



June 13, 2021

Traditional Service – 8:30 am

Scripture for Meditation

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you all

People: And also with you

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Opening Hymn

Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior

#422

Pass me not, O gentle Savior; Hear my humble cry;
While on others Thou art calling, Do not pass me by.

Refrain: Savior, Savior, Hear my humble cry;
While on others Thou art calling, Do not pass me by.

Let me at thy throne of mercy find a sweet relief;
Kneeling there in deep contrition, Help my unbelief. [Refrain]

Trusting only in Thy merit, Would I seek Thy face;
Heal my wounded, broken spirit, Save me by Thy grace. [Refrain]

Thou the Spring of all my comfort, More than life to me,
Whom have I on earth beside Thee? Whom in heaven but Thee? [Refrain]

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the mountains—
where does my help come from?

**My help comes from the LORD,
the Maker of heaven and earth.**

He will not let your foot slip—
he who watches over you will not slumber;

**Indeed, he who watches over Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.**

The LORD watches over you—

the LORD is your shade at your right hand;
**The sun will not harm you by day,
nor the moon by night.**
The LORD will keep you from all harm—
he will watch over your life;
**The LORD will watch over your coming
and going both now and forevermore.**

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Lord God, we confess that we find faith difficult in times of testing. Because of your many blessings in our lives, we are not as familiar with sickness, failures, persecution, and suffering. When they come into our lives, we wonder if you have abandoned us. Forgive us, Lord Jesus, for our lack of memory of your death on the Cross and the suffering you endured. Forgive us for not remembering the cross you ask us to bear as we follow you in our discipleship. Help us to believe and trust you in times of stress and strain. Help remind us of the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives to take on the burdens that come our way. In Jesus Name, Amen.

(People silently offer their personal confessions to God.)

Assurance of Pardon

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.

Scripture Reading

James 1:1-8

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Wisdom through the Storms

Offertory

Let Us Break Bread Together

(Arr. Richard Walters)

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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.

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and was born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Closing Hymn

When Peace Like a River

#451

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."

Refrain: 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 has regarded my helpless estate, and has shed his own blood for my soul.

[Refrain]

My sin - oh, 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!

[Refrain]

O 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.

[Refrain]

Benediction

Postlude

Contemporary Service - 10:00 am

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Praise and Prayer

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Prayer of Adoration

Goodness of God

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Prayer of Confession

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Offering

O Come to the Altar

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the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Closing Song

Stand in Your Love

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Blessing

Postlude

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Welcome & Sermon
Worship Leader
Director of Music
Scripture Readers

Guest Pianist (8:30)
Soloist (8:30)
Worship Band (10:00)
Pianist (10:00)
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Reflection Questions

Connecting with One Another:

- What is one piece of advice that you like to pass along to anyone who will listen? And why?
- During this last year, we all went through the same storm, but we all had a different boat. What was your boat like during this last year? (Suggestions: kayak, a cruise liner, a zodiak, or a bunch of sticks strapped quickly together.) Explain your answer.
- When you train for an athletic competition, what happens to your body?

Listening and Acting upon the Text:

Background: James is the head of the church in Jerusalem, and he is writing this letter to the Christians scattered in the known world of that time.

- Why were they scattered and what were the primary reasons? Read (Acts 6:8-15, 8:1-8, 12:1-17)
- What assurances does James offer for believers who endure trials?
- What is the outcome from trials and temptation for the Christian? (vs. 4b)
- What does James suggest is the key for not being tossed about in the challenges of life? (vs. 5-6)
- When you think of your life, where might you be dealing with temptation or trials?
- What is the relationship between endurance and the ability to handle the waves from the ocean?

Talking with God: Read the Lyrics from this song and offer them up to God in prayer. Bonus: Look up the story behind this famous song. Begin with saying; Gracious God...

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Words by Horatio G. Spafford

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