

ONLINE WORSHIP BULLETIN FOR LIVESTREAM SERVICE OF WORSHIP
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH BAKERSFIELD, September 13, 2020, 9:30 AM

Opening Hymn: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Verse 1

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,
Center of unbroken praise.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day!

Verse 2

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee,
Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,
call us to rejoice in Thee.

Verse 3

Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,
all who live in love are Thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.

Verse 4

Mortals, join the mighty chorus
which the morning stars began;
Love Divine is reigning o'er us,
binding all with in its span.
Ever singing, march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife;
Joyful music leads us sun-ward,
in the triumph song of life.

Words: Henry Van Dyke, 1907; st. 4 alt. 1989

Music: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824; arr. By Edward Hodges, 1864

Invocation

Psalm Reading: Psalm 145:10-21

- ¹⁰All your works praise you, LORD;
your faithful people extol you.
- ¹¹They tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your might,
- ¹²so that all people may know of your mighty acts
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- ¹³Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures through all
generations.
- The LORD is trustworthy in all he promises
and faithful in all he does.
- ¹⁴The LORD upholds all who fall
and lifts up all who are bowed down.
- ¹⁵The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food at the proper time.
- ¹⁶You open your hand
and satisfy the desires of every living thing.
- ¹⁷The LORD is righteous in all his ways
and faithful in all he does.
- ¹⁸The LORD is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.
- ¹⁹He fulfills the desires of those who fear him;
he hears their cry and saves them.
- ²⁰The LORD watches over all who love him,
but all the wicked he will destroy.
- ²¹My mouth will speak in praise of the LORD.
Let every creature praise his holy name
for ever and ever.

Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)

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.

Announcements

Praise Song: “Goodness of God”

Verse 1

I love You Lord
Oh Your mercy never fails me
All of my days
I’ve been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

Chorus

All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God

Verse 2

I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night
You are close like no other
I’ve known You as a father
I’ve known You as a friend

I have lived in the goodness of God

Bridge

Your goodness is running after
It’s running after me
Your goodness is running after
It’s running after me
With my life laid down
I’m surrendered now
I give You everything
Your goodness is running after
It’s running after me

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Praise Song: “He Shall Reign”

Verse 1

Holy holy holy
Our God is on the throne
So firm is His foundation
No power can overthrow

Chorus

And He shall reign
Forever and ever

Verse 2

One name outlasts the ages
Through time His truth revealed
While kings may pass like shadows
Our God is sovereign still

Bridge

To the Lamb upon the throne
Hallelujah hallelujah
To the Lord forevermore

Hallelujah hallelujah

Hallelujah hallelujah
Hallelujah hallelujah

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Verse 3
The day I stand before Him
What praise will fill my soul
And there behold His glory
And praise Him all the more

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 11:5-8; 2 Corinthians 4:16-18, 5:5-10

⁵ By faith Enoch was taken from this life, so that he did not experience death: “He could not be found, because God had taken him away.” For before he was taken, he was commended as one who pleased God. ⁶ And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

2 Corinthians 4:16-18

¹⁶ Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal

2 Corinthians 5:5-10

⁵ Now the one who has fashioned us for this very purpose is God, who has given us the Spirit as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come. ⁶ Therefore we are always confident and know that as long as we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord. ⁷ For we live by faith, not by sight. ⁸ We are confident, I say, and would prefer to

⁷ By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By his faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that is in keeping with faith. ⁸ By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going.

glory that far outweighs them all. ¹⁸ So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹ So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it. ¹⁰ For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

Message: “Walk By Faith”

“For we live by faith, not by sight,” 2nd Corinthians 5:7

Faith is hope with its _____.

A Spiritual Thing

Yet behind, beneath, and around this life and world is a _____ reality.

Hebrews 11:3: *“By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things which are visible.”*

Read also Joshua 6:2

Original Intent

Right from the beginning, with Adam and Eve, God intended for humans _____ with Him. Read Genesis 3:8.

To walk with God means to walk in the _____ life, since God is spirit.

Walking by faith in God means to trust God, even when you _____ the road ahead.

Faith is as _____ to us just as blood is to human life or oxygen is to our lungs.

Answer God’s Call

The call is to walk with Him *and* to be _____ to call to others.

