



Fountain Square
Presbyterian Church

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Welcome

Call to Worship

based on Luke 1:46-50

Our souls magnify the Lord!

Our spirits rejoice in God our Savior!

The mighty One has done great things for us!

Holy is God's name!

Let us worship God.

**For God is our Maker and our Redeemer;
from generation to generation God gives mercy.**



Song of Praise

“Break Forth, O Joyful Heart”

'Twas Jesus sought my wand'ring soul, and with
a shepherd's care,
He brought me kindly to his fold, and still
protects me there.

Break forth, O joyful heart,
Break forth! O joyful heart,
Break forth and no more silent be!
Break forth, in grateful praise,
Break forth, in grateful praise,
To him who came to ransom thee.

He is my Advocate with God, my Savior and
my Friend,
His mercies new with every morn, like
healing showers descend.

Break forth, O joyful heart,
Break forth! O joyful heart,
Break forth and no more silent be!
Break forth, in grateful praise,
Break forth, in grateful praise,
To him who came to ransom thee.

My soul shall magnify the Lord, my voice
his love proclaim,
And every power within me join to bless
and praise his name.

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Song of Praise

“Abide in Me”

Abide in me, O Lord, and I in thee,
From this good hour, O leave me nevermore;
Then shall the discord cease, the wound be healed,
The lifelong bleeding of the soul be o'er.

Abide in me, o'ershadow by thy love
Each half-formed purpose and dark thought of sin;
Quench, ere it rise, each selfish, low desire,
And keep my soul, as thine, calm and divine.

We raise our voices to the Father. He hears
our prayers through his Son.
We are enabled by his Spirit. Let your name be
hallowed, let your kingdom come.

As some rare perfume in a vase of clay,
Pervades it with a fragrance not its own,
So, when thou dwellest in a mortal soul,
All heav'n's own sweetness seems around it thrown.

Abide in me; there have been moments blest
When I have heard thy voice and felt thy pow'r;
Then evil lost its grasp, and passion, hushed,
Owned the divine enchantment of the hour.

We raise our voices to the Father. He hears
our prayers through his Son.
We are enabled by his Spirit. Let your name be
hallowed, let your kingdom come.

These were but seasons beautiful and rare;
Abide in me, and they shall ever be;
Fulfill at once thy precept and my prayer:
Come and abide in me and I in thee.

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Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God and loving Father,
we confess that we fail to live
in light of your might or your love.**

**When we experience the sin
and brokenness around us,
we are quick to blame and slow to take
responsibility.**

**We try to justify ourselves by ignoring you,
by comparing ourselves to others,
by seeking hope in the world and by living only
for ourselves.**

We are part of the problem.

Remind us of who you are and who we are.

You are mighty and loving.

**You are able and willing
to forgive.**

**You are able and willing
to make us more like Jesus.**

Thank you for your promises and your hope.

Assurance of Pardon and Hope

Romans 5:10

For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.
Christian, you are forgiven

Amen!



Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ,
His only Son, our Lord:
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary;
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried.
He descended into hell;
The third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and sits at the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
From thence He shall come
to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost,
The holy catholic church,
The communion of Saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting.**

Amen.

(quick=living ; catholic= universal)



Life as Worship

PRAYER FOR A BUILDING. Thank you to everyone who sent in a pledge. There is still time if you forgot. Continue to pray for the session and the building team as decisions about a building will be happening over the next few weeks. Pat will be meeting with St. Mark's soon to discuss a possible partnership.

YOUTHEVENTS. 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).

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).

COVID-19 RESPONSE. 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).

NEW HOPE 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 attendees. 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. Email Carrie if you have any questions (carrie@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).



Prayers of the People

Song of Grace

“Speak, O Lord”

**Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your Holy Word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory.**

**Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow’r that can never fail—
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.**

**Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us—
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we’ll stand on Your promises,
And by faith we’ll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.**

Words and Music: Keith Getty & Stuart Townsend, 2005



Scripture Reading

Romans 7:13-25

¹³ Did that which is good, then, bring death to me? By no means! It was sin, producing death in me through what is good, in order that sin might be shown to be sin, and through the commandment might become sinful beyond measure. ¹⁴ For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. ¹⁵ For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶ Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. ¹⁷ So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸ For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. ¹⁹ For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. ²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.

²¹ So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. ²² For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, ²³ but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴ Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? ²⁵ Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Homily

Pat Hickman

Connecting Prayer

Song of Response

"Just As I Am"

Just as I am, without one plea, but that Thy blood
was shed for me,
And that Thou bidst me come to Thee,
O Lamb I come.

Just as I am, and waiting not, to rid my soul of
one dark blot,
To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about, confused,
conflicted, full of doubts,
Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb I come.
Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; sight, riches,
healing of the mind,
Yea, all in Thee I need to find, O Lamb I come.

Just as I am I come,
Receiving all you've done
And covered in your blood,
I'm held within your love.

Just as I am, Thy love unknown, hath broken
every barrier down;
Now, to be Thine and Thine alone,
O Lamb I come.
Just as I am, Thou will receive, will welcome,
pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because Thy promise I believe, O Lamb I come.

Just as I am I come,
Receiving all you've done
And covered in your blood,
I'm held within your love.

You've won for me full forgiveness, just as I am
O Lamb I come.
Set free from fear, I can confess, just as I am
O Lamb I come.
I leave my rags of righteousness, just as I am
O Lamb I come.
For now I wear your Holiness, just as I am
O Lamb I come.

Just as I am O lamb I come.
Just as I am O lamb I come.

Words: Charlotte Elliott, 1835/alt.lyrics: Nathan Partain, 2011; music: Nathan Partain, 2011



Benediction

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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