



West Richmond Church of the Brethren

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“Continuing the work of Jesus. Peacefully. Simply. Together.”

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3rd Sunday of Easter

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

On Eagle’s Wings

by Carter

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

Opening Words

based on Psalm 91

Those who dwell in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. Surely, He will save you from the deadly pestilence. A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand but it will not come near you. For He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. “Because they love me,” says the Lord, “I will rescue them.”

Opening Prayer

Our Loving God, let us find refuge beneath your wings, healing in body and spirit, and a hope for a brighter tomorrow, Be with us in our time of need, we pray. Amen.

Song

O God, our help in ages past

#328 (1,6)

*O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home;*

*O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
be thou our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.*

CELEBRATE GOD'S FAMILY

Time with Our Children

Congregational Prayer

Special Music *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

Scripture Lesson I Corinthians 1:18-25 (NRSV)

Christ the Power and Wisdom of God

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Sermon A Fool for Christ

GO IN GOD'S NAME

Closing Song *My hope is built on nothing less* #343 (1,2)

*My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and
righteousness. I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly*

*lean on Jesus' name.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all
other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.*

*When darkness veils his loving face, I rest up on un -
changing grace. In ev'ry rough and stormy gale, my anchor
holds with in the vale.*

*On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all
other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.*

Benediction

re-Worship

As we end our time together, remember the promise of God:

*I will rescue those who love me.
I will protect those who trust in my name.
When they call on me, I will answer
I will be with them in trouble.
I will rescue them and honor them.*

So go from here with joy, confident that the love and mercy
of God goes with you.

Postlude

Blessed Assurance

by Knapp

KEEPING IN PRAYER

Kevin Beers

Richard Barry

The Whitten Family

Richard Shreckhise

June Diehl

Joel Guyer's Brother-in-law, Dale Stern

Shawn Baker's Mother, Francine Baker and Grandmother, Emma
Watson

The COVID-19 Pandemic and all those impacted.



Pastor..... David Whitten

Time with Our Children..... Sarah & Ava Beers

Pianist..... Bob Phillips