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Sunday Worship Service

May 5, 2024

11:30 AM

Welcome

Centering for Worship - O God, You Are Closer

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O God, You are closer
Than we are to ourselves
Draw us closer to You

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing – Hymn #45

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer
Hither by Thine help I've come
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wandering from the fold of God
He, to rescue me from danger
Interposed His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let that grace now, like a fetter
Bind my wandering heart to Thee
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart, O take and seal it
Seal it for Thy courts above

Prayer of Confession

Have Mercy

CCLI Song # 7041358 Sandra McCracken

Have mercy on me,
Have mercy on me
O Lord, have mercy
O Lord, have mercy

Assurance of Pardon

Who You Say I am

CCLI Song # 7102401 Ben Fielding | Reuben Morgan © 2017 Hillsong Music Publishing Australia

Who am I that the highest King
Would welcome me
I was lost but He brought me in
Oh His love for me
Oh His love for me

Free at last
He has ransomed me
His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin
Jesus died for me
Yes He died for me

Who the Son sets free
Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God, yes I am
In my Father's house
There's a place for me
I'm a child of God, yes I am

I am chosen not forsaken
I am who You say I am
You are for me not against me
I am who You say I am
I am who You say I am

Prayers of the People

Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost*

Response and Offering

You are now invited to light a candle at the back of the sanctuary



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Exodus 19:1-9

¹ On the third new moon after the Israelites had gone out of the land of Egypt, on that very day, they came into the wilderness of Sinai. ² They journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. ³ Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob and tell the Israelites: ⁴ 'You have seen what I did to the Egyptians and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. ⁵ Now, therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, ⁶ but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites."

⁷ So Moses went, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him. ⁸ The people all answered as one, "Everything that the Lord has spoken we will do." Moses reported the words of the people to the Lord. ⁹ Then

the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to come to you in a dense cloud, in order that the people may hear when I speak with you and so trust you ever after."

John 15:9-17

⁹As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.

¹²"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing, but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Sermon

The Greatest Commandment

CCLI Song # 7133722 Paul Zach © Integrity's Alleluia! Music; Paul Zach Publishing

Love the Lord your God
With all your heart and soul and mind
And love your neighbor as yourself

Let us be known let us be known
By the way we love

Love love love the greatest commandment is
Love love love the greatest commandment is
Love love love the greatest commandment is love

Invitation to the Table

Communion

Prayer After Communion

Sending Song – from God of Justice

CCLI Song # 4447128 Tim Hughes © 2004 Thankyou Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

Freely we've received
Now freely we will give
Freely we've received
Now freely we will give
Freely we've received
Now freely we will give

We must go
live to feed the hungry
Stand beside the broken
We must go
Stepping forward
keep us from just singing
Move us into action
We must go

Love the Lord your God
With all your heart and soul and mind
And love your neighbor as yourself

Let us be known let us be known
By the way we love

Benediction

Thank you to our Leaders in Worship

Pastor: Rev. Drew Peterson

Pastor for Imaginative Worship: Rev. Dr. Taylor Telford

Worship Leaders: Nick Robertson, Juan Chona, Lois

Robertson, Marie Curtis, Beth Abbey

Audio/Video Technician: Jason Stuart

Greeter: Lois Robertson

Upcoming Schedule

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| May 5 | Bloomsday! | All Day |
| | Worship & Communion | 11:30 a.m. |
| | Congregational Meeting | After Worship |
| | First Sunday! Potluck | After Meeting |
| May 12 | Mother's Day | All Day |
| | Ministry Team Meetings | Before Worship |
| | Worship | 11:30 a.m. |
| May 19 | Worship | 11:30 a.m. |
| | Congregational Meeting | After Worship |
| May 21 | Session | 6 p.m. |
| May 26 | Worship | 11:30 a.m. |
| May 27 | Memorial Day - Office Closed | All Day |

Announcements

Congregational Meeting - May 5th

There will be a Congregational Meeting on **Sunday, May 5th** immediately following worship, for the purpose of electing a church nominating committee.

First Sunday! Potluck

The next first Sunday potluck will be today, **May 5th** following the congregational meeting. With the warmer weather, the theme is salads and sides. Bring an item to share or just come and enjoy!

Congregational Meeting – May 19th

There will be a Congregational Meeting on **Sunday, May 19th** immediately following worship, for the purpose of electing a new ruling elder.

Nursery Attendant

Knox is looking for a Sunday morning nursery attendant. We need someone who loves small children to spend time with our little ones during worship on the Sundays we have them with us. If you or someone you know might be interested in learning more, please contact our office administrator, Jill Walters, by emailing admin@spokaneknoxpc.org.

Prayers

Mike Helland

Pray for Mike that his breathing issues are improving. Also pray for his kidney function and that he may soon be well enough to come home from the hospital.

Pam Billington

Prayers for a good biopsy report. Also prayers for Pam to give her peace and strength as she goes through this journey and awaits the result of her biopsy.

Erin Bell

Continue to pray for Erin Bell who lost her mom in early April as she journeys forward.

Erika Carnie-Haub

Pray for Erika as she is making progress in her cancer treatment but has been turned down by her health insurance company for a recommended additional drug to accelerate her progress. Pray that the State of Washington will grant her request for disability payments. Let us pray, as Uncle Dick suggests, for an aggressive oncologist who will fight for Erika getting the medications she needs to win the battle as well as for their family as they go through this with her.

Jane Raymer

Let us pray for Jane that her lungs continue to heal, her breathing continues to get better and that she will be able to operate without oxygen in the near future.

Richard Raymond

Continue to pray for Richard Raymond's health, specifically for good lab results for Dick on Monday the 29th and praises that his energy level is staying up through this last treatment cycle. Also please continue to pray for strength for Trudy. You can leave a prayer and follow their journey on Caring Bridge **by scanning the Knox Link Tree QR Code below.**

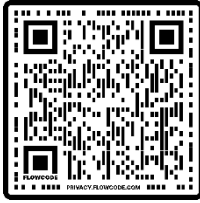
Peace

Please continue to pray for peace in Ukraine, Gaza, Israel, and everywhere in the world where there is war and violence.

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