



Let Us Worship God!

June 23, 2024—10:30 AM
Fifth Sunday After Pentecost



A Hybrid Worship Experience In-Person and Online

Today's worship team—Music Director: Jayne McDonough; Worship Leader: Robert Stiles;
Message: Pastor David Wenker; Production: Norris Clark



WELCOME!

WORSHIP YOUR WAY!

So glad you're here today.
Enjoy worship with your neighbors and be spiritually energized. Join us in-person in our beautiful, historic Red Brick Church or online: www.coldspringworship.com.

Be Involved

Be involved in doing good, for at the proper time good things will result if we do not give up.
Galatians 6:9



WORSHIP PREVIEW

Pastor Dave's message today is "Our Patient and Persistent God". When asked about our day we often say, "Same old, same old, different day". Jeremiah offers a different way of approaching each new day. In the midst of the everyday challenges and troubles of life, God offers fresh grace and mercy. God is faithful and patient and persistent in pursuing our hearts. We can choose an optimistic attitude when we are open to receive God's fresh gifts of grace each new day.

MUSIC PREVIEW

The gathering hymn, "Great is Thy Faithfulness", was written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22-23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.

"His Eye is On the Sparrow" is the hymn of meditation following the message. This hymn based on Jesus' saying about God's care for all creatures (Matthew 10:29-30/Luke 12:6-7) began with the refrain's last line, inspired by a woman who had endured much illness. It was first sung in public at the Royal Albert Hall, London, during evangelistic services in 1905.

The closing hymn is "It Is Well With My Soul". This text is a remarkable expression of faith born of grief. The author, an active Presbyterian layman who had just lost four daughters in a tragic shipwreck, wrote it while sailing to Paris to meet his wife, who had survived. The tune, Ville de Havre, was named for the ship that sank.

PRELUDE: JAYNE McDONOUGH

WELCOME: PASTOR DAVID WENKER

God Welcomes All (sing in unison):

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

(10:30)

CALL TO WORSHIP - (RESPONSIVE)

PORTIONS OF PSALM 27

One: The Lord is my light and my salvation -
whom shall I fear?

**Many: The Lord is the stronghold of my life -
of whom shall I be afraid?**

One: When evil advances against me to devour
my flesh,

**Many; when my enemies and my foes attack
me, they will stumble and fall**

One: Though an army besiege me, my heart will
not fear

**Many: Though war break out against me,
even then will I be confident.**

One: One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I
seek

**Many: That I may dwell in the house of the
Lord all the days of my life,**

One: to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to
seek him in his temple

Many: Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart

One: and wait for the Lord.

***OPENING HYMN: *GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS,*
BLUE HYMNAL #276**

**1. Great is Thy faithfulness,
O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not,
Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!**

**2. Summer and winter,
And springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars
In their courses above
Join with all nature
In manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!**

**Morning by morning New mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!**

**3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence
To cheer and to guide;
Strength for today
And bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning New mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!**

CALL TO RECONCILIATION - BOB STILES

God gathers and prepares us for worship. Let us confess the sins that detract and distract us from God's path.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Lord you know how much we dread feeling fear. We sometimes will avoid what you call us to do to protect ourselves. We don't want to share from our resources and funds out of fear we may not have enough. We fear looking foolish in the eyes of others so we

avoid looking religious. We fear we will not have enough energy or time so we avoid service that costs us. We fear surrender to You Lord because we don't know what You will ask of us. Forgive us dear Lord and grant to us the courage we need to choose faith rather than giving in to fear. We pray in Jesus name. AMEN

SILENT REFLECTION

HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE - (RESPONSIVE)

One: Friends hear the good news of the gospel. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

The old life has gone and a new life has begun.

Many: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***THE GLORIA**

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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Prepare our hearts and minds for the hearing of your Word, Holy God. Open us to your truth.

Humble us to your way. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 25:1-5, LAMENTATIONS 3: 22-23

Seventy Years of Captivity

The word came to Jeremiah concerning all the people of Judah in the fourth year of Jehoiakim son of Josiah king of Judah, which was the first year of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon. So Jeremiah the prophet said to all the people of Judah and to all those living in Jerusalem: For twenty-three years—from the thirteenth year of Josiah son of Amon king of Judah until this very day—the word of the LORD has come to me and I have spoken to you again and again, but you have not listened. And though the LORD has sent all his servants the prophets to you again and again, you have not listened or paid any attention. They said, “Turn now, each of you, from your evil ways and your evil practices, and you can stay in the land the LORD gave to you and your ancestors for ever and ever.

