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On the Go with Deborah

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Today's Lay Reader: Judy Pine

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: Come! Come from our sanctuary or from your home. Come at 11 AM

on Sunday or any time during the week. Come whenever and

wherever you are. Come! Worship is called in the name of the Father,

and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit!

People: We come, ready to worship, serve and learn!

Leader: These are lessons we learn from Biblical role models like Deborah.

God often chooses the unexpected people to do the greatest things.

So never think it can't be you!

People: It can be me. It can be the person in front of me, behind me, or

next to me. It can be a person on the other side of the room. It could be one of our Young Disciples! Only God knows! Amen.

Hymn

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

(verses 1, 3, and 4)



Opening Prayer

Dear God, thank you for the example of humble, simple people in the Bible. They make your word relatable. They show us that you do look out for people like us. Each one of them had special people pouring love into them, helping them become who you wanted them to be. Who are those people today? Who should we pour love into today? Which person? Every person! Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Chorus

Father, I Adore You

Father, I adore You, lay my life before You, how I love You.

Jesus, I adore You, lay my life before You, how I love You.

Spirit, I adore You, lay my life before You, how I love You.

Women's Chorus

Peace Like a River / Amen

arr. Douglas Wagner

Young Disciples Chatting with the Rev

Scripture Lesson

Judges 4:4-11

At that time Deborah, a prophet, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim, and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali and said to him, "The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Position yourself at Mount Tabor, taking ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops, and I will give him into your hand.' "Barak said to her, "If you will go with me, I will go, but if you will not go with me, I will not go." And she said, "I will surely go with you; nevertheless, the road on which you are going will not lead to your glory, for the Lord will sell Sisera into the hand of a woman." Then Deborah got up and went with Barak to Kedesh. Barak summoned Zebulun and Naphtali to Kedesh, and ten thousand warriors went up behind him, and Deborah went up with him.

Now Heber the Kenite had separated from the other Kenites, that is, the descendants of Hobab the father-in-law of Moses, and had encamped as far away as Elon-bezaanannim, which is near Kedesh.

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

Message

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Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Offertory Faith of Our Fathers arr. Don Hustad

Doxology Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

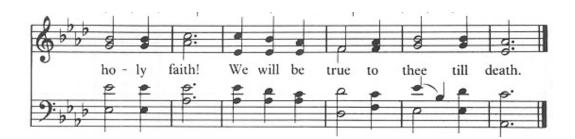
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Hymn

Faith of Our Fathers





Benediction

PostludeFuge in C MajorDietrich Buxtehude