

HOPE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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MICAH 7:18-19

JANUARY 3, 2021

PRELUDE

PSALM 46 (LORD OF HOSTS)

2015 Jennie Lee Riddle Music

O come behold the works of God The nations at His feet
He breaks the bow and bends the spear And tells the wars to cease

O Mighty One of Israel You are on our side
We walk by faith in God who burns the chariots with fire

**Lord of hosts You're with us With us in the fire
With us as a Shelter With us in the storm
You will lead us through the fiercest battle
O where else would we go But with the Lord of hosts**

O God of Jacob fierce and great You lift Your voice to speak
The earth it bows and all the mountains move into the sea
O Lord You know the hearts of men And still You let them live
O God who makes the mountains melt Come wrestle us and win
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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Calling upon the presence of God in worship

CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM 27:1-4;13-14

*Bold to be read by congregation

- L: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
- P: The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?**
- L: When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh,
my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall.
- P: Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;
though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.**
- L: One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple.
- P: I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD
in the land of the living.**
- ALL: Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage;
wait for the LORD!**

IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE

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Immortal invisible God only wise
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes
Most blessed most glorious the Ancient of Days
Almighty victorious Thy great name we praise

Unresting unhasting and silent as light
Nor wanting nor wasting Thou rulest in might
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love

Great Father of glory pure Father of light
Thine angels adore Thee all veiling their sight
All praise we would render O help us to see
Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee

SCRIPTURE READING & CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Declaration of the forgiveness of sins through the gospel

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I WILL WAIT FOR YOU (PSALM 130)

Jordan Kauflin | Keith Getty | Matthew Merker | Stuart Townend

Shane and Shane version

Out of the depths I cry to You
In darkest places I will call
Incline Your ear to me anew
And hear my cry for mercy Lord

Were You to count my sinful ways
How could I come before Your throne?
Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze
I stand redeemed by grace alone

**I will wait for You I will wait for You
On Your word I will rely
I will wait for You Surely wait for You
Till my soul is satisfied**

So put Your hope in God alone
Take courage in His power to save
Completely and forever won
By Christ's emerging from the grave **(Chorus)**

Now He has come to make a way
And God Himself has paid the price
That all who trust in Him today
Find healing in His sacrifice

**I will wait for You I will wait for You
On Your word I will rely
I will wait for You Surely wait for You
Till my soul is satisfied**

**I will wait for You I will wait for You
Through the storm and through the night
I will wait for You Surely wait for You
For Your love is my delight**

CONFESSING OUR FAITH

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM LORD'S DAY 1

Q1 What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A That I am not my own, but belong - body and soul, in life and in death - to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Q2 What must you know to live and die in the joy of this comfort?

A Three things:

first, how great my sin and misery are;

second, how I am set free from all my sins and misery;

third, how I am to thank God for such deliverance.

The Good News We Almost Forgot: Rediscovering the Gospel in a 16th Century Catechism by Kevin DeYoung © 2010

MISSIONS MOMENT

ELDER PRAYER

Offering our thanksgivings and supplications to God

PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR THE WORD

COME THOU LONG-EXPECTED JESUS

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Come Thou long-expected Jesus Born to set Thy people free
From our fears and sins release us Let us find our rest in Thee
Israel's Strength and Consolation Hope of all the earth Thou art
Dear Desire of every nation Joy of every longing heart

Born Thy people to deliver Born a child and yet a King
Born to reign in us forever Now Thy gracious kingdom bring
By Thine own eternal Spirit Rule in all our hearts alone
By Thine all-sufficient merit Raise us to Thy glorious throne

SERMON

ISAIAH 8

Rev. Blake Wingfield

Lined area for sermon notes, consisting of 20 horizontal lines.

