# **Home Worship Guide**

Fourth Sunday of Lent, March 22, 2020

We hope you will use this home worship guide this Sunday. We encourage you to gather together with your family and any other neighbors or friends who might be in your home to worship with you.

Debbie is also sending a guide to all parents to use with your children. If you didn't get that, please email dgainer@fpcmid.org. We hope that they will enjoy and participate, but would like to encourage your whole family to join together for prayer at the end of worship.

Even though we are not all in the same place, we recognize God is present with each of us. Please join in the call to worship and prayer of confession. Feel free to sing! Let us worship God!

Song of Praise "Cornerstone"

Welcome and Call to Worship (from Psalm 46)

God is our refuge and strength, **A very present help in trouble.** The nations rage, the kingdoms totter. **The Lord utters his voice, and the earth melts.** Therefore we will not fear, though the earth gives way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea. **The Lord of hosts is with us! The God of Jacob is our refuge.** 

**Prayer of Adoration** 

Song

"Be Thou My Vision"

### **Prayer of Confession**

Lord Jesus, in your mercy, forgive us. As you came to the blind man and gave him sight, come to us in our darkness and show us things we cannot see. We are prone to focus on fear, rather than faith; to focus on ourselves, rather than the needs of neighbors; to look to blame, rather than forgive; to seek to be served, rather than to serve. Lord, in your mercy, forgive us.

Take a moment of silence for personal prayers of confession.

**Assurance of Forgiveness** 

**Sung Response** 

*"Be Thou My Vision"* (verse 4)

### First Scripture Lesson

John 9:1-23 (NIV)

Song

"God I Look to You"

### **Second Scripture Lesson**

John 9:24-41 (NIV)

### Sermon

### Sung Response "Be Not Afraid"

### **Praying Together**

Spend some time praying together in response to our Savior who heals and helps us to see. Consider prayers along the following:

Pray that the Lord would help us see the work that he is doing even in the midst of difficult times.

Pray that our Lord would guide the church to love its neighbors in this moment.

Pray that God would save lives from the Coronavirus.

Pray that God would give our authorities wisdom and guidance.

Ask the Holy Spirit to strengthen and bless our healthcare workers.

Ask the Holy Spirit to equip us with ways to safely and self-sacrificially serve our local community at this moment, especially those who are most vulnerable or are in need of work.

Song

"Goodness of God"

Benediction

# Song Sheets March 22, 2020

### Cornerstone

My hope is built on nothing less, than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame. but wholly trust in Jesus' name

My hope is built on nothing less, than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame. but wholly trust in Jesus' name

Christ alone, cornerstone, weak made strong, in Saviour's love Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of all When darkness seems to hide His face, I rest on His unchanging grace In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil

Christ alone, cornerstone, weak made strong, in Saviour's love Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of all, He is Lord, Lord of all

Christ alone, cornerstone, weak made strong, in Saviour's love Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of all, Lord of all

# **Be Thou My Vision**

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art. Thou my best Thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord; Thou my soul's shelter, and Thou my high tower; Raise Thou me heavenward, O Power of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise, Thou mine Inheritance, now and always: Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

High King of Heaven, my victory won, May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

# God I Look To You

God I look to You I won't be overwhelmed Give me vision to see things like You do

God I look to You You're where my help comes from Give me wisdom You know just what to do

I will love You Lord my strength I will love You Lord my shield I will love You Lord my rock Forever all my days I will love You God

Hallelujah our God reigns Hallelujah our God reigns Hallelujah our God reigns Forever all my days hallelujah

Oh oh oh Forever all my days hallelujah

### **Be Not Afraid**

You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst. You shall wander far in safety though you do not know the way. You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will understand. You shall see the face of God and live.

Be not afraid. I go before you always; Come follow me, and I will give you rest.

If you pass through raging waters in the sea, you shall not drown. If you walk amid the burning flames, you shall not be harmed. If you stand before the pow'r of hell and death is at your side, know that I am with you through it all.

Be not afraid. I go before you always; Come follow me, and I will give you rest.

# **Goodness of God**

I love You Lord, oh Your mercy never fails me All my days I've been held in Your hands From the moment that I wake up, until I lay my head Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

And all my life You have been faithful And all my life You have been so, so good With every breath that I am able Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

I love Your voice, You have led me through the fire And in dark - est nights You are close like no other I've known You as a father, I've known You as a friend And I have lived in the goodness of God

'Cause Your goodness is running after, it's running after me Cause Your goodness is running after, it's running after me With my life laid down, I'm sur - rendered now I give You every – thing Cause Your goodness is running after, it's running after me

And all my life You have been faithful And all my life You have been so, so good With every breath that I am able Oh, I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God

Cause all my life You have been faithful And all my life You have been so, so good With every breath that I am able Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God Oh, I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God