

∞ Order of Worship ∞

May 9, 2021

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE "Three-part Invention" by J. S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP (paraphrased from Psalms 98):

Leader: Sing to God a brand-new song. God made a world of wonders!

People: God set things right. God made history with salvation,

Leader: The whole earth comes to attention. Look-God's work of salvation!

People: Let us shout our praises to God, everybody!

All: Let us all let loose and sing!

PRAISE SONG "I Could Sing of Your Love Forever"
by Martin Smith

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Loving God, we live with lies and illusions when we should be in prayer. We have more than enough, yet we do not share and we call for more. Lord, You continue to treat us and others with a Mother's love. We pray You will forgive our sins and purge us of all wrongdoing. Please help us to start the day in Your light, Lord, and to be more loving in all we say, think and do. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Even as we all have sinned,

People: You, Lord, continue to love all creation and bring us to Your Sabbath.

Leader: You, Lord, continue to forgive us and hold us in Your loving family,

People: And lead us as we confess and repent.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE John 15:9-17

CHILDREN'S TIME "Who Said It? Love you Mom!"

SPECIAL MUSIC "Abba! Father!" by Rev. Carey Landry
(sung by Scott Miller)

SERMON "A Mother's Love"

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER TIME-THANKSGIVING AND PASTORAL

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 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.

HYMN No. 435 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" v. 3

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "God is So Wonderful" by Virginia Marshall

I Could Sing of Your Love Forever

Over the mountains and the sea Your river runs with
love for me,
And I will open up my heart and let the Healer set me
free.
I'm happy to be in the truth and I will daily lift my
hands,
For I will always sing of
When Your love came down, yeah.

I could sing of Your love forever. (4 times)

Oh I feel like dancing,
It's foolishness I know.
But when the world has seen the light,
They will dance with joy like we're dancing now, yeah.

I could sing of Your love forever. (8 times)

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What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Verse 3:

Are we weak and heavy-laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our Refuge –
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer;
In His arms He'll take and shield thee,
Thou wilt find a solace there.

Text: Joseph M. Scriven
Music: *Converse*, Charles C. Converse

Library

Take a look in the church library at the scrapbooks that are spread out on the tables. There is a lot of pictures and articles of the history of the church. These were brought in this week by Nancy Wilson.

Blanket Sunday

We can be our strongest, our kindest and our most Christ-like when we are connected. It makes the symbol of a CWS Blanket even more powerful: think of all the individual pieces of thread and wool being pulled together to cover someone with warmth! Without any one of those pieces-without you!-the story would not be the same. Church World Services distributes thousands of blankets around the world. You will reach families fleeing their homes, recovering from disaster and more. Share blankets, warmth, and comfort with your neighbors.

Giving envelopes will be in today May 9th and May 16th bulletins.

Dryden Library

Southworth Library invites you to join the conversation to discuss how to move forward in a post-pandemic environment. Both virtual and in-person sessions available. Registration is available on the website www.southworthlibrary.org. Please notice the poster that is in the church office and on the bulletin board in the link for further information.

One Great Hour of Sharing

Thank you to those who have generously supported our current Mission Project. *One Great Hour of Sharing* donations will be continued through the month of May. There are envelopes and information available in the office if you would like to donate.



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Sympathy

Sympathy goes to the family of Camila Clough. Camilla passed away April 25, 2021.