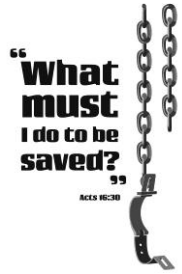


May 29, 2022

9:15 AM Common Thread Worship

Please tell the lot attendant how you will be worshiping (inside, patio, parking lot) so they can direct you where best to park. Please remember to follow the directions of our ushers. We will continue to use generous spacing, respect the boundaries of others, and rejoice that we may worship together!



Welcome

Song – I Will Rise

There's a peace I've come to know, though my heart and flesh may fail.
There's an anchor for my soul. I can say, "It is well."
Jesus has overcome, and the grave is overwhelmed.
The victory is won. He is risen from the dead.
And I will rise, when He calls my name; no more sorrow, no more pain.
I will rise on eagles' wings, before my God, fall on my knees and rise. I will rise.

There's a day that's dawning near when this darkness breaks to light,
And the shadows disappear, and my faith shall be my eyes.
Jesus has overcome, and the grave is overwhelmed.
The victory is won. He is risen from the dead.
And I will rise, when He calls my name; no more sorrow, no more pain.
I will rise on eagles' wings, before my God, fall on my knees and rise. I will rise.

And I hear the voices of many angels sing, "Worthy is the Lamb."
And I hear the cry of ev'ry longing heart, "Worthy is the Lamb."
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And I hear the cry of ev'ry longing heart, "Worthy is the Lamb. Worthy is the Lamb."

I will rise, when He calls my name; no more sorrow, no more pain.
I will rise on eagles' wings, before my God, fall on my knees and rise. I will rise. I will rise.

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Sharing Peace

Song – I Believe in Jesus

I believe in Jesus, I believe He is the Son of God.
I believe He died and rose again, I believe He paid for us all.
And I believe He's here now, standing in our midst,
here with the power to heal now, and the grace to forgive.

I believe in You, Lord, I believe You are the Son of God.
I believe You died and rose again, I believe You paid for us all.
And I believe You're here now, standing in our midst,
here with the power to heal now, and the grace to forgive.
And I believe You're here now standing in our midst,
here with the power to heal now and the grace to forgive.

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Prayer Time & Lord's Prayer

(To share your joys and concerns, please text them to Kim at 919-624-1404.)

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Song – Forevermore

Long before the earth, before there was light, Lord, You were.

Endless are You, God; no time can contain all You are.

There's no other God before You; there is no one to replace You. You are forevermore.

And there's no other God I call to; You are the One that I cling to. You are forevermore.

Faithful are You, God; You never change. Lord, You are.

Only You are God; forever You reign above it all.

There's no other God before You; there is no one to replace You. You are forevermore.

And there's no other God I call to; You are the One that I cling to. You are forevermore.

There's no other, no one greater; there is none like You.

There's no other, no one greater; there is none like You.

There's no other, no one greater; there is none like You.

There's no other God before You; there is no one to replace You. You are forevermore.

And there's no other God I call to; You are the One I cling to. You are forevermore. You are forevermore.

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Scripture Lesson – Acts 16: 16-34

One day as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a female slave who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men, these Jews, are disturbing our city and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us, being Romans, to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken, and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them, and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Message – Why Are You Here?

Song – *Let God Arise*

Hear the holy roar of God resound, watch the waters part before us now.

Come and see what He has done for us; tell the world of His great love.

Our God is a God who saves. Our God is a God who saves.

Let God arise, let God arise.

Our God reigns now and forever, He reigns now and forever.

His enemies will run for sure; and the Church will stand, She will endure.

He holds the keys of life, our Lord; death has no sting, no final word.

Our God is a God who saves. Our God is a God who saves.

Let God arise, let God arise.

Our God reigns now and forever, He reigns now and forever.

God arise, let God arise.

Our God reigns now and forever, He reigns now and forever.

Our God is a God who saves. Our God is a God who saves. Our God is a God who saves.

Let God arise, let God arise.

Our God reigns now and forever, He reigns now and forever.

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Blessing & Sending Out

Sharing Offerings, On to Discipleship, and Into the World!

What to know this week ...

Meetings this week: *New Hope Strummers (Continuing Strummers), 6PM Thursday in Music Room; UMW Yard Sale, Saturday 7AM in Carson Hall*

The church office will be closed tomorrow, May 30, for Memorial Day.

The Yard Sale is coming on 7AM-NOON Saturday! *Get your donations ready! Donation times are 12 noon-6pm on Wednesday, and 9am-6pm on Thursday and Friday. Please contact Kay Smallwood (919-414-9630) or Sharon Johnson (919-624-9465) for more information or to volunteer.*

New Hope Strummers Update: *We are regrouping to better meet the needs of our diverse range of participants! The first group will be "Continuing Strummers," or those strummers with prior ukulele experience. They will meet 6-7PM on the first and third Thursdays in the Music Room. The second & fourth Thursdays will break into two groups: Beginning Ukulele for grades 2-6 will meet in the Music Room 5:45-6:15PM, and Beginning Ukulele for 7th grade-adult will meet 6:15-7PM. On fifth Thursdays, all groups will meet 6-7PM together. If you'd still like to join or would like more information, please contact Sheila DeBastiani (919-763-5782).*

You Are Invited *to a celebration luncheon to thank Pastor Kim for her years of ministry here at St. James. It will be held after Sanctuary worship on Sunday, June 5. Please RSVP to lbpayne2015@gmail.com to better help with our food planning. The menu will be spaghetti, salad, bread, and dessert. Questions?? Contact Leslie Payne or Sandra Horton.*