



In Preparation for Worship

"We say 'the church' and speak the words in thoughtful voice and low;
I wonder what we feel and think - I wonder if we know
That stone and brick and stately spire and massive Gothic door
Are not 'the church' in fullest sense; 'the church' is something more,
Not just the sacred house of God, though hallowed from above.
'The church' is all the countless folk who fellowship in love..."
- *Becoming a Member of the Presbyterian Church, 1951*

Gathering Prayer

Prelude

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

At this time, please take a moment to let us know you are worshipping online with us by sharing your name in the "comments" on our live feed!

Call to Worship

Leader: We are travelers.
People: We sing songs and say prayers.
Leader: We give thanks and break bread.
People: We wrestle with life, death, and everything between.
Leader: We struggle together along this Lent journey.
All: In our worship, God, remind us once again that we do not travel alone.

Opening Hymn #664*

Morning Has Broken

**Hymn sheets are located at the end of the bulletin.*

Call to Confession

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession

from Dietrich Bonhoeffer

O God, the struggle of our calling is great, and so every morning we turn and cry to you. Help us to pray and to concentrate our thoughts on you; We cannot do this alone. In each of us there is darkness, but with you there is light. We are lonely, but you do not leave us. We are feeble in heart, but with you there is help. We are restless, but with you there is peace. Whatever this day may bring, may your name be praised. Hear also the personal confessions on our hearts... *(Silence is kept for personal reflection.)*

Leader: Lord, in your mercy.
People: Hear our prayer. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Song of Praise #581

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
World without end. Amen.

Passing the Peace of Christ

We encourage you to pass the peace with your fellow worshippers in the "comments" of our live feed!

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Mark 13:1-8,24-37

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Tell Us Our Story

Shannon Dill

Sermon

Everything Will Be OK

David Lower

Prayers of the People

The 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 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.

Offering

*Giving is a tangible sign of worship. During this interesting time in our world, we encourage you to continue to share your time, talent and treasure. You may also "Text to Give" to **73256**. The body of the text needs to start with the keyword **GIVETOSLPRES** followed by the amount.*

Offertory

Song of Thanksgiving #607

Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.**

Hymn #353*

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

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Benediction

Postlude

SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:

For the latest information, go to slpres.org.

All church activities that require in-person gathering have been canceled indefinitely, consistent with the decision made by Dekalb County School District in consultation with state and county boards of health. The cancellation of gathering activities will go at least through Sunday, March 29th, but likely beyond, even including Holy Week. As long as we are on hiatus from in-person gathering, we will conduct our worship services online Sundays at 10:30. If you have an emergency or need pastoral care, please do not hesitate to contact one of the pastors on their cell phones.

The church building and office will be closed for at least two weeks (beginning March 16), consistent with the closure of Dunwoody's City Hall. This will apply to all groups using the Saint Luke's campus for gathering, with an exception made for Family Promise's hospitality for families experiencing homelessness.

Family Promise guest families will be staying overnight at Saint Luke's starting Sunday, March 29th until it is safe to resume rotating between congregations. Hospitality during this time will be limited for the safety of the guests. The scheduled host congregation will supply overnight volunteers. If you would like to know how you can help, please contact Saint Luke's Family Promise coordinators Betsy King and Sydney Underhill.

The Board of Deacons of the church has also mobilized care and caregivers for anyone who needs assistance during this time of isolation, like shopping and other errands. There will be more information forthcoming about care at Saint Luke's, but you can contact Pastor Shannon Dill (shannondill@slpres.org) or Loving Care Committee deacon chair Emily Ritzler (eritzler@gmail.com) for more information. We will be checking on each other even more so these days and no one in the Saint Luke's family is alone.

Adult Sunday school classes and other small groups will be meeting virtually! Please check with your class/group leader for more information. We will also have online opportunities for everyone to join in fellowship and spiritual growth. Details will be posted on our Facebook page, website and Highlights emails as they become available.

Morning Has Broken

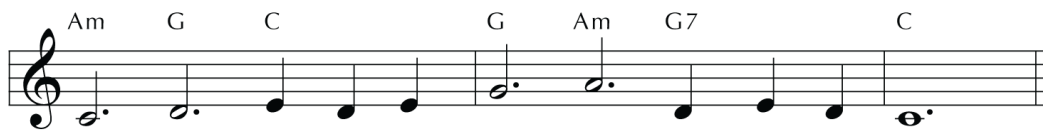
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1 Morn-ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing; black-bird has
 2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from heav - en, like the first
 3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing, born of the



spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the
 dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet-ness of the wet
 one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion; praise ev - ery



morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
 gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
 morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

This 20th-century text was created to provide words for this traditional tune named for a small village on the Isle of Mull, off the west coast of Scotland. Through repeated use of "new" and "first," each morning is treated as a re-creation of the promise of the original day.

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less 353

1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and
 2 When dark-ness seems to hide his face, I rest on his un-
 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup - port me in the
 4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in

righteous-ness; I dare not trust the sweet-est frame, but
 chang-ing grace; in ev-ery high and storm-y gale, my
 whelm-ing flood; when all a-round my soul gives way, he
 him be found, dressed in his righ-teous-ness a-lone, fault-

Refrain

whol-ly lean on Je-sus' name.
 an-chor holds with-in the veil. On Christ, the sol-id Rock, I stand; all
 then is all my hope and stay.
 less to stand be-fore the throne.

oth-er ground is sink-ing sand; all oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

This hymn develops the imagery of Jesus' remark (Matthew 7:24-27/Luke 6:47-49) that those who believe in him and act on that belief are like someone who builds a house on a rock. The text is set to a tune created for it by a prolific 19th-century American composer and editor.