

WORSHIP HANDOUT
Sunday November 10th

OPENING OF WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HANDBELL PRELUDE Celebration (OneLic) Fred Gramann

*SONG OF WELCOME Come Like a Fire

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come once more, with eager longing,
to receive the promises of God.

**Out of the desert places of our lives
we gather with joy and gladness.**

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob,
whose hope is in the Lord their God.

**Our God has promised that lonely places and deserts will be
glad
and blossom as the rose.**

The Lord has promised that the blind will be able to see,
the deaf will hear,
the lame will leap and dance,
and those who cannot speak will shout for joy.

**Our God,
who made heaven and earth and all that is in them,
keeps faith forever.**

**He sets the prisoners free
and brings healing to all who seek him.**

The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down
and watches over strangers.
He upholds the orphan and the widow.

**Our God executes justice for the oppressed
and gives food to the hungry.**

Come once more, with eager longing,
and bless the holy name of our God.

~ written by Richard J. Fairchild, on his **Kir-shalom** website. <http://www.rockies.net/~spirit/sermon.html>

OPENING PRAYER

L: We praise you, O God, for being not only the God of history but the God of our story. You have gathered us here today to remind us that although you are the one to whom all power belongs, yet you care for the weak and powerless. You care for us. We praise you for joining your story to ours in such a special way through Jesus, our Lord. He proved his great love for you and for each person in the way he lived—releasing what was captive, lifting up the burdened, empowering the powerless.

P: God, source of lovingkindness and strength, we worship you.

Jesus, foundation of our faith, we worship you.

Holy Spirit, ground of our very being, we worship you. Amen

~ written by Moira Laidlaw, and posted on **Liturgies Online**. <http://www.liturgiesonline.com.au/>

ANTHEM

A Jubilant Song (CCLI)

Allen Pote

SONG AS CHILDREN GATHER

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*HYMN Lord of All Hopefulness (CCLI) TFWS 2197

TIME OF PRAYER

SILENT AND PASTORAL PRAYER (This litany doesn't need to be in slides it's just for me to have it here)

Merciful God of compassion and justice,
have mercy on us as we confess our sin.

We are not the stewards Christ calls us to be.

Riches possess us while others go hungry.

We mismanage creation with our pollution and strife
to obtain ever more than we already have.

We abuse your provision for us by our selfish desires.

Help us hear again Christ's call to be faithful,
and through him forgive us as we repent of our sin and turn from it...

Lord, hear our prayer...

Loving God,

the widow of Zarephath, with a handful of flour and a drop of oil
fed the prophet Elijah before her child and herself.

God, teach us the joy of hospitality

which welcomes friend and stranger, neighbour and enemy,
and so finds You feasting among us....

Lord, hear our prayer.....

God of Abundance,

the widow of Jerusalem, with two small coins
offered to you her love, her worship and all she had.

Teach us the joy of giving freely,

which counts nothing as ours by right,

but willingly shares and so finds you sharing with us...
Lord, hear our prayer...

God of Resurrection,
Christ Jesus, with his whole being
sacrificed himself for the sake of your love for us.
Teach us the joy of giving ourselves to you,
so that we yearn for your presence,
long for your salvation,
and so find you living in us.....
Lord, hear our prayer....

God of Mercy,
it is ever your will that we love and work and pray
for those who are in need of bread and of shelter,
of healing and of wholeness.
Hear the prayers we make for those of our world—
those of our community, and those of our family who are in need.
We lift before you now in the silence of our hearts
and with the words of our lips....
.....Lord, hear our prayer...

Bless we pray, O God, your church throughout the world
and help it to fulfil the purpose you have given it.
Especially we pray for our own congregation....
Guide us each day
and help us to give as completely as we have received.
We ask it in the name of Christ Jesus, our Lord and our Saviour,
our brother and our friend. **Amen**

~ written by John Maynard, and posted on Rev. Richard J.
Fairchild's **Kir-shalom** website. <http://www.rockies.net/>

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.

PRAYER HYMN Love the Lord Your God (OneLic) TFWWS 2168
(sung twice)

LESSON I Psalm 146 CEB

Praise the Lord!

Let my whole being praise the Lord!

² I will praise the Lord with all my life;

I will sing praises to my God as long as I live.

³ Don't trust leaders;

don't trust any human beings—

there's no saving help with them!

⁴ Their breath leaves them,

then they go back to the ground.

On that very same day, their plans die too.

⁵ The person whose help is the God of Jacob—

the person whose hope rests on the Lord their God—

is truly happy!

⁶ God: the maker of heaven and earth,

the sea, and all that is in them,

God: who is faithful forever,

⁷ who gives justice to people who are oppressed,

who gives bread to people who are starving!

The Lord: who frees prisoners.

⁸ The Lord: who makes the blind see.

The Lord: who straightens up those who are bent low.

The Lord: who loves the righteous.

⁹ The Lord: who protects immigrants,
who helps orphans and widows,
but who makes the way of the wicked twist and turn!

¹⁰ The Lord will rule forever!

Zion, your God will rule from one generation to the next!
Praise the Lord!

May God add a Blessing to this reading.

*LESSON 2 Mark 12:38-44 CEB

³⁸ As he was teaching, he said, “Watch out for the legal experts. They like to walk around in long robes. They want to be greeted with honor in the markets. ³⁹ They long for places of honor in the synagogues and at banquets. ⁴⁰ They are the ones who cheat widows out of their homes, and to show off they say long prayers. They will be judged most harshly.”

⁴¹ Jesus sat across from the collection box for the temple treasury and observed how the crowd gave their money. Many rich people were throwing in lots of money. ⁴² One poor widow came forward and put in two small copper coins worth a penny. ⁴³ Jesus called his disciples to him and said, “I assure you that this poor widow has put in more than everyone who’s been putting money in the treasury. ⁴⁴ All of them are giving out of their spare change. But she from her hopeless poverty has given everything she had, even what she needed to live on.”

This is the Word of God for all people.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE Through Many Dangers

*HYMN Here Am I TFWS 2178

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God 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. Amen.

*BENEDICTION

Of All the Spirit's Gifts to Me – vs 5 (CCLI) UMH 336

POSTLUDE