Read Genesis 5:24

Genesis 5:9 – *“Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his time;” Noah walked with God.*

Abraham: *“Now the Lord said to Abram, ‘Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you,’”* Genesis 12:1.

“...walk before me and be thou perfect,” Genesis 17:1

Moses: *“There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush . . . God called to him out of the bush. . .”* Exodus 3:2-3.

When’s the last time God has _____ to you from a burning bush?

Disciples of Jesus

The figures from the Bible . . . are remembered simply as examples of faith in God . . . faith leading to _____.

God Calls You

To walk by faith is _____ just an exercise for the pastor or other church leaders.

Believers who humbly walked by faith were the ones who changed _____ for the better.

“Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen,” Hebrews 11:1

Invitation to Give

Hymn "Trust and Obey"

Verse 1

When we walk with the Lord
In the light of His word,
What a glory He sheds on our way!
While we do His good will,
He abides with us still,
And with all who will trust and obey,

Refrain

*Trust and obey,
For there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus,
But to trust and obey.*

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Music: Daniel B. Towner, 1887
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Verse 3

But we never can prove
The delights of His love
Until all on the altar we lay;
For the favor He shows,
For the joy He bestows,
Are for them who will trust and obey.

Verse 4

Then is fellowship sweet
We will sit at His feet,
Or we'll walk by His side in the way;
What He says we will do,
Where He sends we will go;
Never fear, only trust and obey.

Benediction

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host!
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!
Amen, Amen, Amen! God, we praise You!
God, we praise You!

Participating in today's live stream service:

Dr. Richard Thompson, *Pastor*
Andrew Irvin, *Director of Worship and Music*

Psalm Reading: Lena Claire Wilson
Scripture: Nancy Phillips
Offering Talk: Jo Anne Coston
Announcements: Christie Howell

Greeters: Marti Ingalls, Sheryl Gallion, Bryan
Cowdan, JoAnne Coston
Jindel Santos, Odel Santos

Instrumentalists: Organ: Rebecca Spickler; Piano: Andrew
Irvin/Dumisani Irvin; Keyboard: Aaron Thompson; Guitar:
Beren Canlas; Drums: Dumisani Irvin Vocals: Andrew Irvin,
Michael Canlas, Sizakele Irvin
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French; *Projection:* Lucas Metcalf

Safety Team: Dusty Ramey, Ray Bowles, Rich
McDonald
Ushers: Bonnie Bowles, Bonnie Casola, Greg
Perrone, Joyce Perrone, Tony Castro

Announcements & Information: September 13, 2020

In Person Worship Resumes TODAY! In person worship in the Sanctuary will resume 9:30 AM today, with all the health protocols (masks, hand sanitizer, etc.) as we followed earlier this summer. The live stream service will also be available at 9:30 AM for those wanting to watch it live online at home, or at a time of their choosing.

FUMC's In Person Morning Devotion and Fellowship will continue on Sundays at 7:30 AM, in the courtyard area of rooms 1-9. Pastor Richard will be hosting a short devotional with time to fellowship, socially distanced of course! Please wear a mask, park in the north lot under the solar panels, and enter at the north gate.

Blood Drive, September 20. If you are interested in participating in our annual FUMC Blood Drive please contact Duane Spickler at 661-331-8090 (text or call) and let him know.

Facebook Live Connect is offered on Wednesdays at 7:30 PM. You can join via Zoom or Facebook Live. This will be in place of the coed Refuel group for the next 6-8 weeks. Anyone can join (see the article in the September *Spirit*). Andrew is leading a study of 1 Peter beginning with a song, and after the Bible discussion we will have a brief time of meditation and prayer. Please join us Wednesday nights! For information, please contact Andrew: andrew.irvin@fumcbakersfield.org.

Communication Card: Thank you to all who are filling out the online communication card! It helps us know which of our members are able to join us online and who is not, and gives you an opportunity to communicate with us as well. By **clicking "add additional online attendee"** you can register any human watching with you (husband, wife, children, grandparents, neighbors, etc.). Please register your attendance anytime you view the worship service, especially before the following Tuesday morning when the office staff takes the final count.

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Your ministry staff members love and care about you and everyone in our First Church family! Our office is staffed during this time, and hours remain 9 am – 4 pm Monday through Thursday, and 9 am to 1 pm on Fridays.