Worship Service for October 12, 2025

Welcome and Announcements Linell Pike

Upcoming Events

MondayHappy Indigenous People Day No office hrs

Tuesday 7pm via zoom Church Leadership Council meeting

Wednesday 5pm via zoom Prudential meeting

6pm via zoom Bible Basics

7pm via zoom Missions meeting

Thursday 5pm Chicken pie dinner: contact Martha Thompson @ (802)362-3473 or Lisa Towslee @ (802) 262-3076 for reservation. Also, we need help peeling potatoes 9:30 on Thurs.

Celebrations

Happy Birthday to:

Margot Olmstead Tomorrow

Happy Anniversary to:

Chris & Lisa Towslee Today; JR & Holly O'Brien on Tuesday

Thank You to Lisa Towslee for the flowers

Mission's Moment - Linell Pike: World missions

Word of Preparation - Linell Pike

Prelude ~ Prelude from Well Tempered Klavier

Johann Sabastian Bach

Call to Worship ~ Be the Change Ministry

Please join in reading the bold lines

Look at your hands.

God made them for a purpose.

See the touch and usefulness.

We shall use them to do God's work.

Look at your feet.

God made them for a purpose.

See the direction and example.

We shall use them to do God's work.

Look into your heart.

God made it for a purpose.

See the love and determination.

We shall use it to do God's work.

Look at the cross.

God made it for a purpose.

See God's Son, the Saviour.

We shall follow him in God's work.

Look at your world.

God made it for a purpose,

See where God calls you to serve him.

We shall go out and do God's work.

May the God who loves you endlessly lead you from belief into action.

Amen.

Hymn -#543 Blue Hymnal: Blessed Assurance

Verse 1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long; This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long;

Verse 2

Perfect submission, perfect delight, Visions of rapture now burst on my sight; Angels descending, bring from above, Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. Refrain

Verse 3

Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest, Watching and waiting, looking above, Filled with His goodness, lost in His love. Refrain

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Praying Together ~

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

Hymn - #566 Blue Hymnal: Be Still My Soul

Verse 1

Be still my soul: for God is on your side; Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain. Trust in your God, your Savoir and your guide, Who through all changes faithful will remain. Be still my soul: your best your heav'nly Friend, Through thorny ways leads to a peaceful end.

Verse 2

Be still my soul: for God will undertake
To guide the future surely as the past.
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still my soul: the waves and winds still know
The voice that calmed them in the world below.

Verse 3

Be still my soul: the hour is hastening on When we shall dwell with God forever more, When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone, Sorrow forgotten, love's purest joys restored. Be still my soul: when change and tears are past, All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

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Intro to sermon - Rev Dr. Theresa Taylor

Scripture text - John 8:34; Romans 6:23; Matthew 5:4; Isaiah 61:1-3; 2 Corinthians 1:3-4; Revelation 21:4

John 8:34

Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin.

Rom 6:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in [a] Christ Jesus our Lord.

Matt 5:4

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Isa 61:1-3

2 Cor 1:3-4

The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me, because the Lord has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners,[a] 2to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn. 33and provide for those who grieve in Zion to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes. the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. They will be called oaks of righteousness. a planting of the Lord for the display of his splendor.

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, 4who comforts

us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.

Rev 21: 4

He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' [b] or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."

Sermon - Happy are those who mourn." -

Rev Dr Theresa Taylor

Song -I Can Only Imagine

Verse 1
I can only imagine
What it will be like
When I walk by Your side
I can only imagine
What my eyes will see
When Your face is before me
I can only imagine

Chorus

Surrounded by Your glory
What will my heart feel
Will I dance for You Jesus
Or in awe of You be still
Will I stand in Your presence
Or to my knees will I fall
Will I sing hallelujah
Will I be able to speak at all
I can only imagine
I can only imagine

Verse 2
I can only imagine
When that day comes
And I find myself standing in the Son
I can only imagine
When all I will do
Is forever forever worship You
I can only imagine
I can only imagine
Chorus

Ending
I can only imagine when all I will do
Is forever forever worship You
I can only imagine

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Benediction - Romans 15:5-6

May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Purpose:

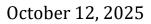
To share the love of Jesus

Vision:

Beacon of hope, welcoming all.

Mission:

Worship God, Follow Jesus, Rely on the Holy Spirit, and Love Everyone.



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Matt 5:4

