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MILE ROAD

LITURGY & SONGS – January 26, 2020

Reflection Quote:

“What we cannot comprehend by analysis, we become aware of in awe.” -Abraham Heschel

Call to Worship:

Leader: Behold, our God is high and lifted up: He inhabits eternity, He transcends time, and His name is Holy. And yet, He dwells with the contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the heart, give rest to the weary, and He calls Himself, “Our Father.”

<Based on Isaiah 57>

All: O Lord, because you are the everlasting God, Creator and Sustainer of heaven and earth, Father of all who rest in your grace: we will walk and not faint, we will run and not grow weary, we will mount up with wings as eagles and finish therace, for you are true and faithful to the very end.

<Based on Isaiah 40>

Confession of Sin:

Leader: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by the things we have done, and the things we have left undone. We have become enamored by the things of this world, with the lust for more money, power, and control. Our hearts’ affections have been kindled for another, and we have abandoned You in so many different ways. For this, we are truly sorry, and we humbly repent. For the sake of our Lord Jesus, who was faithful even when we were not, would you have mercy on us and forgive us our sins. And would you give us a heart that takes delight in seeking first your Kingdom and finds ultimate joy in bringing glory to your name. Assurance of Pardon:

All: You stood before our failures and carried the cross for our shame. Our sin weighed upon your shoulders, You took on death in our stead. Though our love was misdirected, you pursued a wayward people. We are granted forgiveness because of Your sacrifice. We have an assurance of hope because of Your resurrection. We will strive to love as You loved because You are worthy of our devotion!

Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: Dearly Beloved, know this: if we have died with Christ, we will rise with Him; and if we endure with Him, we will also reign with Him. And yet, even when we are faithless, He remains faithful, for He cannot deny His own. By the grace of confession, we are forgiven our sins and dressed in righteousness, welcomed at His table as son, as daughter, as loved.

<Based on 2 Timothy 2 and 1 John 1>

Benediction:

Leader: Dearly Beloved, who is this King of Kings who has loved us from the foundations of the world; who has made us in His image, crowned us with glory, and called us to make His name famous to the ends of the earth? His name is Jesus, and on you He has set his love. Now go, in the grace and peace of God, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, make disciples who bear lasting fruit that brings glory to God and life to the world.

<Based on Psalm 8, Matthew 28, and John 15>

SONGS

All I am
In Tenderness
Rock of Ages

Broken Vessels
There is a Fountain