

WORSHIP *at home*

BETHEL CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2020

Call to Worship:

Listen or sing (responsively) with this song:
[Is He Worthy](#)

Revelations 5:1-5

Then I saw in the right hand of him who sat on the throne a scroll with writing on both sides and sealed with seven seals. And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming in a loud voice, "Who is worthy to break the seals and open the scroll?" But no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth could open the scroll or even look inside it. I wept and wept because no one was found who was worthy to open the scroll or look inside. Then one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. He is able to open the scroll and its seven seals."

Prayer:

God of heaven and earth, we long to be truly free from sin and sorrow. In this time of worship, help us to grasp the freedom that comes from seeing you more clearly, loving you more deeply, and following you more closely. Day by day, give us strength and courage to be your people in this time of turmoil, wherever we are and whatever the circumstances. Reveal your power, once again, and bless our time of worship, so that we may be a blessing to others. We worship you, in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Time for Reflection:

*Think about or share with others:
(if you are with your family)*

What are some losses that you grieve because of this season for which you are asking God to comfort you?

Listen to, or sing:
[Lord, I Need You](#)

Comfort from God: Romans 5:1-5

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

Isaiah 35: 3,4

Strengthen the feeble hands, steady the knees that give way; say to those with fearful hearts, "Be strong, do not fear; your God will come, he will come with vengeance; with divine retribution he will come to save you."

Think about or share with others:

What in this crisis season are you thankful to God for? eg: sunsets, flowers blooming...

Listen to, or sing:
[Great Is Thy Faithfulness](#)

Psalm 29:10,11

The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;
the LORD is enthroned as King forever.
The LORD gives strength to his people;
the LORD blesses his people with peace.

Psalm 46:1-3

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells. God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day.

Kid's Corner

Kid's Video: Baby Moses

Colouring Pages & Activities

Song: I'm Trusting You

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Hearing God's Word

Scripture: **Exodus 2**

Message: **Not the Deliverer They Wanted**

Parting Blessing

Listen to, or sing:

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

God promises restoration:

Psalm 34: 4-6

Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together. I sought the Lord, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears.

Romans 5:10

For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!

Listen to, or sing:

I Will Rise

Questions for further reflection...

1. How is Israel's story also our story? How is it different? How is it the same?
2. How long had Israel been in bondage by the time Moses was born? How much longer did it take before Moses was sent back to save his people?
3. Why does God take so long to deliver his people? What helps you patiently wait for his plan to be fulfilled?
4. Why is it so hard for us to believe that God is in control when things are difficult?

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

ROMANS 15:13