WORSHIP HANDOUT

September 20, 2020

Series: Stories from the Ship



OPENING OF WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PA to have outdoor "office hours" on Wednesdays from 9-12 each week. This week he'll be at Hathaway. Next week he'll be at Hope. Drive through communion is today!

Bible Study continues on Zoom on Tuesday evenings.

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come to us even now O Lord of Life,

P: And fill this place with your presence!

L: We praise your name and rejoice in your love,

P: We stand in utter amazement of who you are!

L: Everyone who calls upon you will find fulfillment,

P: They will rejoice forever, because you are God!

L: Rejoice and give thanks!

P: Halleluiah! Amen!

HYMN

Sweet Hour of Prayer 496

TIME OF PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER

O God, You are our God, the One in whom we trust.

We've gathered together today to worship You—

to open our hearts and minds to Your presence.

We long to meet You here, and to hear Your voice.

We come with confidence, because we've met You here before; we've been awed and inspired by Your glory and Your power. We come with gratitude, because we've known Your steadfast love—a love which is better than life itself.

And so we praise You lifting our voices, lifting our hands in joy and expectation.

Come among us in Your power.

Pour out Your spirit on our thirsty souls,
that we may be filled with Your goodness and love. Amen.

TIME OF SILENT PRAYER (MUSIC) 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 glory forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

LESSON I CEB

Psalm 42

Just like a deer that craves streams of water, my whole being craves you, God.

² My whole being thirsts for God, for the living God. When will I come and see God's face?

³ My tears have been my food both day and night,

as people constantly questioned me, "Where's your God now?"

⁴ But I remember these things as I bare my soul: how I made my way to the mighty one's abode,

to God's own house, with joyous shouts and thanksgiving songs— a huge crowd celebrating the festival!

⁵ Why, I ask myself, are you so depressed? Why are you so upset inside?

Hope in God!

Because I will again give him thanks, my saving presence and my God.

⁶ My whole being is depressed.

That's why I remember you from the land of Jordan and Hermon, from Mount Mizar.

⁷ Deep called to deep at the noise of your waterfalls; all your massive waves surged over me.

By day the Lord commands his faithful love; by night his song is with me—

a prayer to the God of my life.

⁹I will say to God, my solid rock, "Why have you forgotten me? Why do I have to walk around, sad, oppressed by enemies?"

¹⁰ With my bones crushed, my foes make fun of me, constantly questioning me: "Where's your God now?"

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Why are you so upset inside?

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LESSON 2 CEB

³⁵ Later that day, when evening came, Jesus said to them, "Let's cross over to the other side of the lake." ³⁶ They left the crowd and took him in the boat just as he was. Other boats followed along.

³⁷ Gale-force winds arose, and waves crashed against the boat so that the boat was swamped. ³⁸ But Jesus was in the rear of the boat, sleeping on a pillow. They woke him up and said, "Teacher, don't you care that we're drowning?"

³⁹ He got up and gave orders to the wind, and he said to the lake, "Silence! Be still!" The wind settled down and there was a great calm. ⁴⁰ Jesus asked them, "Why are you frightened? Don't you have faith yet?"

⁴¹ Overcome with awe, they said to each other, "Who then is this? Even the wind and the sea obey him!"

L: This is the Word of God for all people.

P: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE (Bill Cook)

HYMN When we are called to sing your praise 2216

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below:

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

L: Giving is not a casual act—
it relates God's work to our work.
Peter writes:

"as each has received a gift, employ it for one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace, that God may be glorified through Jesus Christ."

Let us give as people whose work is inextricably linked to God's great works of creation, redemption and empowerment.

Unison:

Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift, teach us to give to you all that we have and all that we are, that we may praise you not with our words only, but with our whole lives.

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

God be with you till we Meet Again 672 v 2 God be with you till we meet again; neath his wings securely hide you, Daily manna still provide you; God be with you till we meet again. Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet; Till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.