

Sunday June 11th, 2023

PRELUDE:

MEDITATION PRAYER:

"Now know that I the Lord saves his anointed; I will hear them from my holy heaven with the saving strength of my right hand. Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the Lord our God. They are brought down and fallen: but we are risen, and stand upright." (Psalm 20:6-8)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Meet & Greet:

CALL TO WORSHIP:

P: Wonderful people, allow the the Lord to be your saving strength in good times and in bad times, in times of plenty and in times of diminution.

C: Like watchmen on the wall we hold fast to the truth of God. When Israel was in Egypt land there seemed to be no hope for their release and freedom, but the mighty hand of God took precedence and saved his people.

P: God is the same today, yesterday and forever! He will hide us in his pavilion, and in the innermost parts of his heart his love will continue to overflow for us!

C: Like watchmen on the wall we will continue to hold fast to the truth of God; because it is written that "weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning."

P: So never be overly perplexed by the rudiments of this world. Trust in God, worship God, and watch his miracles come to past!

C: We will never lose hope, we will never stop believing, we will continue to hold fast to the truth of God.

ALL: A measure of wheat and a measure of barley, a signet of gold and a cluster of precious stones, though all are valuable gifts, but the measure of God's love for us surpasses them all! Amen.

HYMN: #204R "Rejoice the Lord is King"

PRAYER OF INVOCATION:

Spirit of God, endue your church with your spirit of wisdom and the power of Christ. For those

who still question your existence, may your church and people stand strong, secure and advancing in your teachings and truth. Awaken our souls to continue to follow in your footsteps in a world where imperfectness prevails. Give us the courage to rise to the challenge. When we stumble, hold our hands, when we falter, teach us to be humble, and when in distress, Father, be our lamp-light and life-line. Today as we worship you, we invite and seek your presence among us. Furnish us with the fruits of your righteousness and be our saving strength in this world and throughout all eternity. Amen.

CALL TO PRAISE:

GLORIA PATRI:

SCRIPTURE READING: James 3:1-10

**SERMON: 'Poison Oaks & Vipers Tongues'
(by Minister Miriam Theodore)**

HYMN: #505B "Sweet Hour of Prayer"

OFFERTORY INVITATION:

"Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the first-fruits of all thine increase. So shall your barns be filled with plenty, and your presses shall burst out with new wine. Happy is the one who finds wisdom, and the one that gets understanding." (Proverbs 3:9-10 & verse 13).

OFFERTORY MUSIC:

DOXOLOGY:

PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

A TIME OF SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

MUSICAL RESPONSE:

HYMN: #363R "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

BENEDICTION:

POSTLUDE: