Kingston Springs United Methodist Church July 4, 2021

Greeting and Announcements Rev. Kelli Hamilton

Prelude David Wood - guitar

Introit Hallelu, Hallelujah! Choir

*Call to Worship

Jack Arnold

Lord of mystery and community, you have called us here this day

to remind us of the mission you set before us.

Help us to pay attention to the words of Jesus as he sent out his disciples on a mission of healing and compassion.

Remind us that success is not measured in the cures, but in the striving. Enable us to truly be your disciples in this world. In Jesus' name, we pray.

AMEN.

*Hymn Whom Shall I Send? UMH 582

Whom shall I send? our Maker cries; and many, when they hear God's voice, are sure where their vocation lies; but many shrink from such a choice.

For who can serve a God so pure, or claim to speak in such a name,

while doubt makes every step unsure, and self confuses every aim?

And yet, believing God who calls knows what we are and still may be, our past defeats, our future falls, we dare to answer: Lord, send me!

Those who are called God purifies, and daily gives us strength to bend our thoughts, our skills, our energies, and life itself to this one end.

Anthem Father, I Adore You Choir

Prayers of the People: Joys and Concerns Leader: Lord, in your mercy, People: **Hear our prayers**.

Children's Message Rev. Kelli Hamilton

Scripture Reading Mark 6: 1 - 13 Jack Arnold

Sermon Rejection Rev. Kelli Hamilton

Offertory Prayer

Offertory Go Ye, Go Ye into the World Choir

*Doxology UMH 95

Prayer of Confession

God, we hear in the Gospel message that Jesus was questioned and rejected by his own hometown, friends, and relatives, and we wonder how he was able to continue in ministry with such a lack of support. We want to enter our endeavors with full support and acclamation. We are afraid to begin a task if even our families, friends, and hometown folk belittle it and also us. So rather than face degradation, we back down. Forgive our lack of faith and vision. Empower us to be in service to you. Let us trust in your power and presence with us. Heal us. Guide our lives and our journeys all our days. In Jesus' Name, we pray. AMEN.

Words of Assurance

Do not be afraid of the derision of others. Place your trust in God's call and guidance. Know that the Lord is with you always, even to the ends of the earth. AMEN.

The Great Thanksgiving

UMH 15

The Lord be with you.

And also with you. Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere...

...and so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven.

We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ... ...as we proclaim the mystery of death:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here...

...all honor and glory is yours, now and forever. Amen

The 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

Prayer after Receiving

Rev. Kelli Hamilton

Commission and Blessing

*Benedictory Response

Day by day, day by day, O dear Lord, three things I pray: To see Thee more clearly. Love Thee more dearly. Follow Thee more nearly. Day by day (repeat) (End) Day by day—day by day by day by day by day.

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