

Jubilee! Circle Online Celebration – January 10, 2021

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ORDER OF CELEBRATION

Opening – Rev. Candace Chellew

Calling the 4 Directions

Opening song: Change Your Mind – Sister Hazel

Hey, Hey Did you ever think, There might be another way

To just feel better, Just feel better about today

Oh no - If you never want to have

To turn and go away You might feel better,

Might feel better if you stay

[Pre-chorus] Yeah, yeah, I bet you haven't heard

A word I've said. Yeah, yeah

If you've had enough of all your tryin'

Just give up The state of mind you're in:

[Chorus] If you want to be somebody else,

If you're tired of fighting battles with yourself

If you want to be somebody else, Change your mind...

Hey hey - Have you ever danced in the rain

Or thanked the sun Just for shining- just for shining

Or the sea? Oh no- take it all in the world's a show

And yeah, you look much better,

Look much better when you glow

[Pre-chorus/chorus]

Hey hey- what ya say, We both go and seize the day

'cause what's your hurry, what's your hurry anyway

[Pre-chorus/chorus]

Announcements:

- Come back to Jubilee! Circle in person. We're opening up the space for a limited number of people to attend in person. Masks and social distancing are required.
- Jubilee branded masks are here! Get your "Oh, Yeah" mask for a \$12 donation to our ministry. Send checks to PO Box 4611, Columbia, SC 29240. Online ordering will be available soon! Watch our website at jubileecircle.com and our Facebook page for details. See pic below.

Readings: From the Jesus story: Matthew 3:7-8: ... when [John the Baptist] saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance."

From A Course in Miracles, Lesson 71: The ego's plan for salvation centers around holding grievances. It maintains that, if someone else spoke or acted differently, if some external circumstance or event were changed, you would be saved. Thus, the source of salvation is constantly perceived as outside yourself. Each grievance you hold is a declaration, and an assertion in which you believe, that says, "If this were different, I would be saved." The change of mind necessary for salvation is thus demanded of everyone and everything except yourself. According to this insane plan, any perceived source of salvation is acceptable provided that it will not work. This ensures that the fruitless search will continue, for the illusion persists that, although this hope has always failed, there is still grounds for hope in other places and in other things. Another person will yet serve better; another situation will yet offer success. How can you escape all this? Very simply. The idea for today is the answer. Only God's plan for salvation will work.

From Martin Luther King Jr. from his sermon, "Loving Your Enemies": The person who hates you most has some good in him. And when you come to the point that you look in the face of every man and see deep down within him what religion calls "the image of God," you begin to love him in spite of. No matter what he does, you see God's image there. There is an element of goodness that he can never slough off. Discover the element of good in your enemy. And as you seek to hate him, find the center of goodness and place your attention there and you will take a new attitude. [...] In the final analysis, love is not this sentimental something that we talk about. Love is creative, understanding goodwill for all men. It is the refusal to defeat any individual. When you rise to the level of love, of its great beauty and power, you seek only to defeat evil systems. Individuals who happen to be caught up in that system, you love, but you seek to defeat the system.

Leader: These are wise and Holy words. **All:** Thanks be to the Holy

Leader: All creation is Holy Word **All:** All Creation speaks volumes of the Holy. Hallelujah!

Scripture/Hugging song: Lean in Toward the Light – Carrie Newcomer

Winter is the oldest season, But quietly beneath the snow
Seeds are stretching out and reaching, Faithful as the morning glow
Carry nothing but what you must, Lean in toward the Light
Let it go, shake off the dust, Lean in toward the Light

Today is now, tomorrow beckons, Lean in toward the Light
Keep practicing resurrection, Lean in toward the light

[Bridge] The shadows of this world will say, There's no hope why try anyway?
But every kindness large or slight, Shifts the balance toward the light

The prayer I pray at eventide, Lean in toward the Light
All left undone be put aside, Lean in toward the Light
When forgiveness is hard to find, Lean in toward the Light
Help me at least to be kind, Lean in toward the Light

Sermon – VIA CREATIVA: THE TRUTH IS IN HERE – CHANGE YOUR MIND – Rev. Candace Chellew

Sermon Song: A Simple Change of Heart – Carrie Newcomer

[Verse] There has never been a day, When the world wasn't new,
When the sun did not rise, Or the light break on through.
Things might get a little worse, before they get a little better.
But there's always clearer skies, Stretching out beyond bad weather and
The world holds its breath, just to see where we'll incline this time.

[Chorus] Ha la la la, ha la la la, ha la la la

[Verse] I feel something has shifted, I know the story's changed.
In the window of a crisis, we can build a better frame.
Come on and look inside you, it's the best place to start.
And the greatest revolution, Is a simple change of heart.
I can't put the sacred in such a little box, because it's not.

[Chorus] Ha la la la, ha la la la, ha la la la

[Bridge] There's no shame in learning something,
When there's something that must be learned.
But there's danger when we will not see what our actions earn.

[Verse] Courage doesn't always shout, but whispers and reminds,
When we get up one more morning, And try another time.
We tried yelling at each other, it hasn't worked so well.
Throwing gas on the fire, never helped as far as I can tell
Throwing stones cut deep, a little kindness goes deeper still.

[Chorus] Ha la la la, ha la la la, ha la la la

Meditation: Stars – David Newman

A friend, you'd call a stranger, a mountain more like the wind,
We crossed that fateful hour, and won't be back again.
As one, two crimson heartbeats steady as any hand could be
Like clay held in your fingers, you made a lover out of me.

I felt your eyes upon me and a stirring in my Soul

I watched the current rise and tide turn for another shore...
A river finds it's ocean, the light brings darkness to its knees
All that we've forgotten and all that we were meant to be...

[Chorus] We are like stars, stars in the sky
The darker this night, the brighter we will shine.

Closing Song: We All Walk Together – by: Candace Chellew & Michael Reisman

We all walk together, hand in hand, side by side
We all walk together, with hearts and arms open wide
We make the way by walking, in love we will abide
The path is always open, no traveler is denied
So open up your heart, forget those tears you cried
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