



**WORSHIP SUNDAY JUNE 28, 2020  
SUMMER SERMON SERIES –  
THE BOOK OF ACTS**

Good Morning!

Even when we're physically apart, the Holy Spirit unites us as one community! Even when we can't *go to church*, **we are the church!**

**Let us know you worshiped with us today by filling out the Friendship Form located on our website **WORSHIP** page [www.rivierachurch.org](http://www.rivierachurch.org).**

If you are joining in via Facebook, please check in or leave us a comment so we know you are worshiping with us today.

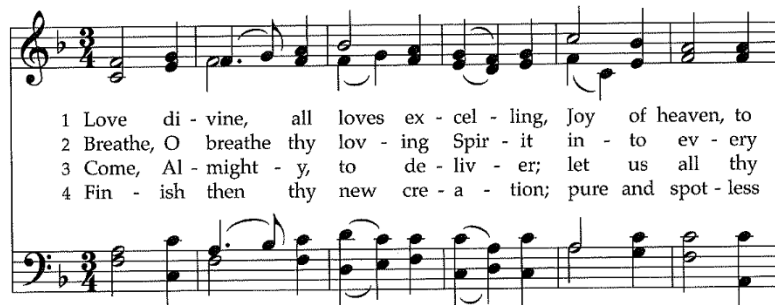
Don't forget to keep checking our various social media outlets, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, for up-to-date information.

# HYMN

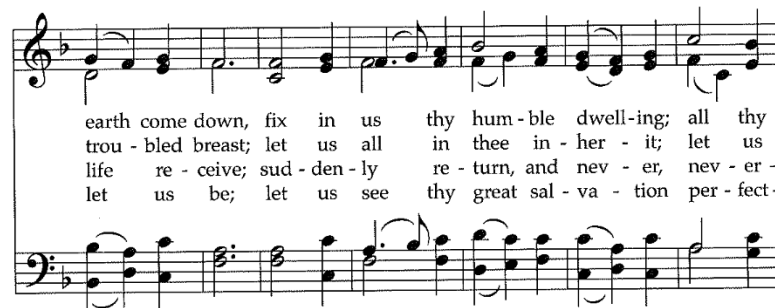
## GATHERING

CHRIST'S RETURN AND JUDGMENT

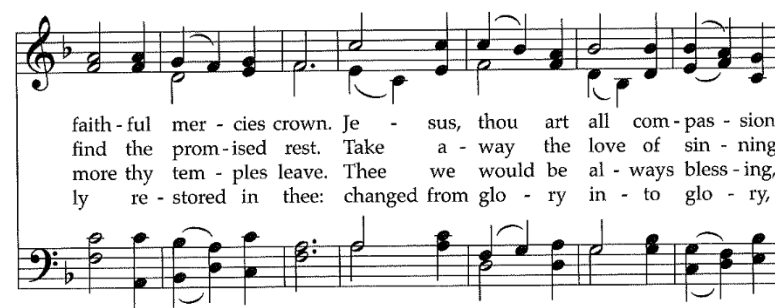
### 366 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heaven, to  
2 Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - ery  
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy  
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less



earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing; all thy  
trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us  
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -  
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion;  
find the prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;  
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,  
ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

This text and this tune occur in almost all English-language hymnals (though not always together). The transforming power of love motivates the unending praise of the life to come, and this fine Welsh tune (whose name means "delightful") gives us a foretaste of endless song.

TEXT: Charles Wesley, 1747, alt.  
MUSIC: Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1831, alt.

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CHRIST'S RETURN AND JUDGMENT

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with  
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as  
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee  
till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion; en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.  
its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**WELCOMING THE LIGHT**

**WELCOME**

**Rev. Martha M. Shiverick**

**INTRODUCTION OF REV. GEOFF McLEAN**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Anna Rosas**

One: God has created us, called us from our mother's wombs and formed us as a people.

