

Order of Worship

November 8th 2020 ~ 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, and Peace

Call to Worship

We are called to be people of faith in the midst of the world.
We gather here as people who live in the world and yet,
**we gather as people who have been called to see the world
from a different viewpoint.**
God has called us together,
God has called us to be part of a community.
**God challenges us to consider questions of priority
as we engage with the world.**
In this time together,
may God open our hearts, minds and eyes,
allowing us to see deeper,
helping us to live in the world
while still offering a challenge to the ways of the world.
We pray in Jesus' name.
Amen.

– adapted from Rev Gord

Hymn of Praise

[*I Am Sure*](#)

Verse 1

Every choice I make I second guess
A thousand questions ringing in my
head
I look down every road
There's so much that's still unknown
to me

Chorus 1

But I am sure of this
That Your faithfulness
Never ends never fades
It's the brightest star in the deepest
dark
I place my hope in the truth I know
No matter what this life may bring
Your love will not let go
I am sure oh oh oh
I am sure oh oh oh

Verse 2

You're steady when uncertainties
arise
Strong though I'm pressed from
every side
Your love will hold me fast whatever
comes to pass
I am safe I am safe

Chorus 2

And I am sure of this
That Your faithfulness
Never ends never fades
It's the brightest star in the deepest
dark
I place my hope in the truth I know
No matter what this life may bring
Your love will not let go
I am sure oh oh oh
I am sure oh oh oh

Bridge

Strong in my weakness
My shelter my fortress
My trust is in You
Yeah I'm trusting in You
(REPEAT)
I am sure

Chorus 3

I am sure of this
That Your faithfulness
Never ends never fades
It's the brightest star in the deepest
dark
I place my hope in the truth I know
No matter what this life may bring
Your love will not let go
I am sure oh oh oh
I am sure oh oh oh

Ending

I am sure oh oh oh
Yeah I'm sure oh oh oh

Opening Prayer

For those who first went out
into the early dawn, when the sky was grey,
taking spices to the tomb,
there was terror, and surprise.
Let us open ourselves
to the astounding possibility
that life can break out
at any moment!
Let us challenge the thought
that we have planned the future
so efficiently that
there will be no surprises!
Let us celebrate
the irrepressible power of God
breaking out with life
where we least expect it! **Amen.**

~ adapted from Ann Siddall

Special Music

Peace Be Still

Andrew Holt, Hope Darst & Mia Fieldes

Scripture Reading

Regina de Wetter, reader

Luke 1:26-34 (New Living Translation)

26 In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a village in Galilee, 27 to a virgin named Mary. She was engaged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of King David. 28 Gabriel appeared to her and said, "Greetings, favored woman! The Lord is with you!"

29 Confused and disturbed, Mary tried to think what the angel could mean. 30 "Don't be afraid, Mary," the angel told her, "for you have found favor with God! 31 You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. 32 He will be very great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his ancestor David. 33 And he will reign over Israel forever; his Kingdom will never end!" 34 Mary asked the angel, "But how can this happen? I am a virgin."

Matthew 28:1-7 (New Living Translation)

Early on Sunday morning, as the new day was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went out to visit the tomb.

2 Suddenly there was a great earthquake! For an angel of the Lord came down from heaven, rolled aside the stone, and sat on it. 3 His face shone like lightning, and his clothing was as white as snow. 4 The guards shook with fear when they saw him, and they fell into a dead faint.

5 Then the angel spoke to the women. "Don't be afraid!" he said. "I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. 6 He isn't here! He is risen from the dead, just as he said would happen. Come, see where his body was lying. 7 And now, go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and he is going ahead of you to Galilee. You will see him there. Remember what I have told you."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Gift of Uncertainty

Senior Pastor Robert de Wetter

Pastoral Prayer

Prayers of the People

Elizabeth de Wetter, reader

Offertory

Trust In You

Lauren Daigle, Michael Farren, Paul Mabury

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise Him all creatures here below

Praise Him above ye heav'nly host

Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost

Amen

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Communion

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Communion Hymn

Be Still My Soul

Verse 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 ev'ry change He faithful will remain
Be still my soul thy best thy heav'nly
Friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful
end

Verse 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

Verse 3

Be still my soul when dearest friends
depart
And all is darkened in the vale of tears
Then shalt thou better know His love
His heart
Who comes to soothe thy sorrow and
thy fears
Be still my soul thy Jesus can repay
From His own fullness all He takes
away

Verse 4

Be still my soul the hour is hast'ning
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

Verse 5

Be still my soul begin the song of
praise
On earth believing to thy Lord on high
Acknowledge Him in all thy words and
ways
So shall He view thee with a
well-pleased eye
Be still my soul the Sun of life divine
Through passing clouds shall but
more brightly shine

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Back Talk

Closing Prayer

This new day is fresh with possibility to encounter the Living Christ.
With bright eyes, let us search. With engaged minds, let us ponder.
With compassionate hearts, let us feel. With solid devotion, let us follow.
With humble intention, let us act. With moments of uncertainty, let us trust. We pray in the name of
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

— adapted from Rev. Christine Sobania Johnson

Blessing

Postlude

I Will Fear No More

Matthew Dwight Fuqua, Joshua Miguel Havens, Jason David Ingram, Jordan Mohilowski & Dan Ostebo

Our love in action now begins...

Our Sunday School is next...

This Sunday's Special Music is brought to you by Michael Schoepe.