



SOUTH CLT PRES CHURCH

Sunday, September 12, 2021

Worship Service

Welcome

Rev. Dean Faulkner

Call to Worship

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Psalm 48:1-8 (selected)

Leader: Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised in the city of our God! His holy mountain, beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth, Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King.

People: Within her citadels God has made himself known as a fortress.

Leader: For behold, the kings assembled; they came on together. As soon as they saw it, they were astounded; they were in panic; they took to flight.

All: As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the LORD of hosts, in the city of our God, which God will establish forever.

Worship in Song

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD, A BULWARK NEVER FAILING
OUR HELPER HE, AMID THE FLOOD OF MORTAL ILLS PREVAILING
FOR STILL OUR ANCIENT FOE DOETH SEEK TO WORK US WOE
HIS CRAFT AND POWER ARE GREAT, AND ARMED WITH CRUEL HATE ON EARTH
IS NOT HIS EQUAL

DID WE IN OUR OWN STRENGTH CONFIDE, OUR STRIVING WOULD BE LOSING
WERE NOT THE RIGHT MAN ON OUR SIDE, THE MAN OF GOD'S OWN CHOOSING
DOST ASK WHO THAT MAY BE? CHRIST JESUS, IT IS HE
THE LORD OF HOSTS, HIS NAME, FROM AGE TO AGE THE SAME AND HE MUST
WIN THE BATTLE

A MIGHTY FORTRESS, A ROCK UNFAILING THE KING OF GLORY, FOREVER AMEN
FOR ENDLESS AGES, ENTHRONED IN PRAISES THE KING OF GLORY, FOREVER
AMEN

AND THOUGH THIS WORLD, WITH DEVILS FILLED, SHOULD THREATEN TO UNDO
US
WE WILL NOT FEAR, FOR GOD HATH WILLED HIS TRUTH TO TRIUMPH THROUGH
US
THE PRINCE OF DARKNESS GRIM, WE TREMBLE NOT FOR HIM
HIS RAGE WE CAN ENDURE, FOR LO, HIS DOOM IS SURE ONE LITTLE WORD
SHALL FELL HIM

YES I WILL

I COUNT ON ONE THING
THE SAME GOD THAT NEVER FAILS
WILL NOT FAIL ME NOW
YOU WON'T FAIL ME NOW
IN THE WAITING
THE SAME GOD WHO'S NEVER LATE
IS WORKING ALL THINGS OUT
YOU'RE WORKING ALL THINGS OUT

YES I WILL LIFT YOU HIGH
IN THE LOWEST VALLEY
YES I WILL BLESS YOUR NAME
YES I WILL SING FOR JOY
WHEN MY HEART IS HEAVY
ALL MY DAYS YES I WILL

I CHOOSE TO PRAISE
TO GLORIFY GLORIFY
THE NAME OF ALL NAMES
THAT NOTHING CAN STAND AGAINST

FOR ALL MY DAYS YES I WILL

WITH US

BEFORE THE WORLD YOU KNEW THE PLANS FOR ME
BEFORE MY HEART BELIEVED YOU CAME TO MY RESCUE
NOW I'M FOUND IN LOVE
THERE'S NOWHERE ELSE TO RUN
YOU KEEP MY LIFE WITHIN YOUR MIGHTY HANDS

(OH GOD)
THERE'S NO END TO YOUR LOVE
THERE'S NO END TO YOUR LOVE
YOU'RE WITH US
YOU'RE WITH US
THERE'S NOTHING IN THIS WORLD
THAT COULD TAKE YOU AWAY
YOU'RE WITH US
YOU'RE WITH US

BEFORE I CALL I KNOW YOU'LL ANSWER ME
YOU'LL MAKE A WAY BEYOND WHAT I COULD IMAGINE
WHAT COULD SEPARATE FROM THE LOVE YOU GAVE
I PUT MY HOPE IN EVERYTHING THAT YOU ARE

YOU REIGN IN OUR HEARTS YOU REIGN ABOVE ALL
BE LIFTED ON HIGH

Community Update

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Pastoral Prayer

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Scripture Reading

Pastoral Intern Kurt Witters

Nehemiah 4:15-23

When our enemies heard that it was known to us and that God had frustrated their plan, we all returned to the wall, each to his work. From that day on, half of my servants worked on construction, and half held the spears, shields, bows, and coats of mail. And the leaders stood behind the whole house of Judah, who were building on the wall. Those who carried burdens were loaded in such a way that each labored on the work with one hand and held his weapon with the other. And each of the builders had his sword strapped at his side while he built. The man who sounded the trumpet was beside me. And I said to the nobles and to the officials and to the rest of the people, "The work is great and widely spread, and we are separated on the wall, far from one another. In the place where you hear the sound of the trumpet, rally to us there. Our God will fight for us."

So we labored at the work, and half of them held the spears from the break of dawn until the stars came out. I also said to the people at that time, "Let every man and his servant pass the night within Jerusalem, that they may be a guard for us by night and may labor by day." So neither I nor my brothers nor my servants nor the men of the guard who followed me, none of us took off our clothes; each kept his weapon at his right hand.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Pastoral Intern Kurt Witters

Faithfulness to the Mission in the Face of Opposition

Rebuild Sermon Series

Nehemiah 4:15-23

- I. You are Called to Serve Faithfully in the Face of Foes (vv. 15-18)

- II. You are Called to Serve Faithfully in a Shared Struggle (vv. 19-20)

- III. You are Called to Serve Faithfully by a Humble Hero (vv. 21-23)

The Lord's Supper

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Song of Response

BE THOU MY VISION

BE THOU MY VISION, O LORD OF MY HEART, NAUGHT BE ALL ELSE TO ME, SAVE
THAT THOU ART THOU MY BEST THOUGHT, BY DAY OR BY NIGHT, WAKING OR
SLEEPING, THY PRESENCE MY LIGHT

BE THOU MY WISDOM, AND THOU MY TRUE WORD, I EVER WITH THEE, AND
THOU WITH ME, LORD THOU MY GREAT FATHER, I THY TRUE SON, THOU IN ME
DWELLING, AND I WITH THEE ONE

RICHES I HEED NOT, NOR MAN'S EMPTY PRAISE, THOU MINE INHERITANCE, NOW
AND ALWAYS THOU AND THOU ONLY, FIRST IN MY HEART, HIGH KING OF
HEAVEN, MY TREASURE THOU ART

O, GOD, BE MY EVERYTHING, BE MY DELIGHT
BE, JESUS, MY GLORY MY SOUL'S SATISFIED
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BE, JESUS, MY GLORY MY SOUL'S SATISFIED

HIGH KING OF HEAVEN, MY VICTORY WON, MAY I REACH HEAVEN'S JOYS, O
BRIGHT HEAVEN'S SUN HEART OF MY OWN HEART, WHATEVER BEFALL, STILL BE
MY VISION, O RULER OF ALL

Benediction

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