**All: No longer are we lonely individuals, but part of the whole human race, living and sharing with others.**

One: We discover life to be so complex. We are called to be with each other through this COVID 19 pandemic, to fight against racism and to create equality among peoples, and to help those hit by our economic down-turns.

**All: Life is tears, it is smiles, it is joy, it is sorrow. But it is also love.**

One: Life is a calling to make change, it is a calling to be the change.

**All: It is a gift from God. Laugh, cry, sing, be silent; in whatever way we live, be thankful unto God.**

One: Let us worship God.

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

**Becky and Kevin Fouche**

Even when we have been too busy to notice, God has been constantly loving us and encouraging us to grow in the light of God's love. We can trust God with our deepest confession.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Mighty, Gentle God, you have shown us your love and called us to be your servants. But we have made ourselves too busy and worried to notice. Like Martha, we have been anxious about much we cannot control, and we have forgotten you. We have been worried about what other people think of us, and we have missed the point of your care. We resent the Mary's who act freely, trusting in your grace. We are angered by people whose service draws attention away from us. Forgive us that we have worried over the wrong things. Free us, body and soul, for your service of love and grace. Amen.**

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.  
The old life has gone; a new life has begun.  
I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.  
Thanks be to God!

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**Rev. Geoff McLean**

**Marching in the Light of God** (segue)

## **THE WORD**

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**Anna Rosas**

Lord, speak to us your Word, that hearing it, our hearts may be transformed, Our lips may prophesy, and our feet follow your path.  
**Amen.**

### **ANTHEM**

**'Prelude No. 4' by Heitor Villa-Lobos**

*Fabian Carrera – Classical Guitar Solo*

### **SCRIPTURE**

**Acts 8**

### **SERMON**

**Rev. Geoff McLean**

**Associate Presbyter, The Presbytery of Tropical Florida**

**“Along the Wilderness Road”**

## **THE RESPONSE**

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**Michelle Garcia and Stephanie Godoy**

God of mercy and judgment, we come to you to give our joys and concerns in this changing world around us.

We pray for our planet which is still gripped by a pandemic. Give the world leaders, the scientists, and the medical personnel the wisdom they need and the resources they lack.

We pray for those who suffer through this virus, the economic insecurities we face, the sadness and isolation of many around us, and the human-made disasters created by our sins of racism and white privilege. We pray that we might help restore the order and well-being to your world.

You are merciful, O God, and you are just; both your righteousness and justice imbue your love for your people.  
So enable us to actively seek your love and justice for all creatures of this earth.  
All this we pray in the name of Jesus Christ who also taught us when we prayed to pray in this manner:

*For the Lord's Prayer we appreciate the diverse traditions and backgrounds that make up the Riviera family of faith, and encourage you to use whatever words for this prayer are meaningful for you.*

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER unison**

**Our Creator in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Rev. Martha M. Shiverick**

**CALL TO OFFERING**

**Rev. Martha M. Shiverick**

#### **PENTECOST OFFERING**

Each year on Pentecost Sunday, we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the church. The Holy Spirit remains with us still, connecting us with *the church of the past*, continuing to inspire *the church of today*, and pointing us to *the church of the future*. Each year, this celebration is marked by receiving the Pentecost Offering

which nurtures the faith of those who are the church to come – children, youth, and young adults.

40% of the Pentecost Offering remains with our congregation to support our ministry at Frances Tucker Elementary School to purchase backpacks for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade class.

