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WASHINGTON, DC

## 2023 Parish Retreat: Unashamed to Sing & Tell The Difference Jesus Makes

### Psalm 111

1 Praise the Lord!

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,  
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

**2 Great are the works of the Lord,  
studied by all who delight in them.**

3 Full of splendor and majesty is his work,  
and his righteousness endures forever.

**4 He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;  
the Lord is gracious and merciful.**

5 He provides food for those who fear him;  
he remembers his covenant forever.

**6 He has shown his people the power of his works,  
in giving them the inheritance of the nations.**

7 The works of his hands are faithful and just;  
all his precepts are trustworthy;

**8 they are established forever and ever,  
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**

9 He sent redemption to his people;  
he has commanded his covenant forever.  
Holy and awesome is his name!

**10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;  
all those who practice it have a good understanding.  
His praise endures forever!**

**Songs:** Here is Love, Holy Spirit Come

**Collect:** Almighty God our Savior, you desire that none should perish, and you have taught us through your Son that there is great joy in heaven over every sinner who repents: Grant that our hearts may ache for a lost and broken world. May your Holy Spirit work through our words, deeds, and prayers, that the lost may be found and the dead made alive, and that all your redeemed may rejoice around your throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Testimonies of the Difference Jesus Makes**

**Songs:** All The Way My Savior Leads Me, Clean

**Collect:** Thanks be to you, our Lord Jesus Christ, for all the pains and insults you have borne for us, and all the benefits you have given us. O most merciful Redeemer, Friend, and Brother: Grant that we may see you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

### **Mark 10:46-52**

46 And they came to Jericho. And as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the roadside. 47 And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" 48 And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" 49 And Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart. Get up; he is calling you." 50 And throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. 51 And Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" And the blind man said to him, "Rabbi, let me recover my sight." 52 And Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him on the way.

### **Testimonies of the Difference Jesus Makes**

**Songs:** How Long, The Power of the Cross

### **Prayers of the People**

- *For courage to be unashamed of the gospel, of Jesus, and of his church.*
- *For those who have not yet come to know our Lord Jesus Christ*
- *For the people of God who are broken-hearted, discouraged, and downcast*
- *For the people of God bound by sins that easily entangle*
- *For a deep love and desire for the Word of God, that Christ may be formed in us*
- *For a holy fear of God that we might please him rather than men.*

### **The Lord's Prayer**

### **Acts 16:25-34**

25 About midnight, Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, 26 and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken. And immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's bonds were unfastened. 27 When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. 28 But Paul cried with a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." 29 And the jailer called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas. 30 Then he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" 31 And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." 32 And they spoke the word

of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. 33 And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their wounds; and he was baptized at once, he and all his family. 34 Then he brought them up into his house and set food before them. And he rejoiced along with his entire household that he had believed in God.

**Songs:** I'll Not Be Shaken, Swing Low Sweet Chariot/ My Chains Are Gone, The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power