

Let's Worship!

March 14, 2021 – 10:30 AM Fourth Sunday in Lent - WI-27 WO-53

A Hybrid Worship Experience, In-Person and Online Today's worship team: Music Director Jayne McDonough, Worship Leader Barbara Cain; Pastor, the Rev. Dr. Kevin Yoho; Worship Production Norris Clark.





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WORSHIP PREVIEW

"Have you received your COVID-19 vaccine yet?" How many times have you asked this question!? New CDC guidelines for life after you are vaccinated have just been released. According to the guidelines, people who have been fully vaccinated against COVID-19 can gather in small groups together



indoors without masks or social distancing. And those fully vaccinated can visit unvaccinated people who are from one household and low risk for severe COVID symptoms. Still, very far from the "back to normal" we long for.

The term *vaccine* comes from the Latin for *cow* (vacca), first used in 1803. But you may be surprised to learn historians have documented the practice as far back as 200 BCE! The science of vaccines reflects homeopathic principles that "like cures like" (part of the disease is administered to help the body kill the disease), and "minimum dosage" (administer the smallest dosage that achieves optimum results). Learn more about vaccine history with an interactive timeline here.

Our Scripture texts this week are stories about vaccines, too, when the disease itself becomes the cure using the optimal dosage. You'll want to download the <u>Worship Guide</u> to preview the readings, and then plan to hear Pastor Kevin's message, "A Spiritual Vaccine for the World." Maybe the metaphor of Jesus being a spiritual vaccine is new to you, but there is no doubt that God sent Jesus that whoever believes the world through him might be saved (a word also meaning healed and delivered). The dead tree of the cross became the tree of life. Good news this week at Cold Spring Church!

GREETING OF IN-PERSON WORSHIPPERS: REV. KEVIN YOHO

COUNTDOWN TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE: JAYNE McDONOUGH

WELCOME: REV. KEVIN YOHO:

(10:24)

(10:25)

(10:27:30)

CALL TO WORSHIP (UNISON):

(10:32)

God is with us, loving us, inviting us forward with each new sunrise. Jesus is the Light of our world. The Spirit of grace and hope will show us the possibilities as we gather! Let us worship God. Amen.

GOD WELCOMES ALL (UNISON):

(1-10:32)

God welcomes all, strangers and friends; God's love is strong and it never ends.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (UNISON):

Loving God, as we hear your word proclaimed, keep our hearts and minds open to the Good News as we learn, grow, and serve. AMEN.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: NUMBERS 21:4-9 (NIV)

The people traveled from Mount Hor along the route to the Red Sea, to go around Edom. But the people grew impatient on the way; they spoke against God and against Moses, and said, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? There is no bread! There is no water! And we detest this miserable food!" Then the Lord sent venomous snakes among them; they bit the people and many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We sinned when we spoke against the Lord and against you. Pray that the Lord will take the snakes away from us." So Moses prayed for the people. The Lord said to Moses, "Make a snake and put it up on a pole; anyone who is bitten can look at it and live." So Moses made a bronze snake and put it up on a pole. Then when anyone was bitten by a snake and looked at the bronze snake, they lived.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: EPHESIANS 2:8-10 (NIV)

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

MESSAGE FOR KIDS:
PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

GOSPEL READING: JOHN 3:14-21 (NIV).

(10:38)

Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him." For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed. But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God.

MESSAGE: A SPIRITUAL VACCINE

FOR THE WORLD

JOHN 3:14-21, NUMBERS 21:4-9

REV. KEVIN YOHO

(10:40)

PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION:



ONLINE MUSIC (VIDEO LYRICS): GOD SO LOVED

(10:50)

Verse 1

Come all you weary

Come all you thirsty

Come to the well that never runs dry

Drink of the water

Come and thirst no more

Verse 2

Come all you sinners

Come find His mercy

Come to the table He will satisfy

Taste of His goodness

Find what you're looking for

Chorus

For God so loved the world that He gave us

His one and only Son to save us

Whoever believes in Him will live forever

Verse 3

Bring all your failures

Bring your addictions

Come lay them down at the foot of the cross

Jesus is waiting there

With open arms

Chorus

For God so loved the world that He gave us

His one and only Son to save us

Whoever believes in Him will live forever

The power of hell forever defeated

Now it is well I'm walking in freedom

For God so loved God so loved the world

Bridge x2
Praise God praise God
From whom all blessings flow
Praise Him praise Him
For the wonders of His love
Chorus

For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save

Final Verse

Bring all your failures

Bring your addictions

Come lay them down at the foot of the cross

Jesus is waiting

God so loved the world

CALL TO RECONCILIATION:

(10:54)

God loves you and nothing separates you from God's love. In a spirit of gratitude and honesty, let us pray together:

PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS:

(10:54)

Loving God, forgive us our sins, hurting or neglecting others, missing opportunities to serve. Help us turn around and live like Jesus, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SILENT REFLECTION:

HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE:

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven to show real love, grace, mercy, joy, peace... the fruit of the Spirit!

Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! AMEN.

THE GLORIA (SPOKEN)

(3) (10:56

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.

GIFTS OF GRATITUDE:

(10:57)

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PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

THE DOXOLOGY (SPOKEN)

(4) (10:58)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above the heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

(10:58

03/07: Guy K. 02/28: London (5) lost mother in car accident. Roger H. The Cianchetta Stringer family grieving loss of Donna, 65. Healing, Access to vaccines. Dave W., rehab. Jake L., rehab. 02/23: For all animals and shelters to successfully rescue pets at risk. 02/21: Carol C. needs pacemaker. People suffering from severe weather events. Vaccine distribution improvements. The McCue Family in the passing of their brother, Tom.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:

3/18 - Shirley Will; 3/20 - Larry Hume

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER (11:03)

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.

FRESH EXPRESSION OF COMMUNITY

(11:04)

Once we were strangers, **Now we are neighbors.** Once we were strangers, **Now we are friends.**

MUSIC: (VIDEO LYRICS) FOR BY GRACE YOU HAVE BEEN SAVED

(11:05)

Chorus (2x)

By grace we have been saved Saved by grace through faith Not because of what we do It is the gift of God

Verse1

On the days when you are weak On the days when you are strong Rich or poor, young or old Just listen to the song Chorus 2x Verse 2

Rest your body, rest your mind In the stillness you will find You're a lovely, precious child Part of the great design

Chorus 2X Final Verse

You don't need to be afraid You will never be alone There is mercy, there is hope And love will take you home Chorus 2x

BENEDICTION: REV. KEVIN YOHO (11:02)
POSTLUDE: JAYNE McDonough (11:05)

Worshippers may now depart in peace!

So glad you've joined us in-person or online. Please share your worship experience with others on Facebook and Instagram. View worship at any time on our Facebook page. Invite others to join you next week in-person or online.

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- 2. God So Loved: CCLI Song # 7138599
- 3. Gloria: Public Domain
- 4. Doxology: CCLI #4255578
- 5. For By Grace You Have Been Saved: CCLI # 5819133