Because of the Lord’s great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 19: 1-10

Zacchaeus the Tax Collector

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy. He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way. When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, “Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.” So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly. All the people saw this and began to mutter, “He has gone to be the guest of a sinner.” But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, “Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount.” Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”

**Message: “Our Patient and Persistent God” -
Pastor David Wenker**

Prayer and Silent Reflection

***HYMN OF MEDITATION - *HIS EYE IS ON THE SPARROW*, RED HYMNAL #278**

**1. Why should I feel discouraged,
Why should the shadows come,
Why should my heart be lonely
And long for heaven and home,
When Jesus is my portion?
My constant Friend is He:
His eye is on the sparrow,
and I know He watches me;
His eye is on the sparrow,
and I know He watches me.
I sing because I'm happy,
I sing because I'm free,
For His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know He watches me.**

**2. "Let not your heart be troubled,"
His tender words I hear,
And resting on His goodness,
I lose my doubts and fears;
Tho' by the path He leadeth
but one step I may see:
His eye is on the sparrow,
and I know He watches me;
His eye is on the sparrow,
and I know He watches me.**

**I sing because I'm happy,
I sing because I'm free,
For His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know He watches me.**

**3. Whenever I am tempted,
whenever clouds arise,
When songs give place to singing,
When hope within me dies,
I draw the closer to Him,
from care He sets me free;
His eye is on the sparrow,
and I know He cares for me;
His eye is on the sparrow,
and I know He watches me.
I sing because I'm happy,
I sing because I'm free,
For His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know He watches me.**

***CONFESSIO OF FAITH - HEIDELBERG CATECHISM
(RESPONSIVE)**

Question - 1. What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

Answer - That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his

own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that every thing must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

GIFTS OF GRATITUDE

In gratitude to God for all our blessings, let us bless others with a portion of all we have been given. Let us present our offerings to God and God's ministry.

OFFERTORY -

***The Doxology** (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.**

Prayer of Gratitude

COMMUNITY NEWS:

Hospitality table after the service, outside under the trees! Please join us for light refreshments!

There is a sign up sheet, to assist with refreshments, in the narthex, if you'd like to help one Sunday.

Happy Birthday Blessings to: Fred Ferrari (6/24)
Janice Lewis (6/25)

Happy Anniversary to: Nancy & Joe Mautz (6/27)
Beverly & Kevin Mate (6/28)

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS -

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

(If you'd like to add to our prayer list, please complete a green Let's Pray card.)

Pray for: A Joy to have Dale & Jonna Myers family in church with them On Father's Day, including their son and daughter in law who are recovering from a serious accident; Ted and Janice Lewis as Ted's health is failing; Von George cancer has spread; Comfort for the friends and family of Gene Fanelli on her passing on 6/20.; Rev. Doug Madden in hospice care;; Tabernacle Methodist Church as they change Pastor's; Sue's Granddaughter as she graduates high school and enters the Coast Guard Academy; Bev Mate recovering from knee replacement; Lisa Ryan with family problems; the 2 families who lost their homes by fire in Larry Moyer's Community; Harley Shuler with Alzheimer's; Lori Shuler, her lymphoma has come out of remission and she's facing treatments again; Linda Kaempf is healing; Julie Groob 6/18 cancer surgery, in icu, prayers for recovery.

- Sandy Hook shooting survivors are now graduating from high school, Comfort for the families of the 20 children and 6 teachers who lost their lives in the 2012 tragedy

Continual prayer requested for: Those on hospice care: Marty; John Stalford, Gertrude Hess, Celeste Bashaw, Don's Dad, Ted Lewis; we Rev. Doug Madden

Those undergoing cancer treatment: Keith, Todd, Brian, Gerri Mills, Robin B, Mike, Kim, Steve, Rickey, Lorraine, Candy, Susan Craig, Donna, Liz, Jennifer & Julie.

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

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 - Bob Stiles

Once we were strangers,

Now we are neighbors.

Once we were strangers,

Now we are friends.

*SENDING HYMN - IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL

RED HYMNAL #223

1. 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.”**

**It is well (It is well)
with my soul, (with my soul),
It is well, it is well with my soul.**

**2. Though Satan should buffet,
Tho' trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded My helpless estate,
And hath shed His own blood for my soul.**

**It is well (It is well)
with my soul, (with my soul),
It is well, it is well with my soul.**

**3. My sin— O, 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!**

**It is well (It is well)
with my soul, (with my soul),
It is well, it is well with my soul.**

**4. And, Lord, haste the day
When the 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.
It is well (It is well)
with my soul, (with my soul),
It is well, it is well with my soul.**

BENEDICTION - PASTOR DAVID WENKER

POSTLUDE - JAYNE McDONOUGH

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6. *Doxology:* CCLI #425557
7. *It Is Well With My Soul;* Horatio Gates Spafford/Philip P. Bliss; CCLI #25376