

HOME LITURGY // JUNE 7th

Call to Worship:

Psalm 121 - A Song of Ascents.

[1] I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? [2] My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth. [3] He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber. [4] Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. [5] The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on your right hand. [6] The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. [7] The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. [8] The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore. (ESV)

All Songs can be accessed on our <u>YOUTUBE</u> (w/ Lyrics) and <u>SPOTIFY</u> playlist

Song: Only A Holy God

4476433, Michael Farren, Jonny Robinson, Dustin Smith, Rich Thompson, 2016 City Alight Music

Verse 1: Who else commands all the hosts of heaven Who else could make every king bow down Who else can whisper and darkness trembles, only a Holy God

Verse 2

What other beauty demands such praises What other splendor outshines the sun What other majesty rules with justice Only a Holy God

Chorus

Come and behold Him The One and the Only Cry out, sing holy Forever a Holy God Come and worship the Holy God

Verse 3:

What other glory consumes like fire What other power can raise the dead What other name remains undefeated Only a Holy God

Verse 4

Who else could rescue me from my failing Who else would offer His only Son Who else invites me to call Him Father Only a Holy God. Only my Holy God!

Confession of Sin

As sojourners walking through this world, we often lose sight of our citizenship in heaven in pursuit of inferior treasures. When we confess our sins to our Holy God, he restores us to himself and re-orients our hearts toward the Kingdom of Heaven. Pray this prayer of confession:

God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, We are your covenant peopleone church, drawn from all nations.

Our citizenship is in heaven, yet we confess, O LORD, that we sometimes lose sight of your kingdom and its ways.

We confess that we sometimes live more as citizens of our own land than as citizens of your kingdom

By your truth, you call all peoples to account. Forgive us for losing our distinctiveness.

Focus us on the cross and on the salvation you give through Him who is LORD and King and Judge of us all,

Jesus, The Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

In addition to the above prayer, spend some time confessing specific sins in private prayer.

Assurance of Pardon

The only way for us to be reconciled to God is through Jesus Christ who suffered and died that we may have life. Receive and rejoice in this assurance of pardon as you read it aloud, *1 Peter 3:18*

[18] For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, (ESV)

Missional Prayer

Pray for God's Kingdom to come and his will to be done on earth as it is in heaven (Matthew 6:10).

• **Pray for Seven Mile Road - Kennebunk, ME** and Pastor Bryan Page. Pray for the church as they too are using Home Liturgies on Sunday Mornings. Ask God to grow the church spiritually and keep them connected. Pray for Pastor Bryan and leadership as they consider a pathway toward re-opening gatherings.

Passing of Peace

During this time we encourage you to send a text message to a few people in the church. Let them know you are praying for them and perhaps send them an encouraging passage from Scripture.

Scripture Reading

Philippians 4:14–23

[14] Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble. [15] And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church entered into partnership with me in giving and receiving, except you only. [16] Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again. [17] Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit. [18] I have received full payment, and more. I am well supplied, having received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God. [19] And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. [20] To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

[21] Greet every saint in Christ Jesus. The brothers who are with me greet you. [22] All the saints greet you, especially those of Caesar's household.

[23] The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. (ESV)

Teaching Video

Click either link - Vimeo or YouTube to watch a Teaching on Philippians 4:14-23 from Pastor Kevin --

10 Joy in Generosity (Vimeo)

10 Joy in Generosity (Youtube)

(Find an additional lesson and activity for the kids <u>HERE</u>)

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

HEAD: Questions aimed at our minds to help us *understand* God's word.

- In verse 14 what does it mean that the Philippians shared in Paul's troubles and sufferings?
- Read Verses 14-16. What kind of support did the Philippians give Paul in his ministry? (See also 2 Corinthians 8:3-5)
- How did the generosity of the Philippians propel the external mission of the church? (v.15-16)
- Re-read verses 10-13 from last week. What is the connection between contentment in Christ and generosity for Christ?
- KIDS Think of a time when you gave away something that was important to you. Was it hard to do? How did it make you feel?

HEART: Questions aimed at our affections to help us *love* God.

- How does generosity internally bless and strengthen the church? (v.17)
- How is generosity a matter of the heart? How does your understanding and use of money reflect what you treasure most?
- What are some improper motives for giving that you may struggle with?
- How does reflecting on the message of the Gospel help us cultivate generous hearts?
- KIDS Read the account of the Widow's Offering in Luke 21:1-4. Why does Jesus say the poor widow put in *more* than the wealthy men? (Parents- help your kids understand that generosity is primarily a worship issue that deals with the motivations of the heart.)

HANDS: Questions aimed at our hands to help us *live for* God (Personally, Communally, and Missionally).

- Why should you give faithfully to God's mission? Do you have a disciplined plan for giving to the mission of the church?
- In what way is God calling you to holistic generosity right now? (ie. with your resources, time talents, relationships, etc)
- The ideas in verses 17–19 are also found in 2 Corinthians 9:5–15 in greater detail. Carve out some time this week to study both passages and compare. What themes and language do they share?
- KIDS Memorize Philippians 4:19 (Parents -- use the "I say you say" method)

Song: I Shall Not Want

4476433, by Audrey Assad, Bryan Brown, 2013 worshiptogether.com songs Fortunate Fall Music

Verse 1:

From the love of my own comfort From the fear of having nothing From a life of worldly passions Deliver me O God

Verse 2:

From the need to be understood And from a need to be accepted From the fear of being lonely Deliver me O God Deliver me O God

Chorus:

And I shall not want, no, I shall not want When I taste Your goodness, I shall not want When I taste Your goodness, I shall not want

Verse 3:

From the fear of serving others Oh, and from the fear of death or trial And from the fear of humility Deliver me O God Yes, deliver me O God

Song: Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

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Verse 1:

What gift of grace is Jesus, my redeemer There is no more for heaven now to give He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus For my life is wholly bound to His Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine Yet not I, but through Christ in me

Verse 2:

The night is dark but I am not forsaken For by my side, the Saviour He will stay I labour on in weakness and rejoicing For in my need, His power is displayed

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me Through the deepest valley He will lead Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome Yet not I, but through Christ in me

Verse 3:

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven The future sure, the price it has been paid For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon And He was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated Jesus now and ever is my plea Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free Yet not I, but through Christ in me

Verse 4:

With every breath, I long to follow Jesus For He has said that He will bring me home And day by day I know He will renew me Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus All the glory evermore to Him When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat Yet not I, but through Christ in me

Song of Benediction: Now To Him

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Now to Him who is able to keep you from falling, To him who will keep you 'till the end To Him be the glory, the honor, and power, Forever and ever, Amen, Forever and ever, Amen