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Strengthen your hearts,
for the coming of the
Lord is near.





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Bible Sunday

Welcome

Organ Prelude

Praise Him

Stanley Saxton

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

* Call to Worship

Katherine Hawker

One: Are any among you suffering?

Many: Then let us pray.

One: Are any cheerful?

Many: Then let us sing songs of praise.

One: Are any among you sick?

Many: Then let us turn to each other for God's healing touch.

One: The prayer of faith will save us

Many: And God will lift us up.

* Opening Prayer

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Christ Jesus, we come into your presence from many different places. We come with songs of joy and shouts of gratitude. We come carrying heavy burdens and sighs of suffering. As you welcome us into your house, lift our burdens and receive our praise. Salt us with your grace and flavor us with your mercy. Bind us together, that we may be at peace with one another and be strengthened to go forth in service to the world. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

Verse 1:

Spirit of God! descend upon my heart.
Wean it from earth, through all its pulses move.
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art,
and make me love thee as I ought to love.

Verse 2:

I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies,
no sudden rending of the veil of clay,
no angel visitant, no op'ning skies,
but take the dimness of my soul away.

Verse 3:

Hast thou not bid us love thee, Holy One?
All, all thine own: soul, heart, and strength, and mind.
I see thy cross—there call my heart to run.
Oh, let me seek thee, and oh, let me find!

Verse 4:

Teach me to feel that thou art always nigh.
Teach me the struggles of the soul to bear,
to check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh;
teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

Verse 5:

Teach me to love thee as thine angels love,
one holy passion filling all my frame;
the baptism of the heav'n-descended dove,
my heart an altar, and thy love the flame.

CELEBRATE GOD'S FAMILY

Bible Presentation

Time with our Children

Song

All Who Are Thirsty (2x)

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All Who Are Thirsty by Brenton Brown, Glenn Robertson
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Verse: All who are thirsty,
all who are weak,
come to the fountain.
Dip your heart in the stream of life.
Let the pain and the sorrow
be washed away
in the waves of God's mercy,
as deep cries out to deep.
We sing...

Refrain:

Come, Lord Jesus, come. Come, Lord Jesus, come.
Holy Spirit, come. Holy Spirit, come.

New Testament Reading

I Corinthians 13:13 (*NRSVUE*)

¹³ And now faith, hope, and love remain, these three, and the greatest of these is love.

Pastoral Prayer

WORSHIP IN GIVING

Thoughts on Giving

The Creator Spirit who clothed us with the flowers of the field will enable us to rejoice in all the gifts with which God gives us. And may that be enough for us.

LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

Special Music

O Searcher of Hearts

Gene Clark

Scripture Lesson

James 5:7-11 (NRSVUE)

⁷ Be patient, therefore, brothers and sisters, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. ⁸ You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. ⁹ Brothers and sisters, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! ¹⁰ As an example of suffering and patience, brothers and sisters, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. ¹¹ Indeed, we call blessed those who showed endurance. You have heard of the endurance of Job, and you have seen the outcome that the Lord brought about, for the Lord is compassionate and merciful.

Sermon

“Patience with God, Self, and Others”

GO IN GOD’S NAME

* Closing Song

Be Still, My Soul

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Verse 1:

Be still, my soul! for God is on your side;
bear patiently the cross of grief or pain:
leave to your God to order and provide,
who through all changes faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul! your best, your heav’nly Friend
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Verse 2:

Be still, my soul! for God will undertake
to guide the future surely as the past.
Your hope, your confidence, let nothing shake;
all now mysterious shall be clear at last.
Be still, my soul! the waves and winds still know
the voice that calmed their fury long ago.

Verse 3:

Be still, my soul! the hour is hastening on
when we shall be forever in God's peace;
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
love's joys restored, our strivings all shall cease.
Be still my soul! when change and tears are past,
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

*** Benediction**

Postlude

The Lord Bless You And Keep You

Peter Lutkin

The Lord bless you and keep you, The Lord lift his
countenance upon you: And give you peace, and give you
peace. The Lord make his face to shine upon you, And be
gracious unto you, and be gracious unto you. AMEN

* Please stand as able and led



Ministers	All Members
Pastor.....	David Whitten
Children's Time	Sarah Hartman
Speaker.....	David Shumate
Special Music	Bob Phillips
Flautist	Sarah Hartman
Guitarist.....	David Whitten
Organist/Pianist	Bob Phillips
Violinist	Bill Kinzie
Dir. of Tech. & Media.....	Kevin Beers