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Worship Sunday — June 23, 2024

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Today's service will be recorded.

WORSHIP — SUNDAY JUNE 23, 2024

PRELUDE

On Eagles' Wings arr. Douglas Wagner

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Reebee Girash and Sarah Jane Fuller

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rich Edmiston

ONE: Peace be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

ONE: Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rich Edmiston

(adapted from Psalm 133)

ONE: How very good and pleasant it is when the beloved community live together in unity!

ALL: It is like the precious oil on our heads which anoints our worship and praise.

ONE: It is like a soft mist, which falls on the mountains of the earth.

ALL: For there God has ordained the blessing, life forevermore.

*OPENING HYMN

Great Is Your Faithfulness — Black Hymnal 423

Lam. 3:22-23

Thomas O. Chisholm, 1923; alt.

1 Great is your faith-ful-ness, O God, Cre - a - tor,*
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring-time and har - vest,
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace so en - dur - ing,

with you no shad - ow of turn - ing we see.
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove,
 your own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide.

You do not change, your com - pas - sions they fail not;
 Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

all of your good - ness for - ev - er will be.
 to your great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 bless - ings all mine with ten thou - sand be - side.

Refrain

Great is your faith-ful-ness! Great is your faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by

morn-ing new mer - cies I see; All I have need - ed your

hand has pro - vid - ed, Great is your faith - ful - ness, God, un - to me!

*originally "my Father"

This hymn was one of a number sent by poet Thomas O. Chisholm to composer William M. Runyan for musical settings. It became a favorite of Will Houghton, president of Moody Bible Institute, whose enthusiasm helped establish its popularity.

Tune: FAITHFULNESS 11.10.11.10. with refrain
 William M. Runyan, 1923

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1 Great is your faithfulness, O God Creator,
with you no shadow of turning we see.

You do not change, your compassions they fail not;
All of your goodness forever will be.

Refrain:

Great is your faithfulness! Great is your faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

All I have needed your hand has provided:

Great is your faithfulness, God, 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 your great faithfulness, mercy, and love. [Refrain]

3 Pardon for sin and a peace so enduring,

Your own dear presence to cheer and to guide.

Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,

blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]

OPENING PRAYER

Rich Edmiston

Dear precious God, be upon us this day in our worship and praise. Strengthen our faith in the teachings of Christ and may the Holy Spirit be our guide as we pray and discern our gathering as your church to be the disciples of God's realm in the world today. We pray this in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mark 4:35-41

Rich Edmiston

³⁵On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side.' ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?' ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?'

ONE: Here ends the reading. Hear what the Spirit of God is saying to the church.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Reebee Girash

*RESPONSE HYMN

Jesus Savior Pilot Me — Black Hymnal 441

Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

441

Edward Hopper, 1871; alt.

Mark 4:35-41



1 Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me o - ver life's tem-pes-tuous sea;
2 As a moth - er stills her child, you can hush the o - cean wild;
3 When at last I near the shore, and the fear - ful break-ers roar,



Un - known waves be - fore me roll, hid - ing rock and treach-erous shoal;
Bois-terous waves o - bey your will when you say to them, "Be still."
Keep-ing me from peace-ful rest, then, while lean-ing on your breast,



Chart and com - pass ev - er be; Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
Won-drous Sov - ereign of the sea, Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
May I hear your words so true, "Fear not, I will pi - lot you."



Inspired by the many sailors in his congregation in New York City, Edward Hopper wrote these lines. They were first sung for an anniversary service of the American Seamen's Friend Society at Broadway Tabernacle (Congregational).

Tune: PILOT 7.7.7.7.7.
John E. Gould, 1871

Jesus, Savior, pilot me over life's
tempestuous sea;
Unknown waves before me roll,
Hiding rocks and treacherous shoal;
Chart and compass ever be;-
Jesus, Savior, pilot me!

2 As a mother stills her child,
you can hush the ocean wild;
Boisterous waves obey you will
when thou say to them, "Be still."
Wondrous Sovereign of the sea,
Jesus, Savior, pilot me!

3 When at last I near the shore,
and the fearful breakers roar,
Keeping me from peaceful rest,
then, while leaning on your breast,
May I hear your words so true,
"Fear not, I will pilot you." Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Rev. Reebee Girash

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Reebee Girash

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father (Creator), 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.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Rev. Reebee Girash

OFFERTORY

Albumleaf — F. Chopin

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen *or*

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O Holy One, with gratefulness we offer and dedicate these gifts for the continuation of our work in Christ's Name. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise — arr. Larry Shackley

**Please be in a posture of praise.*

SOURCE NOTES

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Liturgist, Rich Edmiston
and our Zoom hosts, Doug
Johnston and Zac Girash

Please note: The video of this service is posted online. If you prefer not to be filmed, please sit near the rear of the sanctuary.



Be Still, My Soul

Katharina von Schlegel, 1697-?
Tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813-1897

FINLANDIA 10.10.10.10.10.
Jean Sibelius, 1865-1957

In unison

1 Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side; Bear pa-tient-
2 Be still, my soul: thy God doth un-der-take To guide the
3 Be still, my soul: the hour is has-tening on When we shall

ly the cross of grief or pain; Leave to thy God to
fu-ture as he has the past. Thy hope, thy con-fi-
be for-ev-er with the Lord, When dis-ap-point-ment,

or-der and pro-vide; In ev-ery change he
dence let noth-ing shake; All now mys-te-rious
grief, and fear are gone, Sor-row for-got, love's

faith-ful will re-main. Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heav-en-ly
shall be bright at last. Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still
pur-est joys re-stored. Be still, my soul: when change and tears are

friend Through thorn-y ways leads to a joy-ful end.
know His voice who ruled them while he dwelt be-low.
past, All safe and bless-ed we shall meet at last.

1 Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side;

Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;

Leave to thy God to order and provide;

In every change he faithful will remain.

Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heavenly friend

Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

2 Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake

To guide the future as he has the past.

Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;

All now mysterious shall be bright at last.

Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know

His voice who ruled them while he dwelt below.

3 Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on

When we shall be forever with the Lord,

When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,

Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.

Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,

All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.