Sunday June 12, 2016 AHA #2 “A Distant Country“



**NEW ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Opening Song—Play the beginning as we come in (“I’m Coming Out”-Diana Ross)

**A TIME OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP *Oceans/***

***Something Beautiful***

You call me out upon the waters

The great unknown where feet may fail

And there I find You in the mystery

In oceans deep my faith will stand

*Chorus 1*

And I will call upon Your name

And keep my eyes above the waves

When oceans rise

My soul will rest in Your embrace

For I am Yours and You are mine

*Verse 2*

Your grace abounds in deepest waters

Your sov'reign hand will be my guide

Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me

You've never failed and You won't start now

Misc 1

(Interlude)

Oh and You are mine oh

*Misc 2*

*(Bridge)*

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders

Let me walk upon the waters

Wherever You would call me

Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander

And my faith will be made stronger

In the presence of my Saviour

*Chorus 2*

I will call upon Your name

Keep my eyes above the waves

My soul will rest in Your embrace

I am Yours and You are mine

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Something beautiful

Something good

All my confusion

He understood

All I had to offer Him

Was brokenness and strife

But He made something

Beautiful of my life

Invocational Prayer RT

**Praise and Worship Reprise *Something Beautiful***

**WELCOME Video and Welcome** Rev. Terri

Opportunities to Plug In JO and RT

**CALL TO WORSHIP Megan**

Leader: We have run away from home, leaving everything including God behind us.

**People: Sometimes it feels easier to run away to the distant country in hopes to live it up in order to have it all.**

Leader: We have strayed so far away in an effort to be something we are not and by doing so, we are left broken and alone.

**People: Often times, the distant country is a closet.**

Leader: Our closets are full of the things that hold us back from all that God has for us.

**People: We often run to the closet to hide from and perhaps run from who we have been called to be when Jesus is simply calling us to be authentic.**

Leader: Today, let us leave our fear, loneliness, isolation, self-esteem issues, and dishonest selves behind knowing that God has great things in store for us if we simply step outside of our closets.

**People: May it be so! Amen!**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Larry Watchorn**

**RESPONSE IN SONG *I need thee every hour***

I need Thee O I need Thee

Every hour I need Thee

O bless me now my Savior

I come to Thee

**SCRIPTURE LESSON for LIFE in English and Spanish 9:00AM (E) Pi’ilani and (S) Ali Diaz**

**10:45AM (E) Monique and (S) Roseanne**

Our Scripture lesson today comes from the Gospel of Luke, chapter 15, verses 11-14. Here now these words of leaving home and going to a distant country:

# Luke 15:11-14 The Voice (VOICE)

**11**Once there was this man who had two sons. **12**One day the younger son came to his father and said, “Father, eventually I’m going to inherit my share of your estate. Rather than waiting until you die, I want you to give me my share now.” And so the father *liquidated assets and* divided them. **13**A few days passed and this younger son gathered all his wealth and set off on a journey to a distant land. Once there he wasted everything he owned on wild living. **14**He was broke, a terrible famine struck that land, and he felt desperately hungry and in need.

# Lucas 15:11-14 Dios Habla Hoy (DHH)

# La parábola del padre que recobra a su hijo

**11**Jesús contó esto también: «Un hombre tenía dos hijos, **12**y el más joven le dijo a su padre: “Padre, dame la parte de la herencia que me toca.” Entonces el padre repartió los bienes entre ellos. **13**Pocos días después el hijo menor vendió su parte de la propiedad, y con ese dinero se fue lejos, a otro país, donde todo lo derrochó llevando una vida desenfrenada. **14**Pero cuando ya se lo había gastado todo, hubo una gran escasez de comida en aquel país, y él comenzó a pasar hambre.

**REFLECTION IN SONG *Let the church say AMEN***

Let the church say amen

Let the church say amen

God has spoken

Let the church say amen

**Join the Movement | Share Your Story** (Offering Ask) **RT (story of SoG and Dead Sea)**

**(video)**

**Sermon Intro Song *Break Every Chain***

There is power in the name of Jesus

There is power in the name of Jesus

There is power in the name of Jesus

To break every chain

Break every chain break every chain

*Chorus 2*

There's an army rising up

(REPEAT)

**AHA Sermon:** “A Distant Country Behind the Closet Door”

Megan Currie, Summer Intern

**Moment of Impact Joel (and RT) “Clean”**

**COMMUNION Larry W. and RT**

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Larry Watchorn**

**SONG OF CELEBRATION  *“I Got a feeling”***

I've got a feeling everything's gonna be alright,

I've got a feeling everything's gonna be alright,

I've got a feeling everything's gonna be alright,

Be alright, Be alright, Be alright.

**BENEDICTION Rev. Terri**