

WORSHIP HANDOUT
November 14th
“Greatest Regrets” series



OPENING OF WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Favorite Hymns, help us worship by telling us what you love to sing and why!

Thanksgiving Dinner at Mission Site on Nov 20, 1-3

Clothing Closet Reopening Nov 17, 9-11

PRELUDE

OPENING SONG

Open Doors

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: There is no God like our God—
who gives strength to the weak,

P: but breaks the power of the mighty;

L: who gives food to the famished,

P: but makes those already full work for their bread;

L: who raises the poor from the dust,

P: but humbles the proud and arrogant.

L: There is no God like our God!

*HYMN UMH 261 Lord of the Dance (Merry Anne Hilty's favorite)

TIME OF PRAYER

LITANY PRAYER

We are glad and rejoice forever in you, O God.

With joy we draw deeply from your well of salvation
and pray that even as we have sung, you may fulfill our story—
the story of your love.

Though the world has been gripped by trouble since early days,
and life has often been short and tormented,
you have given us a vision of a day beyond the terrors:
a day when the heavens and earth will be new again,
a day when the sound of weeping will give way to delight,
a time when all creation will live in peace
and people will long enjoy the fruits of their labors.
Help us to hold to that vision when the temples about us are falling,
and our world is shaken.

Strengthen us for the telling of your truth
and for keeping to your path,
that we might not weary in doing what is right,
but through endurance may gain our souls,
even as you desire for us to do.

Lord, hear our prayer....

As we pray for a new heaven and a new earth this day,
we especially are aware of those among us
and those beyond these doors who are in deep need of your peace,
of your healing touch, of your just and bounteous kingdom.

We pray those who dwell in places of strife, need, and want....

Lord, hear our prayer....

We pray for those who have been bereaved in the past week....

Lord, hear our prayer....

We pray for those who are unemployed and those fear layoff or
termination
and all those struggling with a burden in the workplace and the
marketplace....

Lord, hear our prayer....

And finally, we pray for today for those of our brothers and sisters who face persecution because of their faith.

For those who are deprived of their basic human rights,
and those who are deprived of their lives
because of their desire to worship and serve you...

Lord, hear our prayer....

Let us give thanks to the one to whom we pray,
the one who brings both the snow and the sun;
the one who heals this troubled world,
the sick, and those who turn to Him in faith;
the one who grants new life not only to us,
but to the creation itself....

Lord, hear our prayer....

Gracious God,
we pray to you in the name of the one who came to show us the way,
he who is our Lord and our Redeemer, our brother and our friend.
We pray to you as one family, even as he taught us, saying...

Our Father....

~ written by Rev. Richard J. Fairchild, and posted on **Kir-shalom**. <http://www.rockies.net/~spirit/sermons/c-or33sn.php>

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 now and
forever. Amen.

HYMN

UMH 496 Sweet Hour of Prayer

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Nancy Hoffman

LESSON I

CEB

I Sam 1:4-20

⁴ Whenever he sacrificed, Elkanah would give parts of the sacrifice to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters. ⁵ But he would give only one part of it to Hannah, though he loved her, because the Lord had kept her from conceiving. ⁶ And because the Lord had kept Hannah from conceiving, her rival would make fun of her mercilessly, just to bother her. ⁷ So that is what took place year after year. Whenever Hannah went to the Lord's house, Peninnah would make fun of her. Then she would cry and wouldn't eat anything.

⁸ "Hannah, why are you crying?" her husband Elkanah would say to her. "Why won't you eat? Why are you so sad? Aren't I worth more to you than ten sons?"

⁹ One time, after eating and drinking in Shiloh, Hannah got up and presented herself before the Lord. (Now Eli the priest was sitting in the chair by the doorpost of the Lord's temple.) ¹⁰ Hannah was very upset and couldn't stop crying as she prayed to the Lord. ¹¹ Then she made this promise: "Lord of heavenly forces, just look at your servant's pain and remember me! Don't forget your servant! Give her a boy! Then I'll give him to the Lord for his entire life. No razor will ever touch his head."

¹² As she kept praying before the Lord, Eli watched her mouth. ¹³ Now Hannah was praying in her heart; her lips were moving, but her voice was silent, so Eli thought she was drunk.

¹⁴ "How long will you act like a drunk? Sober up!" Eli told her.

¹⁵ "No sir!" Hannah replied. "I'm just a very sad woman. I haven't had any wine or beer but have been pouring out my heart to the Lord. ¹⁶ Don't think your servant is some good-for-nothing woman. This whole time I've been praying out of my great worry and trouble!"

¹⁷ Eli responded, "Then go in peace. And may the God of Israel give you what you've asked from him."

¹⁸ “Please think well of me, your servant,” Hannah said. Then the woman went on her way, ate some food, and wasn’t sad any longer.

¹⁹ They got up early the next morning and worshipped the Lord. Then they went back home to Ramah. Elkanah laid with his wife Hannah, and the Lord remembered her. ²⁰ So in the course of time, Hannah conceived and gave birth to a son. She named him Samuel, which means “I asked the Lord for him.”

May God add a blessing to this reading.

*LESSON 2

CEB

Mark 13:1-8

As Jesus left the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Teacher, look! What awesome stones and buildings!”

² Jesus responded, “Do you see these enormous buildings? Not even one stone will be left upon another. All will be demolished.”

³ Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives across from the temple. Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴ “Tell us, when will these things happen? What sign will show that all these things are about to come to an end?” Keep watch!

⁵ Jesus said, “Watch out that no one deceives you. ⁶ Many people will come in my name, saying, ‘I’m the one!’ They will deceive many people. ⁷ When you hear of wars and reports of wars, don’t be alarmed. These things must happen, but this isn’t the end yet. ⁸ Nations and kingdoms will fight against each other, and there will be earthquakes and famines in all sorts of places. These things are just the beginning of the sufferings associated with the end.

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

P: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

“Watching the Clouds”

HYMN

W&S 3048 View the Present Through the Promise

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.

UNISON PRAYER

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

UMH 143 On Eagle's Wings

POSTLUDE