

## Order of Worship

February 4th 2024 ~ The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany - 9am

### Prelude

### Welcome, Announcements, and Peace

### Call to Worship

God, the hour of your coming again draws near.

**Make us ready: in our hearts, in our minds, in our souls.**

Lord Jesus Christ, come to us again.

**Come and do not tarry.**

**Even so, come Lord Jesus! Amen.**

### Hymn of Praise

*It Is Well With My Soul*

RH #705

#### Verse 1

When peace like a river  
Attendeth my way  
When sorrows like sea billows roll  
Whatever my lot  
Thou hast taught me to say  
It is well  
It is well with my soul

#### Chorus

It is well with my soul  
It is well  
It is well with my soul

#### Verse 4

And Lord haste the day  
When the 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

It is well with my soul  
It is well  
It is well with my soul

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### Hymn

*Sanctuary*

#### Chorus

Lord prepare me  
To be a sanctuary  
Pure and holy  
Tried and true  
With thanksgiving  
I'll be a living  
Sanctuary for You  
(Repeat 2 more times)

John W. Thompson, Randy Scruggs  
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## Opening Prayer

Creator God, mother and father of us all,  
you are everywhere and right here.  
As close as the air we breathe,  
the air which binds us one to another and all to your beautiful creation.  
You are as close as the sunlight on our skin,  
as close as the rain that drips from our hair;  
the wind and the water that push us and lead us  
and call us again and again into relationship with one another and with you.  
Holy Spirit, divine Advocate, guide and encourage us.  
Stir within our hearts,  
that we may be nurtured back to new life.  
**Amen.**

## Special Music

*Many Rivers To Cross* from *Jimmy Cliff*  
Jimmy Cliff

## Scripture Reading

### ***Ezekial 37:1-14***

#### **NIV**

37 The hand of the Lord was on me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the Lord and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. 2 He led me back and forth among them, and I saw a great many bones on the floor of the valley, bones that were very dry. 3 He asked me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" I said, "Sovereign Lord, you alone know." 4 Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones and say to them, 'Dry bones, hear the word of the Lord! 5 This is what the Sovereign Lord says to these bones: I will make breath[a] enter you, and you will come to life. 6 I will attach tendons to you and make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put breath in you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the Lord.'" 7 So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I was prophesying, there was a noise, a rattling sound, and the bones came together, bone to bone. 8 I looked, and tendons and flesh appeared on them and skin covered them, but there was no breath in them. 9 Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath; prophecy, son of man, and say to it, 'This is what the Sovereign Lord says: Come, breath, from the four winds and breathe into these slain, that they may live.'" 10 So I prophesied as he commanded me, and breath entered them; they came to life and stood up on their feet—a vast army. 11 Then he said to me: "Son of man, these bones are the people of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up and our hope is gone; we are cut off.' 12 Therefore prophecy and say to them: 'This is what the Sovereign Lord says: My people, I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to the land of Israel. 13 Then you, my people, will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and bring you up from them. 14 I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the Lord have spoken, and I have done it, declares the Lord.'"

### ***Matthew 24:42***

#### **NIV**

"Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come."

The Word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

## Sermon

*Laundry Chutes, Gravity, and Grace*  
The Rev. Dr. Mike Attas

## Pastoral Prayer

## Prayers of the People

## Offertory

*When You Believe* from *The Prince of Egypt*  
Stephen Schwartz & Kenneth "Babyface" Edmonds

## 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.*

## Closing Hymn

*Be Not Afraid*

**1.** You shall cross the barren desert,  
but you shall not die of thirst.  
You shall wander far in safety  
though you do not know the way.  
You shall speak your words in  
foreign lands  
and all will understand.  
You shall see the face of God and  
live.

**2.** If you pass through raging waters  
in the sea,  
you shall not drown.  
If you walk amid the burning flames,  
you shall not be harmed.  
If you stand before the pow'r of hell  
and death is at your side,  
know that I am with you through it  
all.

**3.** Blessed are your poor,  
for the kingdom shall be theirs.  
Blest are you that weep and mourn,  
for one day you shall laugh.  
And if wicked tongues insult and  
hate you  
all because of me,  
blessed, blessed are you!

## Refrain

Be not afraid.  
I go before you always.  
Come, follow me, and I will give you  
rest.

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Text: Based on Isaiah 43:2-3; Luke 6:20ff.

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## Closing Prayer

Go in peace; love and care for one another in Christ's name, and may God bless you with every gift needful for His work,  
may the Spirit grant you the willingness to risk yourself  
completely for the sake of the gospel,  
and may the love and the compassion and the hope and the faith  
of Jesus dwell richly within you till the time of his coming.  
both now and forevermore.  
Amen.

~ Rev. Richard J. Fairchild

**Blessing**

**Postlude**

***Our love in action now begins***

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