

Welcome

In the name of Christ, welcome!
Christ's name means resurrected Life.
Christ-Life is eternal, now and forever.
Welcome to Life in Christ.

The Light

You are the Candle. Your Soul is the wick. The Holy Spirit is the Flame. Mercy, Grace, and Love provide the oil of Blessing.

Christ's life is light.

The light of Christ shines in the darkness.

The darkness is sin and death.

Let the Light-Life of Christ shine in our darkness.

Christ is the lamp unto your feet.

Christ is the light of our Life-Path.

Special Music

Canticle of Love (page 646) edited by Robert

Let love be genuine and live in harmony;
Hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good.
Outdo one another in showing honor;
Be humble and never conceited.

Genuine love celebrates resurrected Life.

Its Goodness lets there be mercy and grace.

Love "Honors" Jesus.

The "Humble" Bless those who curse them.

Put love above all else;

Let Christ's peace rule your hearts.

Always be forgiving,

As Christ has forgiven you.

Blessed are the Peacemakers, for they are the children of God.

Christ's mercy makes peace with sin.

Christ's grace makes peace with death.

Christ's resurrection makes Peace with us and God.

Do not love in word and speech only;

Love also in deed and truth.

Receive each other in sincerity,

Find mercy and grow old together.

The Leper experienced Jesus' touch.

Jesus' touch fulfilled the Beatitudes and the Sermon on the Mount.

Our beliefs are built on Jesus' "word and speech."

Love as "deed and truth" makes straight the way for Lepers to receive His Touch!

Jesus does the "deed." He and the Spirit of Truth fulfill God's purpose and will.

Prayer

Let love be genuine! Remember the sick and afflicted. Name your concerns and fears regarding our nation. Give thanks for teachers, medical staff, those who defend us, those who lead us. Pray for those who harm you!

Let Christ rule your thinking and feeling. Let Christ's mercy guide your thinking about self and neighbor. Let Christ's grace lead your feelings and emotions. Let the Holy Spirit set your soul on fire with mercy, grace, and love.

Let deed and truth be the Light of Life. Bless those who harm you. Bless and do not curse. Blessed are the Peacemakers for they are the Children of God.

The Lord's Prayer

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. A-men

Special Music

The Gospel: Matthew 8

When Jesus came down from the mountainside, large crowds followed him. ² A man with leprosy came and knelt before him and said, "Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean."

³ Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man. "I am willing," he said. "Be clean!" Immediately, he was cleansed of his leprosy.

⁴ Then Jesus said to him, "See that you don't tell anyone. But go, show yourself to the priest and offer the gift Moses commanded, as a testimony to them."

Prayer for a New Heart (page 392)

Thou who are over us,
Thou who art one of us,
Thou who *art*:

Give me a pure heart, that I may see thee;
a humble heart, that I may hear thee;
a heart of love, that I may serve thee;
a heart of faith, that I may abide in thee. Amen

Sermon

Offering

Special Music

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Each of us can make a small difference in the life of a child at Holston United Methodist Home for Children. All of us together can make a very large difference. Methodists and Holston Home have worked together for 125 years to address the needs of children, youth, and family. You can help transform the life of a child who needs to experience love, forgiveness and wholeness. Today is the Fifth Sunday for the Holston Home offering. You can help give children and youth a better life, a good education, and a chance to realize the potential God has given them.

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