Isaiah 8

Then the Lord said to me, "Take a large tablet and write on it in common characters, 'Belonging to Maher-shalal-hash-baz.'² And I will get reliable witnesses, Uriah the priest and Zechariah the son of Jeberechiah, to attest for me."³ And I went to the prophetess, and she conceived and bore a son. Then the Lord said to me, "Call his name Maher-shalal-hash-baz;⁴ for before the boy knows how to cry 'My father' or 'My mother,' the wealth of Damascus and the spoil of Samaria will be carried away before the king of Assyria."⁵ The Lord spoke to me again:⁶ "Because this people has refused the waters of Shiloah that flow gently, and rejoice over Rezin and the son of Remaliah,⁷ therefore, behold, the Lord is bringing up against them the waters of the River, mighty and many, the king of Assyria and all his glory. And it will rise over all its channels and go over all its banks,⁸ and it will sweep on into Judah, it will overflow and pass on, reaching even⁹ to the neck, and its outspread wings will fill the breadth of your land, O Immanuel."⁹ Be broken, you peoples, and be shattered; give ear, all you far countries; strap on your armor and be shattered; strap on your armor and be shattered.¹⁰ Take counsel together, but it will come to nothing; speak a word, but it will not stand, for God is with us.¹¹ For the Lord spoke thus to me with his strong hand upon me, and warned me not to walk in the way of this people, saying:¹² "Do not call conspiracy all that this people calls conspiracy, and do not fear what they fear, nor be in dread.¹³ But the Lord of hosts, him you shall honor as holy. Let him be your fear, and let him be your dread.¹⁴ And he will become a sanctuary and a stone of offense and a rock of stumbling to both houses of Israel, a trap and a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem.¹⁵ And many shall stumble on it. They shall fall and be broken; they shall be snared and taken."¹⁶ Bind up the testimony; seal the teaching among my disciples.¹⁷ I will wait for the Lord, who is hiding his face from the house of Jacob, and I will hope in him.¹⁸ Behold, I and the children whom the Lord has given me are signs and portents in Israel from the Lord of hosts, who dwells on Mount Zion.¹⁹ And when they say to you, "Inquire of the mediums and the necromancers who chirp and mutter," should not a people inquire of their God? Should they inquire of the dead on behalf of the living?²⁰ To the teaching and to the testimony! If they will not speak according to this word, it is because they have no dawn.²¹ They will pass through the land, greatly distressed and hungry. And when they are hungry, they will be enraged and will speak contemptuously against their king and their God, and turn their faces upward.²² And they will look to the earth, but behold, distress and darkness, the gloom of anguish. And they will be thrust into thick darkness.

SONG OF RESPONSE

IT IS WELL

Words Horatio G. Spafford (1873)|Music Philip Paul Bliss (1876)

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way
When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot, Thou has 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**

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come
Let this blest assurance control
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate
And hath shed His own blood for my soul **(Chorus)**

My sin, oh, 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! **(Chorus)**

And Lord, haste the day when my 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 **(Chorus)**

BENEDICTION

Pronouncement of God's blessing

OPPORTUNITIES

CONNECTING AT HOPE

YLIFE Events:

- Our next **YLIFE** meeting will be **January 10th**. We will begin our new teaching series: "Ask Me Anything!" We'll be answering all your questions about the Bible, Theology, Christian life and culture. Please place your anonymous questions in the dropbox in the youth room.

Family Devotional Bible Study: Through the month of January, we will have a family devotional via Zoom beginning Thursday evening, January 7, at 7PM. We will be studying "The Good News We Almost Forgot", a commentary on the Heidelberg Catechism by Kevin DeYoung.

Women's Bible Study Tuesdays at 6:30AM: Join us as we study the gospel of Luke together. We will resume on Tuesday, January 12th, 6:30-7:30AM at Hope. Please contact Katie Boomer (757-771-1500) for more information.

Hymn Sing and Prayer Service: Plan to attend Sunday, January 24, at 6PM for a time of singing and prayer.

Hope's Got Talent: This year has brought so much change, but one thing hasn't changed - our talented church! We are recreating our talent show into an online event where everyone can showcase their talent via video. Please email your recorded acts to Melanie Mitchell - redcrownfarm@gmail.com. The deadline for video entrees will be Monday, February 1st. Video acts are limited to 5 minutes. The show will be released on our YouTube channel on February 8th. Contact Melanie if you need assistance filming your act.

SERVING HOPE AND OUR COMMUNITY

Baby Bottle Campaign: From November 29 - January 17, the Hope Missions Team will be having a fundraising campaign for the Crisis Pregnancy Center in Suffolk. Baby bottles are laid out on the table in the Narthex that each family can take home and fill with money, and return on January 17th. This is a great way to involve children and have the entire family participate in helping a great local non-profit. Please pick up a baby bottle as we partner with the CPC and assist in their mission to help women and their unborn children!

MISSIONS UPDATE



JEFF LEE

RUF/Christopher Newport University

Jeff grew up in Loudoun County, VA. He graduated from CNU with a bachelor in Business Administration in 2008 and received his Masters of Divinity from Reformed Theological Seminary in Washington, DC. He and his wife, Alisha, were married in 2012 and have 3 children, Jeffrey Jr., Lilian, and Jameson. Jeff became the Campus Minister at CNU in June of 2015. He asks us to pray for continued emotional and spiritual resilience as student morale is low due to increasing restrictions on and off campus. Also pray that these trials would lead the students to the Lord and deeper relationships with Him.

PRAYER

HEALTH CONCERNS

Kim Atkinson	Kaye Pruitt	Jane Stephens
Tammy Lindsay	Don Soles	Max Stephens

UPDATES AND PRAISE REPORTS

- Pray for a complete recovery for **Steve McGrath** following surgery that occurred on 11/03/2020.
- Thank you for all your prayers for **Annabelle Kirkham**. Please pray that medication will continue to effectively control her seizures, and that answers will be found as to the cause of her condition and some lingering symptoms.

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Our Mission is to glorify and enjoy God by exalting His name, equipping His people, encouraging His children, and expanding His Kingdom.