



WELCOME

LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION

CHIMING THE HOUR/TIME OF CENTERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Mariana Rivera

The Holy One is our Sovereign. Let us praise God's great and awesome name!

Mighty ruler, lover of justice, you have established equity among us.

*PRAYER FOR THE DAY

God of majesty and might, you have blessed us with revelations of your glory. Give us the gift of faith, that we may hear your voice for ourselves and see Jesus Christ revealed to us so that we may stand in tenacious solidarity without fear. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine | No. 839

*Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.
This is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.*

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine
TEXT: Fanny Jane Crosby, 1873
MUSIC: Phoebe Palmer Knapp, 1873
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*Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending, bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.
This is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.*

*Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love.
This is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Glorious God, you are all wisdom, you are a lamp to our feet. Yet we fail to listen to you because so often your voice comes to us in unfamiliar tongues and in faces we do not recognize. We turn away and neglect to follow when you are leading us. Forgive us. Heal us. Lead us. Teach us to walk in your ways and find our refuge in you. Amen. (A time for silent confession)

POURING OF THE WATER

Because of the grace we receive in baptism, we have nothing to fear.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God promises peace and joy when we call upon God in faith.

Believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Glory to God | No. 585

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest! Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!

To God be glory forever! To God be glory forever!

Alleluia, Amen! Alleluia, Amen! Alleluia, Amen!

Alleluia, Amen! Alleluia, Amen! Alleluia, Amen!

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to Christ Jesus! Glory to God, glory to God, glory to Christ Jesus!

To God be glory forever! To God be glory forever!

Alleluia, Amen! Alleluia, Amen! Alleluia, Amen!

Alleluia, Amen! Alleluia, Amen! Alleluia, Amen!

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit! Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit!

To God be glory forever! To God be glory forever!

Alleluia, Amen! Alleluia, Amen! Alleluia, Amen!

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CHILDREN'S TIME

SPECIAL MUSIC

I'll Fly Away | Borderless Brass Band

by Albert E. Brumley

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 24:12-18

*HYMN

Leaning On the Everlasting Arms | No. 837

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;

what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Leaning, leaning, (Leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus) safe and secure from all alarms;

Leaning, leaning, (Leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus) leaning on the everlasting arms.

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms;

O how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Leaning, leaning, (Leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus) safe and secure from all alarms;

Leaning, leaning, (Leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus) leaning on the everlasting arms.

What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms?

I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Leaning, leaning, (Leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus) safe and secure from all alarms;

Leaning, leaning, (Leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus) leaning on the everlasting arms.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 17:1-9

SERMON

"This Is Not It" | Rev. Janie McElwee-Smith

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

from *The Confession of 1967*

God's redeeming work in Jesus Christ embraces the whole of human life: social and cultural, economic and political, scientific and technological, individual and corporate. It includes the natural environment as exploited and despoiled by sin. It is the will of God that the divine purpose for human life shall be fulfilled under the rule of Christ and all evil be banished from creation.... The kingdom of God represents God's triumph over all that resists the divine will and disrupts God's creation. Already God's reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring up hope in all people and preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgment and redemption. With an urgency born of this hope, the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth, nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat. In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.

JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Glory to God | pg. 35

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 debts,
 as we forgive our debtors
and lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
 and the glory forever. Amen

CALL TO GIVE, OFFERING, & OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow | LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of mountaintops and valleys, we add our gifts to those being given all around us. Bless them and our lives that they may be transfigured into your presence in the world. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

This Little Light of Mine

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine*

Won't let anyone blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine...

Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine...

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

Remember you are a child of God:
And God loves God's children.

This Little Light of Mine
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FEB 15 - 22

Events & Celebrations

SUN 15	MON 16	TUE 17	WED 18
Worship, 10:00AM Fellowship, 11:15AM NA of EP, 3:00PM	Yoga, 2:00PM	GraceB4Work, 7:00AM FAT TUESDAY Pancake Supper, 6:00PM	ASH WEDNESDAY Grounds & Ashes (@Starbucks), 11:00AM Ash Wednesday Worship, 7:00PM
THU 19	FRI 20	SAT 21	SUN 22
	BIRTHDAY Judy McGuirk	Quilters Workshop, 9:00AM	Worship, 10:00AM Fellowship, 11:15AM NA of EP, 3:00PM

Grace welcomes Borderless Brass Band.

Thank you for sharing your talents with us this morning!

Prayers & Concerns

Mary & Mark Dunn	Zoomer Roberts	Pat Bryant	Bob Hedicke
Corey Elson	Mary Province	Pete McMillan	Mildred Helm

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TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor — Rev. Janie McElwee-Smith

Music Director — Brittney Williams

Additional Accompaniment — Bill Rose

Liturgist — Mariana Rivera

Accompanist/Pianist — Patricia Ann Provencio

Technology — Angel Martinez,
Bob Jones & Jim Collins

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