

Traditional Service

8:30 am

Prelude

Trust and Obey
(by Daniel B. Tower, Arr. by Kenon D. Renfrow)

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

This is the day the Lord has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it

Hymn #557

O God Beyond All Praising

Responsive Reading

Psalm 27: 1-6

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh— my adversaries and foes— they shall stumble and fall.

Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.

One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

All: Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Lord God, the stronghold of our lives, we confess that we find it difficult to have faith in times of testing. In our comfort and blessings, we are not familiar with sickness, failures, persecution, and suffering, and when they come, we fear that You have abandoned us. Forgive us, Lord Jesus, for forgetting Your presence and the suffering You endured on the Cross for us. Forgive us for not remembering the cross You ask us to bear as we follow You in discipleship. Help us to be still and know that You are God, trusting in Your strength and the power of the Holy Spirit to carry our burdens.

*(People silently offer their personal confessions to God.)
In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.*

Declaration of Forgiveness

Pastor: Friends, believe the Good News:

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Response

Glory Be to the Father #961

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be
World without end. Amen, Amen.

Passing the Peace

Joining God's Mission

Hymn #426

Sermon

The Daily Walk of Enduring Hope
Keep Going: How to Live with Enduring Hope
2 Thessalonians 1:1-12

Musical Reflection

Deep River
(by Harry. T. Burleigh)

Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him, above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name;
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn #328

Lead On, O King Eternal

Benediction

Postlude

All Creatures of Our God and King
(By Geistiliche Kirchengesange, Arr. by Lloyd Larson)

Worship Participants

Welcome & Sermon	Rev. Dr. Spencer Lundgaard
Liturgist & Prayer Leader	Wally Kelley
Contemporary Worship Leader	Luke Stoner
Praise Music	Village Church Worship Band
Director of Traditional Music	Dr. Yongmin Kim
Song Leader	Natalie Mustea
Keyboardist	Hyewon Jung
Prayers of the People	Mary Dukes (10:00)
Joining in God's Mission	Deb DaSilva

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Contemporary Service

10:00 am

Questions for Discussion

Welcome and Call to Worship

Praise and Prayer

Alive & Breathing

His Glory and My Good

Prayer of Confession

Worthy Of It All

Passing the Peace

Announcements

(Offerings are received weekly via mail and online giving at <https://villagechurchnorthbrook.org/give/> . Those attending live worship can leave their donations in the offering plates at the back of the sanctuary.)

Joining God's Mission

Exodus World Service

Sermon

The Daily Walk of Enduring Hope
Keep Going: How to Live with Enduring Hope
2 Thessalonians 1:1-12

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Closing Song

What A Beautiful Name

Blessing

Opening Discussion

1. When life gets overwhelming or uncertain, what's your default coping mechanism and does it help?
2. Have you ever received bad news about something important only to find out later that the information was wrong? How did that impact you?

Read 2 Thessalonians 1:1-12

Digging Deeper:

1. In verses 3-4, Paul says he brags about this church to other communities. What specifically is he boasting/bragging about that is growing or increasing in the Thessalonians?
2. Paul says the Thessalonians' perseverance is "evidence of the righteous judgment of God" (v. 5). What does it say about God that suffering can be evidence of his justice?
3. Paul describes (v. 9) that eternal punishment is being "separated from the presence of the Lord." What does that framing tell us about the nature of hell and what is salvation?
4. Paul prays (v. 11) that God would "make you worthy of his call" and "fulfill every good resolve and work of faith by his power." Why does Paul ask God to do this rather than just encouraging them to try harder?
5. The Thessalonians had received a fake letter (2:1-2) claiming Christ had already returned and it derailed their lives.
 - a. What's the equivalent in your world? What false narratives (online, cultural, relational) tempt you to stop engaging faithfully with the present? Where do you find yourself sitting on the sidelines rather than fully engaging?
6. Paul says he "must" give thanks (vs 3) for this church — it's an obligation born from what he sees in them. Who in your life are you genuinely grateful for? When did you last tell them?
7. Where in your life right now are you most tempted to "stop working" to disengage, coast, or wait for things to sort themselves out before you re-engage?

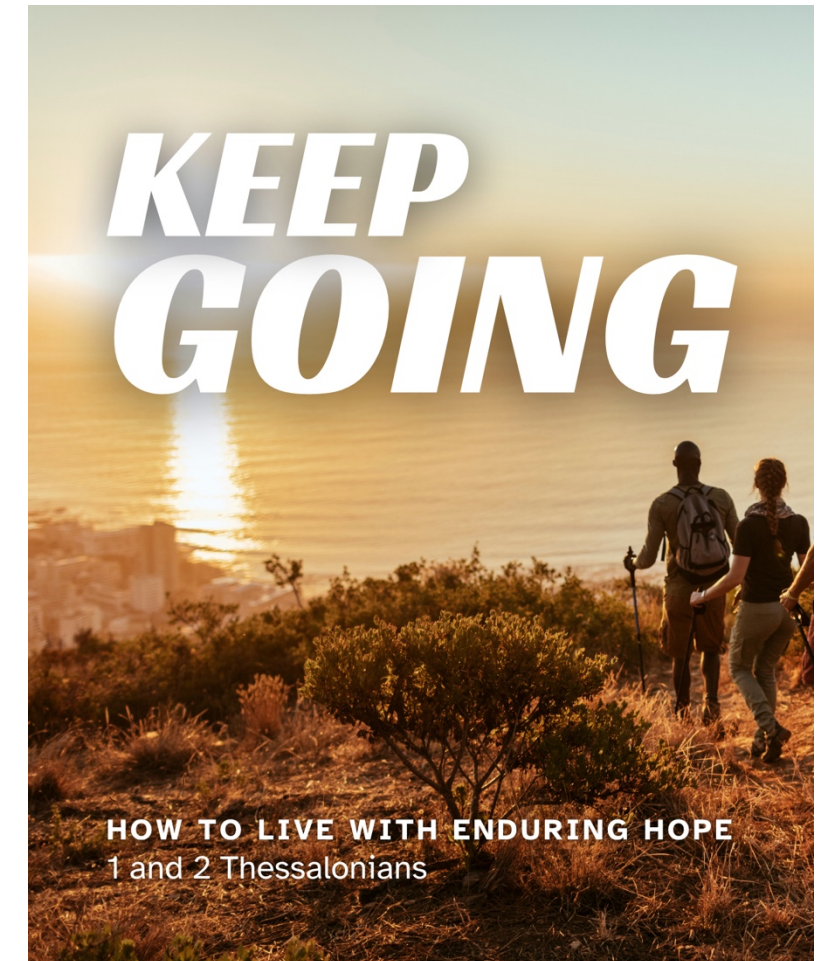
Prayer Concerns & Closing Prayer

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