

WORSHIP *at home*

BETHEL CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2020

Call to Worship:

(based on Ex. 1:8-2:10; Ps. 124;
Rom. 12:1-8; Matt. 16:13-20)

Our help is in the name of the Lord our God,
the Maker of heaven and earth,
who comes to our aid in times of need,
who gives us the courage
to do what we know is right,
who invites us to turn away
from the influences of the world around us
and confess Him alone as Saviour and Lord.
This is our God!
Let's worship together.

Listen to, or sing:

[Come, Now is the Time to Worship](#)

Prayer of Confession:

Jesus, who sat at the table with outcasts and sinners, we confess that too often our words and actions are not consistent with our beliefs. Often we ignore the needy, show indifference to the lonely, and reject those who seem different from us. Forgive us, we pray. Empower us to reach out in love and acceptance through your name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Psalm 103:8-12

"The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us."

Jesus knows our every weakness, and loves us still. Awaken to the promise of Christ's amazing grace. Believe the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Listen to, or sing:

[Worthy Is The Lamb / Crown Him Medley](#)

Prayer of God's People

Please remember the concerns of our church family and of the world as you enter into a time of prayer.

- The elderly and sick within our congregation, including Sharon VK, Tony VH, Henry H, Dini H, Joanne L, Rev Dick L, Margaret VE, Elly VG, and Catherina VS
- Nel E broke her arm and will be going to London on Tuesday for a consultation.
- Those who have been diagnosed with COVID-19 and their loved ones
- Those on the frontlines dealing with the pandemic (nurses, doctors, first responders, etc.)
- Government officials (wisdom and grace to guide our country in this time)

Kid's Corner

[Kid's Video: Abram & Sarai](#)

(Thank you for sharing your creativity Thomas!)

[Colouring Pages & Activities](#)

Song: [Blessed Be Your Name](#)

Hearing God's Word

Scripture: **Exodus 1**

Message: **The Powerful Providence of God**

Parting Blessing

Listen to, or sing along with:

Goodness of God *New Song*

Be Unto Your Name

Please Remember:

Please continue to send in your offerings to support the Church Budget and Ministry Shares.

GIVING OPTIONS INCLUDE:

- **E-transfer to enagel@cyg.net**
- **Sign up for PAR**
(Pre-Authorized Remittance)
- **Mail in/drop off a cheque:**
Attn: Evert Nagel, Treasurer
345 Elizabeth St. East
Listowel, ON, N4W 2P7

Questions for further reflection...

1. Exodus 1 is the story of God delivering his people when all seemed lost. Can you think of a few instances in the Bible where God delivered his people in somewhat similar circumstances? What are some things we learn about God through these stories?
2. Can you think of a time in your life when you had to trust God during a difficult time? How did you cope? What did you learn from this experience?
3. Looking back, can you see some good that God has been able to work through the difficulties of your life? If so, how does this help you live faithfully for him now?

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

EPHESIANS 3:20-21