Won't you contribute today? <https://bit.ly/3hCKIDI>

## **INVITATION TO GIVE TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

### **The Act of Gratitude**

- 1. You may donate today via credit/debit card by visiting our website at [www.rivierachurch.org](http://www.rivierachurch.org) and clicking on the GIVE button**
- 2. You may download the free Give+ app (iOS & Android)**
- 3. You may consider setting up online payment via your bank bill pay program.**
- 4. You may also mail in your check to the church at Riviera Presbyterian Church at 5275 Sunset Drive, Miami FL 33143**

*If you are a member of another church, please donate to them during this time*

## **DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God, ye hosts in heaven above;  
Praise God, the Trinity of Love. Amen*

## **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**Rev. Martha Shiverick**

# HYMN

JESUS CHRIST: LIFE

## 157 I Danced in the Morning

Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (F#m) (Bm)  
F Dm Am Dm

1 I danced in the morn-ing when the world was be-gun, and I  
2 I danced for the scribe and the Phar - i - see, but  
3 I danced on the Sab-bath and I cured the lame. The  
4 I danced on a Fri - day when the sky turned black. It's  
5 They cut me down and I leapt up high. †

(Em) (A)  
Gm C

danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I  
they would not dance and they would not foll - ow me. I  
ho - ly peo - ple said it was a shame. They  
hard to dance with the dev - il on your back. They  
I am the life that will nev - er, nev - er die. I'll

(D) (Bm) (F#m) (Bm)  
F Dm Am Dm

came down from heav - en and I danced on the earth. At  
danced for the fish - er - men, for James and John. They  
whipped and they stripped and they hung me high, and  
bur - ied my bod - y and they thought I'd gone, but  
live in you if you'll live in me, †

(Em) (A7) (G) (D)  
Gm C7 Bb F

Beth - le - hem I had my birth.  
came with me and the dance went on.  
left me there on a cross to die.  
I am the dance and I still go on.  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

This 20th-century ballad-like retelling of the life of Christ, though written for this Shaker tune, has many similarities with the pre-Reformation carol "Tomorrow shall be my dancing day." Such narrative carols were common both at Christmas and as part of medieval mystery plays.

TEXT: Sydney Carter, 1963  
MUSIC: American Shaker melody; adapt. Sydney Carter, 1963  
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LORD OF THE DANCE  
Irregular

JESUS CHRIST: LIFE


Refrain

(F#m) (Bm) (F#m) (Bm) (D) (Bm)  
Am Dm Am Dm F Dm



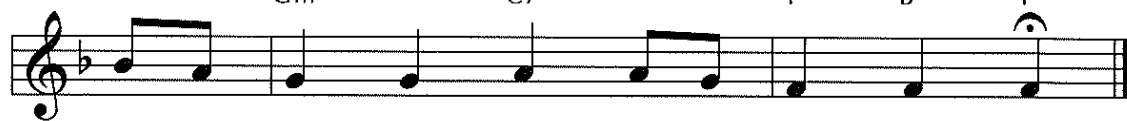
Dance, then, wher-ev - er you may be; I am the Lord of the

(Em) (A) (D) (Bm) (D) (A7) (D)  
Gm C F Dm F C7 F



Dance, said he, and I'll lead you all, wher-ev - er you may be,

(Em) (A7) (D) (G) (D)  
Gm C7 F B<sup>b</sup> F



and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.



Don't forget to fill out the Friendship Form on our website or leave us a comment or check in on Facebook so we know you worshiped with us today. Please include any prayer requests you have which will be sent to our pastoral care team.



Grab a cup of coffee and join us after the worship service on Zoom Holy Grounds to connect with others in the Riviera church family.

Sundays after the worship service.

Meeting ID: 931-409-506

Password: 5275



**Riviera's Food Pantry Ministry** will be distributing food on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:00 am – 12:00noon on the east entrance of the sanctuary.

#### Our Current Needs

**Peanut Butter – Pasta - Granola Bars – Tuna - Mac and Cheese - Canned soup, fruit and veggies.**

**UNUSED Hotel size shampoo bottles – Toothpaste - Toothbrushes**

Donations can be dropped off at the church Fellowship Hall doors on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 am – 12:00 noon.

We welcome The Rev. Geoff McLean who serves as the Associate



General Presbyter for the Presbytery of Tropical Florida as of December of 2019. He works directly with congregations' ministers and leaders to grow their vibrancy for fulfilling the Great Ends of the Church, as well as provide resources, foster missional engagement, and equip congregational capacity for discipleship and witness in the community.

