

First Presbyterian Church, Elk Rapids
Sunday, August 2, 2020

Order of Worship

Countdown to Worship

Prelude – “Whom Shall I Fear”

Verse 1

You hear me when I call
You are my morning song
Though darkness fills the night
It cannot hide the light
Whom shall I fear

You crush the enemy underneath my feet
You are my sword and shield
Though troubles linger still
Whom shall I fear

Chorus

I know Who goes before me
I know Who stands behind
The God of angel armies is always by my side
The One who reigns forever
He is a friend of mine
The God of angel armies is always by my side

Verse 2

My strength is in Your name
For You alone can save
You will deliver me
Yours is the victory
Whom shall I fear
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Chorus

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Bridge

Nothing formed against me shall stand
You hold the whole world in Your hands
I'm holding on to Your promises
You are faithful
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Welcome

Rev. Jim Porter

Special Introduction – Rachel Stratton

Call to Worship

Leader: Whether you are at home or here in the sanctuary, we welcome each and every one of you!

People: **Thank you. It is good to worship and praise God!**

Leader: May the joy we have in our Lord Jesus Christ become your joy also.

People: **We have found a welcoming presence in this community of faith, gathered here in the church and online.**

Leader: Thanks be to God who welcomes each one of us!

People: **Let us extend that same loving welcome to others. In Jesus' name, Amen!**

Opening Prayer

Gracious God of never-ending love and mercy, we thank you for your presence with us today. As we gather in this community to share our faith, we open our hearts to the future of this church. We ask that you make us a blessing to our community and to the world. Prepare us to serve and celebrate the ministries you place before us. Fill us again with your Spirit, whether we are at home or in church, for it is in Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Worship Songs

"It Is Well"

Verse 1

Grander earth has quaked before
Moved by the sound of His voice
Seas that are shaken and stirred
Can be calmed and broken for my regard

Chorus

Through it all through it all
My eyes are on You
Through it all through it all
It is well

Through it all through it all
My eyes are on You
And it is well with me

Verse 2

Far be it from me to not believe
Even when my eyes can't see
And this mountain that's in front of me
Will be thrown into the midst of the sea

Chorus

Through it all through it all
My eyes are on You
Through it all through it all
It is well

"Reckless Love"

Verse 1

Before I spoke a word You were singing over me
You have been so so good to me
Before I took a breath You breathed Your life in me
You have been so so kind to me

Chorus

O the overwhelming never-ending
Reckless love of God
O it chases me down fights 'til I'm found
Leaves the ninety-nine
I couldn't earn it I don't deserve it
Still You give Yourself away
O the overwhelming never-ending reckless
Love of God

Verse 2

When I was Your foe still Your love fought for me
You have been so so good to me
When I felt no worth You paid it all for me
You have been so so kind to me

Chorus

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Leaves the ninety-nine
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And it is well with me

Bridge

So let go my soul and trust in Him
The waves and wind still know His name

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Ending

It is well with my soul
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Still You give Yourself away

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Bridge

There's no shadow You won't light up
Mountain You won't climb up
Coming after me

There's no wall You won't kick down
Lie You won't tear down
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Scripture Reading – Genesis 22:1-14

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Jehovah-Jireh: God Provides!”

Rev. Jim Porter

Song of Response – **“Faithful Now”**

Verse 1

**I am holding on to faith
'Cause I know You'll make a way
And I don't always understand
And I don't always get to see
But I will believe it
I will believe it**

Chorus

**You make mountains move
You make giants fall
And You use songs of praise
To shake prison walls
And I will speak to my fear
I will preach to my doubt
That You were faithful then
You'll be faithful now**

Verse 2

**I am standing on Your Word
I'm calling heaven down to earth
And You will fight my enemies
And this will end in victory
And I will believe it
Yes I will believe it**

Chorus

**You make mountains move
You make giants fall
And You use songs of praise
To shake prison walls
And I will speak to my fear**

**I will preach to my doubt
That You were faithful then
You'll be faithful now**

Bridge

**And I know that I know You never fail
Yes I know that I know You never will
And I know that I know You never fail
Yes I know that I know You never will**

Chorus

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Celebration of Communion

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Concluding Song – “Holy Water”

Verse 1

God I'm on my knees again
God I'm begging please again
I need You
Oh I need You
Walking down these desert roads
Water for my thirsty soul
I need You
Oh I need You

Chorus

Your forgiveness
Is like sweet sweet honey on my lips
Like the sound of a symphony to my ears
Like holy water on my skin

Verse 2

Dead man walking slave to sin
I wanna know about being born again
I need You
Oh God I need You
So take me to the riverside
Take me under baptize
I need You
Oh God I need You oh

Chorus

Your forgiveness
Is like sweet sweet honey on my lips
Like the sound of a symphony to my ears
Like holy water on my skin

Bridge

I don't wanna abuse Your grace
God I need it every day
It's the only thing that ever really
Makes me wanna change

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Yeah it's like holy water on my skin
Oh it's like holy water

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Charge and Blessing

Leader: In the coming week what does God call us to do?

People: **We are called to: Introduce Jesus Christ to those who do not know Him;
deepen the faith and commitment of those who already know Him;
and demonstrate Christ's way of love in service to the world.**

Benediction

Postlude

Praise Band

Worship Concludes – Service Begins!

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