

Worship Bulletin for January 30, 2021

Welcome and Announcements ~ John Hess

Wednesday ~ Seeking God Together meets at 11 am via zoom,
and the Missions and Outreach Committee will meet at the
church at 7 pm.

Thursday ~ The Interfaith Council will have a zoom meeting
beginning at noon.
There is also choir practice at the church at 7 pm.

Happy Birthday to Rosemary Hall on Thursday and to
Dottie Sundquist and Lisa Towslee on Saturday!

Thank you, Lisa Towslee for bringing flowers for worship today!

Word of Preparation ~ John Hess

Prelude ~ The Worship Team will share a song as we prepare our
hearts for worship.

Call to Worship ~ “We Ask Not for Easy Lives” (#624, blue)

**O God, come to us, we pray thee,
with the resources of thy power,
that we may be strong within.**

**We ask not for easy lives,
but for adequacy.**

**We ask not to be freed from storms,
but to build our houses on rock that will not fall.
We pray not for a smooth sea, but for a stout ship,
a good compass, and a strong heart;
in the name of him who faced
enmity and death without flinching,
thy Son Jesus Christ our Savior.**

~ Henry Emerson Fosdick

Song ~ “*How Firm a Foundation*” (#618, blue)

*How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord
Is laid for your faith in God's excellent word
What more can He say than to you God has said
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled*

*Fear not I am with thee, O be not dismayed
For I am thy God, I will still give thee aid
I'll strengthen thee help thee
And cause thee to stand
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand*

*When through the deep waters He calls thee to go
The rivers of woe shall not thee overflow
For He will be with thee thy troubles to bless
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress*

*When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie
My grace all-sufficient shall be thy supply
The flames shall not hurt thee I only design
Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine*

*The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose
I will not, I will not desert to its foes
That soul though all hell should endeavor to shake
I'll never, no never, no never forsake!*

Words inspired by Isaiah 43:1-2
Music ~ traditional American melody
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Praying Together ~

Space for Prayer Requests ~

Our Father, Who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

Choir Song ~ “The Blessing Riddle”

*I hope you will find peace through every trial;
I hope you will find courage for every mile;
And when you are alone, you'll find a friend;
And may you live forever, life without end.
But how will I find peace through every trial;
And how will I find courage for every mile;
And when I am alone, where is my friend?
How can I live forever, life without end?
Well, God will give you peace through every trial;
And God will give courage for every mile;
And when you are alone, He'll be a friend
And give you life eternal, life without end.
He'll give you life eternal, He'll give you life eternal,
Life without end, without end, Amen, Amen.*

Song ~ The Worship Team will lead us in singing ~

“Blessed Be Your Name”

*Blessed be Your name, in the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name
Blessed be Your name, when I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name
Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in Lord, still I will say
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name
Blessed be Your name, when the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be, blessed be Your name
Blessed be Your name, on the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name
You give and take away, You give and take away
My heart will choose to say, Lord blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name*

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Introducing the Sermon ~ Pastor Rebecca Sommons

Scripture Text ~ Philippians 1:12-20 (TPT) read by John Hess

¹² I want you to know, dear ones, what has happened to me has not hindered, but helped my ministry of preaching the gospel, causing it to expand and spread to many people.

¹³ For now the elite Roman guards and government officials overseeing my imprisonment have plainly recognized that I am here because of my love for the Anointed One.

¹⁴ And what I'm going through has actually caused many believers to become even more courageous in the Lord and to be bold and passionate to preach the Word of God, all because of my chains.

¹⁵ It's true that there are some who preach Christ out of competition and controversy, for they are jealous over the way God has used me.

Many others have purer motives— they preach with grace and love filling their hearts,

¹⁶ because they know I've been destined for the purpose of defending the revelation of God.

¹⁷ Those who preach Christ with ambition and competition are insincere— they just want to add to the hardships of my imprisonment.

¹⁸ Yet in spite of all of this I am overjoyed! For what does it matter as long as Christ is being preached? If they preach him with mixed motives or with genuine love, the message of Christ is still being preached.

And I will continue to rejoice

¹⁹ because I know that the lavish supply of the Spirit of Jesus, the Anointed One, and your intercession for me will bring about my deliverance.

²⁰ No matter what, I will continue to hope and passionately cling to Christ,

so that he will be openly revealed through me before everyone's eyes. So I will not be ashamed!

In my life or in my death, Christ will be magnified in me.

Sermon ~ “How is God Using This Trial?”

Song ~ “It Is Well with My Soul” (#561, blue)

*When peace like a river, attendeth my way
When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say
It is well, It is well with my soul*

Chorus

It is well with my soul

It is well, It is well with my soul

Though Satan should buffet, though' trials should come

Let this blest assurance control

That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate

And hath shed His own blood for my soul

Chorus

My sin, O the bliss of this glorious thought

My sin, not in part but the whole

Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul

Chorus

And Lord haste the day, when my faith shall be sight

The clouds be rolled back as a scroll

The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend

Even so, it is well with my soul

Chorus

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“The Blessing Riddle Sung Benediction”

(The music is in the insert)

May God give you peace through every trial.

May God give you courage for every mile

May God give you comfort and be your friend

And give you life eternal, life without end