reflection: A Clash in Values – a notion of Want or Need **Singing: VU614 In Suffering Love**

In suffering love the thread of life is woven through our care, for God is with us, not alone our pain and toil we bear.

There is a rock, a place secure within the storm's cold blast; concealed within the suffering night God's covenant stands fast.

In love's deep womb our fears are held; there God's rich tears are sown and bring to birth, in hope newborn the strength to journey on. Now to our hearts your joy commit, into our hands your pain; so send us out to touch the world with blessings in your name.

In suffering love our God comes now, hope's vision born in gloom; with tears and laughters shared and blessed the desert yet will bloom.

Offering Collection

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Singing: VU575 I'm Gonna Live So

I'm gonna live so God can use me Anywhere, Lord, anytime, I'm gonna live so God can use me Anywhere, Lord, anytime.

I'm gonna work so.... I'm gonna pray so.... I'm gonna sing so ... I'm gonna love so ... I'm gonna give so ... I'm gonna praise so ... I'm gonna live so ...

Prayer of the people:

Singing; MV205 Great Amen

Amen, Amen, O Holy One! Hosanna and Amen! Amen, Amen, O Holy One! Hosanna and Amen!

Blessing:

Singing: VU642 Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision, O joy of my heart; naught be all else to me save that thou art, thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, my calm in all strife; I ever with thee, and thou in my life; thou loving parent, thy child may I be, thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

Be thou my battle shield, sword for the fight be thou my dignity, thou my delight, thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tower; raise thou me heavenward, O power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always; thou and thou only, the first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Great God of heaven, after victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun! heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O ruler of all.