

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31, 2021

“There is some pleasure in being on board a ship battered by storms when one is certain of not perishing. The persecutions buffeting the Church are like this.”

— Blaise Pascal



Order of Worship
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Gathering

Rising Sun — *All Sons and Daughters*

Praise Him all you sinners
Sing oh sing you weary
Oh praise Him all you children of God
We lift high His glory
Shown throughout our stories
We praise Him as the children of God

*Our Great Redeemer
Glorious Savior
Your name is higher than the rising sun
Light of the morning
You shine forever
Your name is higher than the rising sun
Your name is higher than the rising sun*

Praise His name forever
Speak it loud and clear now
Oh praise Him all you children of God

*Our Great Redeemer
Glorious Savior
Your name is higher than the rising sun
Light of the morning
You shine forever
Your name is higher than the rising sun
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Hallelujah name above all
Simply to speak Your name is praise
Hallelujah I will always forever
We lift your name in praise

The largest book in the Bible is primarily a book of poems set to music to sing God praises. This is all part of God's design to surround His presence with singing. Gratitude to God expresses dependence upon God and is an antidote for cynicism, criticism, and bitterness.

Welcome

No Longer Slaves — *Jonathan David and Melissa Helser*

You unravel me with a melody
You surround me with a song
Of deliverance from my enemies
'Til all my fears are gone

*I'm no longer a slave to fear
I am a child of God
I'm no longer a slave to fear
I am a child of God*

From my mother's womb
You have chosen me
Love has called my name
I've been born again into Your family
Your blood flows through my veins

Chorus

You split the sea so I could walk right through it
My fears were drowned in perfect love
You rescued me so I could stand and sing
I am a child of God

JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

SONG — Zach Fleury

It has been the practice of the church for thousands of years to have portions of the Bible read during worship services. We do this because we are people who need to be shaped by all of God's word.

Message

Text: Matthew 14:1-12

Series/Title: Church Without Walls/Persecution

Speaker: Dave Sellers

At that time Herod the tetrarch heard about the fame of Jesus, ² and he said to his servants, “This is John the Baptist. He has been raised from the dead; that is why these miraculous powers are at work in him.” ³ For Herod had seized John and bound him and put him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip’s wife, ⁴ because John had been saying to him, “It is not lawful for you to have her.” ⁵ And though he wanted to put him to death, he feared the people, because they held him to be a prophet. ⁶ But when Herod’s birthday came, the daughter of Herodias danced before the company and pleased Herod, ⁷ so that he promised with an oath to give her whatever she might ask. ⁸ Prompted by her mother, she said, “Give me the head of John the Baptist here on a platter.” ⁹ And the king was sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he commanded it to be given. ¹⁰ He sent and had John beheaded in the prison, ¹¹ and his head was brought on a platter and given to the girl, and she brought it to her mother. ¹² And his disciples came and took the body and buried it, and they went and told Jesus.

I’ll Fly Away — *Albert E. Brumley, 1929*

Some bright morning when this life is over, I’ll fly away
To that home on God’s celestial shore, I’ll fly away

*I’ll fly away, oh glory, I’ll fly away
When I die, Hallelujah, by and by, I’ll fly away*

When the shadows of this life have gone, I’ll fly away
Like a bird from these prison walls I’ll fly, I’ll fly away

Oh, how glad and happy when we meet, I’ll fly away
No more cold iron shackles on my feet, I’ll fly away

Just a few more weary days and then, I’ll fly away
To a land where joys will never end, I’ll fly away

STORIES — Ron and Kathy Hopkins, Dana and Steve Webber

BENEDICTION

The benediction, different from good wishes or even a prayer, is a pronouncement of God’s blessing. God sends us out in peace, giving us his presence as we go to be blessing-bearers to the world.

Announcements

Prayer Request Pray for students. During these hard times, many are being pulled down by anxiety, depression and other mental health conditions.

Men's Ministry As a church, we want to be supportive of each other via Community Groups, Men's Bible Study, small groups, worship, and friendships. If you're looking for a place to be connected, please email, text or call Dave Sellers (206) 334.5205.

- MEN'S RETREAT: Save the date! Sept.17-21, 2021 @ Ft. Worden
- FRIDAY AM BIBLE STUDY: email irbarbers@gmail.com for Zoom link
- PROMISE KEEPERS MEN'S MARRIAGE SUMMIT: The combination of the pandemic and the economic fallout are having a painfully detrimental effect on families; the number of people who have died, the loss of jobs, and domestic violence are part of this sad reality. What about marriage? If you're married, how is your relationship with your wife, honestly? We encourage you to watch this pre-recorded event. There are lots of speakers--some you'll like, others, maybe not, but all of them are brief, providing encouragement and hope in ups and downs of marriage.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=PhJOMlmUXY4>

Winter Women's - BIBLE STUDY: Join us as we begin a New Testament study into the book of Colossians, using Ruth Chou Simon's videos and study book *Truthfilled*. We will meet via Zoom for this seven-week study, starting the week of January 18, through the week of March 8 (No meetings on week of Feb 15-- Midwinter break for schools). For more info, email Kerri Koenig: kerri@crosssound.org

Crisis Hotline Volunteers Needed for Coffee Oasis, a ministry that helps local homeless youth, have seen a huge increase in the number of kids struggling emotionally and thus using a text hotline they offer. Interested? Email joshua.goss@thecoffeeoasis.com or go to <https://thecoffeeoasis.com/volunteer/>