



January 16, 2022

Contemporary Service - 9:30 am

Scripture for Meditation

Truly my soul finds rest in God; my salvation comes from him. (Psalm 62:1)

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you

People: And also with you.

Praise and Prayer

Alive & Breathing

CCLI #7138680; Matt Maher and Ellie Limebear
@ 2019 Be Essential Songs

Great Are You Lord

CCLI #6460220 | Leslie Jordan and David Leonard
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Prayer of Confession

Stand in Your Love

CCLI #7107821 | Ethan Hulse, Josh Baldwin, Mark Harris, and Rita Springer
Be Essential Songs (Admin. by Essential Music Publishing LLC)

Announcements

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

Welcome New Member

Scripture Readings

Exodus 20:8-11

Matthew 11:28-30

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Chosen to Rest in the Lord

2nd in the series "What Does It Mean to Be Chosen?"

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Closing Song

Goodness of God

CCLI #7117726 | Ed Cash and Jenn Johnson
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Blessing

Postlude

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Welcome & Sermon
Worship Lead/Prayer of Confession
Prayers of the People
Scripture Reader
Contemporary Pianist
Worship Band Members

Rev. Dr. Spencer Lundgaard
Rev. Greg Buell
Luke Stoner, pastoral intern
Gerri Kirby (9:30); Sandy Mauk (11:00)
Jim Peterson (piano)
Carl Tobias (electric guitar), Christine Cheung (synthesizer)
Erin Gosser, Renate Graham, Matt Parks (vocals)
Ruth G. Heald
Sharon Peterson
Ruth G. Heald

Director of Music
Organist/Pianist (11:00)
Soloist (11:00)

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Traditional Service - 11:00 am

Scripture for Meditation

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Prelude

Pastorale
(Arcangelo Corelli)

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: The Lord is Risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

Opening Hymn

My Soul Finds Rest in God Alone

#370

Responsive Reading:

Psalm 116:1-8

I love the LORD because he hears my voice
and my prayer for mercy.

**Because he bends down to listen,
I will pray as long as I have breath!**

Death wrapped its ropes around me;
the terrors of the grave overtook me.
I saw only trouble and sorrow.

**Then I called on the name of the LORD:
"Please, LORD, save me!"**

How kind the LORD is! How good he is!
So merciful, this God of ours!

**The LORD protects those of childlike faith;
I was facing death, and he saved me.**

Let my soul be at rest again,
for the LORD has been good to me.

**He has saved me from death,
my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.**

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Gracious God, you have given us the law of Moses and the teachings of Jesus to direct us in the way of life. You offer us your Holy Spirit so that we can be born to new life as your children. Yet, O God, we confess that the ways of the world have a strong attraction and that we often succumb to their lure. Forgive us for our reluctance to follow Christ, and for our slowness to learn from him. Give us the vision and courage to choose and nurture life.

(People silently offer their personal confessions to God.)

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.

Welcome New Member

Anthem

O Rest in the Lord

(from *Elijah* by Felix Mendelssohn)

O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for Him, and He shall give thee thy heart's desires.
Commit the way unto Him, and trust in Him, and fret not thyself because of evil-doers.

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All: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

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Music for Reflection

Once He Came in Blessing
(John Leavitt)

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

Closing Hymn

Like a River Glorious

#699

Benediction

Postlude

Carillon
(Richard Purvis)

Questions for Reflection

The Chosen

Season 1, Episode 2

Read the Scripture:

Genesis 2:1-32

Exodus 20: 8-11

Matthew 11:28-30

Key Characters in Season 1, Episode 2:

Mary Magdalene, (Formerly Lilith)

Quintus -The Roman Overseer who acted on behalf of Rome

Gaius - a Roman Soldier

Matthew - a Jewish tax collector

Simon (Peter) & Andrew

James & John

Reflection Questions for Episode 2 from Season 1:

1. Which characters stood out to you the most and why?
2. What is the challenge for Matthew, the tax collector?
3. Why is Shabbat (Sabbath) so important?
4. How does Nicodemus respond when Mary Magdalene explains what happened to her?
5. What are the issues driving Simon to work on the Sabbath?
6. What is unique about the people who gather around the Shabbat table compared to the table where Nicodemus is participating?
7. Matthew Sleeth, the author of 24/6 has called the Sabbath, "Stop Day." What do you think he means?
8. What are the good responsibilities that get in the way of enjoying the peace of Christ that comes from resting in the Lord?
9. What do you need to stop doing to enjoy the benefits of the Sabbath?
10. Consider the implications of the quote from Augustine: *"You have made us for Yourself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it rests in You."*