“You have been trustworthy... I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.”

Matthew 25:23
HOPE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
November 15, 2020
The Twenty Third Sunday after Pentecost

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
Piano Prelude “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”  Walter Ehret

Greeting and Announcements

Hymn # 720 We Are Called (vs. 1,2)

We Are Called

1. Come! Live in the light!
2. Come! O-pen your heart!
3. Sing! Sing a new song!

Shine with the joy and the love of
Show your... mercy to all those in
Sing of that great day when all will be

Lord! We are called
to be light for the kingdom,
to be hope for the hopeless so
as

live in the freedom of the city of God.
of the city of God.

We are called to act with justice,
we are called to

love tenderly;

we are called to serve one an-
other,
to walk humbly with God.

Refrain
The Apostolic Greeting
Prayer of the Day
Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:14-30
Jesus tells a parable about his second coming, indicating that it is not sufficient merely to maintain things as they are. Those who await his return should make good use of the gifts that God has provided them.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. 29For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

Children’s Message

Anthem: “Here I Am Lord” Sung By: Marlys Jungroth and Gloriann Jones

The Sermon, “The Risky Investments of Faith” Dan Severson
Hymn # # 685 “Take My Life and Let It Be (vs. 1,2,3,4)

1. Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
2. Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love;
3. Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King;
4. Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold;

take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.
take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.
take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee.
take my intellect, and use every pow'r as thou shalt choose.

The Prayers of the Church
Lord's Prayer
Benediction
Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

1 Rejoice, ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing;
2 With voice as full and strong as ocean's surging praise,
3 With all the angel choirs, with all the saints on earth
4 Still lift your standard high, still march in firm array,

your festive banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your king,
send forth the sturdy hymns of old, the psalms of ancient days
pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true rapture, noblest mirth
as pilgrims through the darkness wend till dawns the golden day.

Refrain

Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

Rejoice! Rejoice!
Dismissal:

Organ Postlude: “Sonata in D” C.P.E Bach

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