



May 29, 2022
11:00am Worship



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Welcome to Worship at Aldersgate Church.

Prelude

Welcome & Community Time

Mortgage May Ministry Moment

* Call to Worship

Encouraged by Christ, we share in the Spirit. Let us worship God.

We worship with humility and love trusting that one is not better than another.

Finding our unity in Christ, we worship with one mind, one love and one accord.

**With the courage to be vulnerable, with the courage to be gracious,
let us worship with the courage to put others before ourselves.**

* Hymn #529 | *How Firm a Foundation*

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in his excellent word!
What more can he say than to you he hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen and help thee, and cause thee to stand
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials thy pathways shall lie,
My grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

* Opening Prayer | A Memorial Day Prayer

Almighty God, we thank You for bringing us together at this Memorial Day celebration to acknowledge the debt we owe to the men and women of the United States military who have guarded this country with their lives. We especially honor those who lost their lives while defending this nation. They fought on land, at sea, and in the air, always understanding that they may not come back from the mission and accepting that as part of the job. They were willing to risk death to protect this land we hold so dear and the American people along with it. We thank them for their sacrifice and promise we'll carry on their legacy to ensure they did not die in vain. Father, we pray that You strengthen and protect all our military personnel who are serving presently and in the future. Give them the courage to face whatever comes, protect them in battle, and help them prosper in times of peace. Watch over their families, Lord, as You watch over us all. We put our trust and faith in You and even though we don't always understand Your ways, we accept that You have a plan for each and every one of us. Please help us fulfill our personal missions, whatever they may be. Amen.

* Gloria

**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. Amen**

* Passing of the Peace

Receiving of our Tithes and Offerings

* Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

* Offertory Prayer

* Hymn #534 | *Be Still, My Soul*

**Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side.
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
Leave to your God to order and provide;
In every change, God faithful will remain.
Be still my soul: your best, your heavenly friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.**

**Be still, my soul: your God doth undertake
To guide the future, as in ages 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 Christ who ruled them while he dwelt below.**

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

Scripture

Listen for the word of God

Joshua 1:6-9

Be strong and courageous, for you shall lead this people to possess the land that I swore to their ancestors to give them. Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to act in accordance with all the law that my servant Moses commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, so that you may be successful wherever you go. This book of the law shall not depart out of your mouth; you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to act in accordance with all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall be successful. I hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.”

Anthem

Ave Maria

Chapleigh Denman

Sermon

Courage For Our Time

Randy Orndorff

Pastoral Prayer & 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 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. Amen.

* Affirmation of Faith from Romans

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine, or nakedness or peril or sword?

No! In all things we are more than conquerors through the One who loved us. We are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Thanks be to God! Amen.

* Hymn #662 | *Stand Up and Bless the Lord*

**Stand up and bless the Lord,
Ye people of his choice;
Stand up and bless the lord your God
With heart, and soul, and voice.**

**Though high above all praise,
Above all blessings high,
Who would not fear his holy name,
And laud and magnify.**

**O for the living flame
From his own altar brought,
To touch our lips, our minds inspire,
And wings to heaven our thought!**

**God is our strength and son,
And his salvation ours;
Then be his love in Christ proclaimed
With all our ransomed powers.**

**Stand up and bless the Lord;
The Lord your God adore;
Stand up and bless his glorious name,
Henceforth forever more.**

* Benediction

Lift up your eyes to the heavens.

Christ ascended to show us the way.

Trust the Spirit's power.

Christ ascended to clothe us with power and courage.

Go as witnesses of the risen Lord.

Christ ascended to bring us eternal life.

Postlude

* Congregation standing as able.

All text in bold indicates congregation participation.

Altar flowers given today by Flip Biondi in memory of her beloved son, Jesse Park, and beloved father, Alec Biondi.

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