

Worship Bulletin for November 7, 2021

Welcome and Announcements ~ Dottie Beers

Tuesday ~ Deacon Meeting at 4:30 pm in the vestry.
Prayer Group & Book Discussion of chapters 7-9 of
When God Whispers Your Name meeting via zoom at 7 pm.
Wednesday ~ Seeking God Together meeting at Barb West's house
at 11 am.
Thursday ~ Prudential Meeting at Maurie Hill's house at 4 pm.
Budget Committee Meeting at the church vestry at 5:30 pm.
Choir Practice at 7 pm in the vestry.
Saturday ~ Men's meeting and breakfast at 9 am in the vestry.
Next Sunday ~ Mary and Martha meeting with breakfast at 8:30 am
in the vestry.
Operation Christmas Child boxes are due at church by
10:30 am on November 14th.
The Interfaith Council is preparing to have an online auction from
Nov. 29th to Dec. 9th, and would appreciate donations of new
or homemade items, services, and gift certificates. If you
would like to make a donation to benefit the IFC Emergency
Needs Fund, please call Lori Hong (609-709-0496).
Happy Birthday to Ray Koch on Monday!
The flowers today are from Lindy Mylott in loving memory
of Ruby Norse.

Word of Preparation ~ Dottie Beers

Prelude ~ The Worship Team will share "***From the Inside Out.***"
Everyone is welcome to sing along or simply listen
as we prepare our hearts for worship.

*A thousand times I've failed, still Your mercy remains
And should I stumble again, still I'm caught in Your grace
Everlasting ~ Your light will shine when all else fades
Never-ending ~ Your glory goes beyond all fame*

(Song Continued)

*Your will above all else, still my purpose remains
The art of losing myself in bringing You praise
Everlasting ~ Your light will shine when all else fades
Never-ending ~ Your glory goes beyond all fame*

Chorus 1

***In my heart in my soul, Lord, I give You control
Consume me from the inside out Lord
Let justice and praise become my embrace
To love You from the inside out***

Chorus 2

***Everlasting ~ Your light will shine when all else fades
Never-ending ~ Your glory goes beyond all fame
And the cry of my heart is to bring You praise
From the inside out, Lord my soul cries out (Lord)***

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Call to Worship ~ Selected verses from Psalm 27 (NLT)

(Please join in reading the bold lines.)

The Lord is my light and my salvation ~ so why should I be afraid?

**The Lord is my fortress, protecting me from danger,
so why should I tremble?**

The one thing I ask of the Lord, the thing I seek most
is to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,

**delighting in the Lord's perfections
and meditating in his Temple.**

At his sanctuary I will offer sacrifices with shouts of joy,
singing and praising the Lord with music.

My heart has heard you say, "Come and talk with me."

And my heart responds, "Lord, I am coming."

Wait patiently for the Lord.

Be brave and courageous.

Yes, wait patiently for the Lord.

Song ~ “How Great Thou Art” # 33 in the blue hymnal

*O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout the universe displayed*

Chorus

***Then sings my soul, My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, How great Thou art!***

*When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze
And when I think that God His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die. I scarce can take it in
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin
When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation
And take me home. What joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim ~ My God how great Thou art!*

Words and Music by Stuart K. Hine, 1953

Praying Together ~

Space for 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

Song ~ The Worship Team will lead us in singing “The Same Love”

*You choose the humble and raise them high
You choose the weak and make them strong
You heal our brokenness inside and give us life*

Chorus

***The same love that set the captives free
The same love that opened eyes to see
Is calling us all by name
You are calling us all by name
The same God that spread the heavens wide
The same God that was crucified
Is calling us all by name
You are calling us all by name
You take the faithless one aside
And speak the words you are Mine
You call the cynic and the proud ~ come to Me now***

Chorus

*You're calling, You're calling
You're calling us to the cross
You're calling, You're calling
You're calling us to the cross
(REPEAT)*

Chorus

*You're calling, You're calling
You're calling us to the cross*

Introducing the Sermon ~ Pastor Rebecca Sommons

Scripture Text ~ **James 5:1-12** read by Dottie Beers

¹ Come now, you rich people, weep and wail
for the miseries that are coming to you.

² Your riches have rotted, and your clothes are moth-eaten.

³ Your gold and silver have rusted,
and their rust will be evidence against you,
and it will eat your flesh like fire.

You have laid up treasure for the last days.

⁴ Listen! The wages of the laborers who mowed your fields,
which you kept back by fraud, cry out, and the cries of the harvesters
have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts.

⁵ You have lived on the earth in luxury and in pleasure;
you have fattened your hearts in a day of slaughter.

⁶ You have condemned and murdered the righteous one,
who does not resist you.

⁷ Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord.

The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth,
being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains.

⁸ You also must be patient.

Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near.

⁹ Beloved, do not grumble against one another,
so that you may not be judged.

See, the Judge is standing at the doors!

¹⁰ As an example of suffering and patience, beloved,
take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

¹¹ Indeed we call blessed those who showed endurance.

You have heard of the endurance of Job,
and you have seen the purpose of the Lord,
how the Lord is compassionate and merciful.

¹² Above all, my beloved, do not swear,
either by heaven or by earth or by any other oath,
but let your “Yes” be yes and your “No” be no,
so that you may not fall under condemnation.

Sermon ~ Rev. Rebecca Sommons ~

“Are You Ready for the Coming of the Lord?”

Song ~ **“Come, Share the Lord” (# 408 in the blue hymnal)**

We gather here in Jesus' name

His love is burning in our hearts like living flame
For through His loving Son, the Father makes us one

Come take the bread come drink the wine

Come share the Lord

No one is a stranger here. Everyone belongs
Finding our forgiveness here, we in turn forgive all wrongs

He joins us here He breaks the bread

The Lord who pours the cup is risen from the dead

The One we love the most is now our gracious host

Come take the bread, come drink the wine, come share the Lord

We are now the family, of which the Lord is head

Though unseen He meets us here in the breaking of the bread

We'll gather soon where angels sing

We'll see the glory of our Lord and coming King

Now we anticipate the feast for which we wait

Come take the bread, come drink the wine, come share the Lord

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Celebration of the Lord's Supper ~

Sung Benediction ~ **“Blest Be the Tie that Binds” (#432 blue)**

*Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above*

*When we are called to part, it gives us inward pain
But we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again*

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Fellowship Time ~