

# September 12, 2021 At Home Bulletin

## **GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the Lord, and forget not all His benefits, Who forgives iniquity and heals our diseases,

Who redeems our lives from the pit,
Who crowns us with steadfast love and mercy,

Who satisfies us with good so that our youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, Bless His Holy Name!

Adapted from Ps 103

#### **INVOCATION\***

#### **SONGS OF PRAISE\***

#### How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent Word! What more can he say than to you he has said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed; for I am your God, and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through the deep waters I call you to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; for I will be with you, your troubles to bless, and sanctify to you your deepest distress. "When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply; the flame shall not hurt you; I only design your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

"E'en down to old age all my people shall prove my sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love; and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn, like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

"The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to his foes; that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

Text: Rippon's *Selection of Hymns*, 1787; alt.; mod.

Tune: FOUNDATION, Traditional American Melody

# We Will Feast in the House of Zion

#### Chorus:

We will feast in the house of Zion. We will sing with our hearts restored. He has done great things, we will say together. We will feast and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire; He is the Lord, our God. We are not consumed by the flood; upheld, protected, gathered up. *(chorus)* 

In the dark of night, before the dawn, my soul, be not afraid. For the promised morning, oh, how long? Oh God of Jacob, be my strength. *(chorus)* 

Ev'ry vow we've broken and betrayed, You are the faithful one. And from the garden to the grave,

bind us together, bring shalom. (chorus)

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#### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

Incarnate God, you came to rid us of our slavery to sin and grant us an eternal inheritance.

We confess that we often live as misers instead of heirs of the King.

Often we ignore the needy, show indifference to the lonely, and reject those who seem different from us.

Hear our prayer and grant us mercy, O Lord.

Forgive us for having eyes

only for our present circumstances,

instead of living with confidence in our sure hope.

Help uncurl our fingers,

which grasp so tightly to our time and treasure.

Teach us to use all we have for your glory and service.

Make us into vehicles of blessing.

## SILENT CONFESSION

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ephesians 2:8-10

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

#### PROFESSION OF FAITH

Who were we?

For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—everyone—to his own way.

Who are we?

For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame."

For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for we are all one in Christ Jesus. And if we are Christ's, then we are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

Who will we be?

Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet.

For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed.

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man.

He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.

He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.

Adapted from Is 53; Rom 3; 10; I Cor 15; Rev 21

#### CHILDREN'S SERMON

#### **OFFERING OUR GIFTS**

#### **PRAYER**

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

#### **HYMN OF PREPARATION \***

Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God

And His righteousness;

And all these things shall be added unto you.

Allelu, alleluia.

Ask and it shall be given unto you;

Seek and you shall find;

Knock and the door shall be opened unto you,

Allelu, alleluia.

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#### **SCRIPTURE READING**

Matthew 6:1-4

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

#### **SERMON**

"For His Eyes Only"

Pastor Ian Hard

**OUTLINE**:

**Righteous Actions** 

Righteous Methods

## Righteous Motives

#### **HYMN OF RESPONSE\***

#### 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.

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#### **CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION**

If you are following along at home, please refrain from taking Communion as it is a form of worship meant to be celebrated in the physical presence of the body of Christ

#### **HYMN OF SENDING**

# All for Jesus

All for Jesus! All for Jesus! All my being's ransomed pow'rs: all my thoughts and words and doings, all my days and all my hours.

Let my hands perform his bidding, let my feet run in his ways; let my eyes see Jesus only, let my lips speak forth his praise.

Worldlings prize their gems of beauty, cling to gilded toys of dust, boast of wealth and fame and pleasure; only Jesus will I trust.

Since my eyes were fixed on Jesus, I've lost sight of all beside; so enchained my spirit's vision, looking at the Crucified.

## **BENEDICTION\***