ONLINE WORSHIP BULLETIN FOR LIVESTREAM SERVICE OF WORSHIP FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH BAKERSFIELD, January 16, 2022

Announcements

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Word of Welcome | Invocation

Pastor Richard

Hymn: "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Kathleen Schaffer, Soloist

Vs. 1)

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light: Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home. Vs. 3)

When the darkness appears and the night draws near, and the day is past and gone, at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand: Take my hand, precious Lord lead me home.

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Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Richard

Praise Song: "Be Still"

Michael Canlas, soloist

Verse 1 Be still and know That the Lord is in control Be still my soul Stand and watch as giants fall

Chorus I won't be afraid You are here You silence all my fear I won't be afraid You don't let go Be still my heart and know I won't be afraid Verse 2 Be still and trust What the Lord has said is done Find rest don't strive Watch as faith and grace align

Bridge

Surely love and mercy Your peace and kindness Will follow me will follow me Your love surrounds me Your love surrounds me here

Interlude Whenever I'm lost, and life's unstable, You lift me up; You're the God who's able.

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Message: "Starting the New Year with Determination"

God's _______ is available to us for each day we face

Worry

Do not be anxious about anything, Philippians 4:6.

_____ is like a thin stream of fear trickling through the mind.

Read Matthew 6:27.

Read Matthew 6:34.

- Worry focuses on the problem, not the ______
- Worry causes us to ______ responsibility that belongs only to God.
- Worry saps our _____ and drains our energy.
- Worry keeps us sidetracked when we could be doing ______.

Humble Evaluation

Read and repeat Phil. 3:12a.

He _____ that he is a sinner saved by grace;

Because of his new life in Christ Paul could see more clearly his ______.

you can't get better until you come to grips with ______.

It's easy to become insensitive to sin because you think you are above it or can't see it ______

Jesus is a wonderful Savior, and He is ______ we are not.

Holy Aspiration

Read Phil. 3:12b. The supreme purpose of my life is to discover _____ purpose for me! Read also Phil. 3:13. focus on the one thing needful: looking to the heavenly goal of winning the prize which is life

Read *Well done, good and faithful servant. Enter into the joy of the Lord,* Matt. 25:21. Forgetting some things can be _____:

Press On To What Is Ahead

 Read Phil. 3:14.

 William Borden: In the back of his Bible, he wrote two words: ______!

 two more words: _____!

 His last two words: ______!

 to end well we must also ______well.

 Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid, Matt. 14:27.

The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you, **Deut. 31:8.**

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!

Announcements & Information: January 16, 2022

Church Office Hours until Friday, January 21 are 9 AM – 12 PM Monday through Friday. We are limiting in person visits to the office. If you need to drop something off, there is a mail slot to the right of the office double doors. Call us at 325-1267 if you need us. We are still available by phone. (We are closed Jan. 17th for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)

Senior Get-A-Way is on a break for January, but will start up again on Wednesday February 2, 2022 at 10 AM.

Small Groups - your small group leader will contact you about any changes in schedule or meeting.

Human Relations Offering: Today in the United Methodist Church is Human Relations Day. A special offering is taken (joined by other UMC congregations) to support neighborhood ministries through Community Developers, community advocacy through United Methodist Voluntary Services and work with at-risk youth through the Youth Offender Rehabilitation Programs.

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