

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of Confession

Patient and ever-faithful God, we come to you this evening confessing that we can be a grumpy and unsatisfied people. When things are not perfect in our eyes, we murmur and complain, and grumble and doubt. We lose hope in the people around us and, even worse, we lose hope in you. We challenge instead of accept. We put you to the test rather than trust your caring love. Forgive our doubts and complaining. Forgive our loss of hope. Let your healing, life-giving waters pour over us. Restore our souls. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Our hope and assurance rest in God's unfailing love and forgiveness. Open your hearts and minds and souls that the healing waters of God's never-ending love and forgiveness may flow into and over you. Know that in this love and forgiveness you have encountered the living God. Amen.

Opening Song

"Mighty to Save"

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¹ Ev'ryone needs compassion love that's never failing let mercy fall on me
Ev'ryone needs forgiveness the kindness of a Saviour the hope of nations

Chorus

Saviour He can move the mountains my God is mighty to save He is mighty to save
Forever Author of salvation He rose and conquered the grave Jesus conquered the grave

² So take me as You find me all my fears and failures fill my life again
I give my life to follow ev'rything I believe in now I surrender

(Bridge)

Shine your light and let the whole world see we're singing
For the glory of the risen King Jesus
Shine your light and let the whole world see
We're singing for the glory of the risen King

Reading

Acts 2:42-47

⁴²They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. ⁴⁴All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Offering

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Prayers

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 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 and ever. Amen.

Closing Song

"What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine"

Text: Elisha A. Hoffman, 1839-1929

¹ What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;
leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

² Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms;
oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain*

³ What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain*

Blessing

May the Lord, mighty Lord bless and keep you forever.
Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.
Lift your eyes to see God's face and God's grace forever.
May the Lord, mighty Lord, bless and keep you forever.