Rev. McLean is a Minister of Word and Sacrament and served congregations in Virginia, New Jersey, and Mississippi, prior to moving to Florida. He is a graduate of Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary. He has a bachelor's degree from Bloomfield College and training as a Chaplain Candidate with the U.S. Navy. Geoff was born and raised in Wayne, New Jersey and was ordained by the Palisades Presbytery. He and his wife, Sheila, have two children: John (stepson), and Colin.



### **Sunday Morning Adult Education Online**

Via ZOOM

10:00 am - 10:30 am

This is a great opportunity to study Sunday's sermon passage with Pastor Missy.

Meeting 860-148-3445

For those who are artistically inclined here is a sample of the PCUSA cross that you can use as a template, for others not so gifted you may use this cross for your Summer Picture - places you see God at work this summer. You can send pictures to [rivierachurch@bellsouth.net](mailto:rivierachurch@bellsouth.net) or post them on social media using the #RPCGODATWORK



Thank you to all who participated in our first MISSION@THEMOVIES discussion event on Trigger: The Ripple Effect of Gun Violence. It was very informative with a good dialogue starter for Calls to Action. Stay tuned for upcoming information.

Our July MISSION@THEMOVIES will be the Netflix documentary 13<sup>th</sup>.

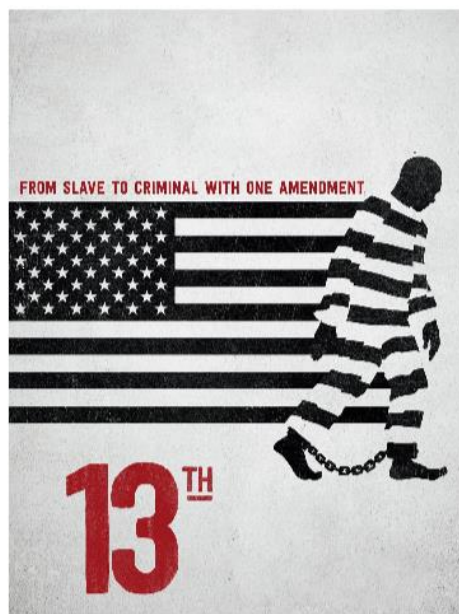
## Mission News...

### MISSION@theMOVIES - Systemic Racism

*Documentary "13th"*

July 22, 2020 - 6:30- 7:30pm EDT Discussion Group

Zoom Meeting ID and Password provided via email upon registration



**13th** is a 2016 American **documentary** by director Ava DuVernay. The film explores the "intersection of race, justice, and mass incarceration in the United States;" it is titled after the Thirteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, adopted in 1865, which abolished slavery throughout the United States and ended involuntary servitude except as a punishment for conviction of a crime.

You can watch it on Netflix or on [YouTube](#) before the discussion event.

Ways to register: Eventbrite -

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/missionthemovies-13th-tickets-110851884972>

Facebook -

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1866979026778363>

Contact church office - 305-666-8586x3

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Also be on the lookout starting July 1 for the 21-day Racial Justice Challenge.

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<b>Pastor</b>	<b>Rev. Martha M. Shiverick</b>
<b>Parish Associate for Visitation</b>	<b>Rev. Rosemary Noga Welton</b>
<b>Parish Associate for Visitation</b>	<b>Rev. Dr. David Welton</b>
<b>Director of Music</b>	<b>Dr. Walter Busse</b>
<b>Youth Education and Outreach Assistant</b>	<b>Anna E. Rosas</b>
<b>Certified Church Administrator</b>	<b>Barbara Prieto</b>
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### **Love Divine, All Loves Excelling**

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### **Siyahamba/Marching in the Light of God**

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### **Prelude No. 4, Homenagem ao índio brasileiro** (Homage to the Brazilian Indian)

MUSIC: Heitor Villa-Lobos, 1940.