



Fountain Square
Presbyterian Church

MAY 31, 2020

Welcome

Call to Worship

based on 1 Peter 1:3-5

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**He has given us new life and hope.
He has raised Jesus from the dead.**

God has claimed us as his own.

**He has brought us out of darkness.
He has made us light to the world.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Song of Praise

“We Will Feast in the House of Zion”

We will feast in the house of Zion.

We will sing with our hearts restored.

“He has done great things,” we will say together.

We will feast, and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire;

He is the Lord our God.

**We are not consumed by the flood—upheld,
protected, gathered up.**

We will feast in the house of Zion.

We will sing with our hearts restored.

“He has done great things,” we will say together.

We will feast, and weep no more.

In the dark of night before the dawn,

My soul be not afraid;

For the promised morning, Oh how long!

O God of Jacob, be my strength!

We will feast in the house of Zion.

We will sing with our hearts restored.

“He has done great things,” we will say together.

We will feast, and weep no more.

Every vow we’ve broken and betrayed,

You are the faithful One;

And from the garden to the grave,

Bind us together, bring shalom.

We will feast in the house of Zion.

We will sing with our hearts restored.

“He has done great things,” we will say together.

We will feast, and weep no more.

Song of Praise

"Look There! The Christ!"

**Look there! The Christ, our Brother, comes,
Resplendent from the cursed tree,
And what he brings in his hurt hands
Is life on life for you and me.**

Joy! Joy!

Joy to the world and all therein.

Joy! Joy!

**Joy to the world and all in this good day's
dawning.**

**Good Jesus Christ, inside his pain,
Looked down Golgotha's stony slope
And let the blood flow from his flesh
To fill the springs of living hope.**

Joy! Joy!

Joy to the world and all therein.

Joy! Joy!

**Joy to the world and all in this good day's
dawning.**

**Good Jesus Christ, our Brother, died
In darkest hurt upon the tree
To offer us the worlds of light
That live inside the Trinity.**

Joy! Joy!

Joy to the world and all therein.

Joy! Joy!

**Joy to the world and all in this good day's
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dawning.**

words John Bennett, 1920; music Nathan Partain, 2003



Prayer of Confession

O Merciful Father,

we confess that we allow our circumstances
to dictate the way we see reality.

It is right and good to lament

the brokenness of our current situation
and yet we admit that we too often

put our hope in our immediate circumstances
and not in you.

We confess that we are tempted to hope in
normalcy,

in financial stability,

in our political leaders,

in our ingenuity,

in ourselves.

We pray for forgiveness.

We pray for the Spirit's work

that we may hope in you,

the author and sustainer of life.

We pray that we would live

in light of the resurrection of Jesus

and the promise that it holds for us.



Assurance of Pardon and Hope

based on 1 Corinthians 15

Christ died for our sins in accordance with
Scripture.

Christian, you are forgiven.

Christ was raised on the third day
in accordance with Scripture.

Death is swallowed up in victory.

Amen!



Confession of Faith

Colossians 1:15-20

Who is the Son?

**He is the image of the invisible God,
the firstborn of all creation.**

For in him all things were created:

**Things in heaven and on earth,
visible and invisible,
whether thrones or dominions
or rulers or authorities—
all things were created
through him and for him.
And he is before all things,
and in him all things hold together.**

And he is the head of the body, the church;

**He is the beginning,
the firstborn from the dead,
that in everything
he might be preeminent.**

For in him all the fullness of God
was pleased to dwell,

**And through him
to reconcile to himself all things,
whether on earth or in heaven,
making peace by the blood of his cross.**

Life as Worship


LILLY SABBATICAL GRANT. Please join us in prayer as our sabbatical grant proposal team submits our application to fund the Hickmans' sabbatical time next year. We long to give Pat and his family an extended period of life-giving rest after seven years of faithful ministry. Our proposal will be submitted by June 5, and Lilly's award decisions will go out mid-October.

YOUTH EVENTS. All youth programming is announced via Redeemer's Daily Digest and their Sunday morning emails. Please check your inbox from this morning from Redeemer for information on upcoming events. Contact Caroline with questions (caroline@redeemindy.org).

PRAYER GATHERINGS. *Fridays 8:30am.* As a people desperately dependent upon Jesus, we want to continue our prayer gatherings we began in the fall via Zoom (Meeting ID: 758 234 818). These gatherings will be brief times of prayer (30 minutes) together on a regular basis. Questions? (pat@fountainsquarepres.org).

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY. *Tonight.* Men's Bible study meets tonight at 7pm via Zoom (Meeting ID: 469 444 059; Password: 056649). We are currently studying the book of Romans. Contact Grant Thomas for more information (grantrileythomas@gmail.com).

WAYS TO SERVE. Our mercy team has put together a curated list of ways to serve each other and our community during this season. You can view the list online at [bit.ly/covid19-mercy]. Contact the mercy team with questions (mercy@fountainsquarepres.org).



NEED SOMETHING? We all have needs and are in this together. We expect this season will press in uniquely upon all of us. If you need any kind of assistance to get through this season, please do not hesitate to email our mercy team (mercy@fountainsquarepres.org).

STAY CONNECTED. Getting our weekly emails? We currently send one Saturday night with everything you need to worship, and a weekly digest on Wednesdays with upcoming events, opportunities, and encouragements. To subscribe or with questions, email (jason@fountainsquarepres.org).

NEWHOPE COUNSELING. Need an outlet to process everything? New Hope Counseling continues to be open to serve clients. They offer telecounseling via a secure provider on your computer, tablet, or mobile device. We all sense how disrupted life is right now. Need-based scholarships are available to Fountain Square Pres attenders. Email Intake Coordinator, Liz Escoffery at (counseling@newhopeindianapolis.org).

ONLINE GIVING. We can continue worshipping the Lord, entrusting back to him a portion of what He has provided by going online at [fountainsquarepres.org] and clicking “Give” in the upper right hand corner. Questions? Email (jason@fountainsquarepres.org).



Prayers of the People

Song of Grace

“Be Still, My Soul”

**Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side.
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.
Leave to your God to order and provide,
In every change, He faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heavenly Friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.**

**Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake
To guide the future, as He has the past.
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while he dwelt below.**

**Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on
When we shall be forever with the Lord;
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
Sorrow for got, love’s purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.**

*words Katharina A. von Schlegel, 1752; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1855;
music Rick Jensen, 2003*

Scripture Reading

Matthew 4:1-11

¹ Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ² And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry.

³ And the tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” ⁴ But he answered, “It is written,

“Man shall not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.”

⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple ⁶ and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written,

“He will command his angels concerning you,’

and

“On their hands they will bear you up,

lest you strike your foot against a stone.”

⁷ Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’” ⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. ⁹

And he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to him, “Be gone, Satan! For it is written,

“You shall worship the Lord your God
and him only shall you serve.”

¹¹ Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



Homily

Pat Hickman

The Word of God is Life-Giving

Connecting Prayer



It is well, with my soul;

It is well, with my soul;

It is well, it is well with my soul.

It is well, with my soul;

It is well, with my soul;

It is well, it is well with my soul.

New-ish here?

Welcome! We're so glad you joined us today. We hope you'll stay connected with us during this season. Please go to [<https://bit.ly/fspres-connect>] to complete our connection card and stay in touch. We send out two emails weekly with information on upcoming events, encouragements, and resources. Glad you are here.

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