

IN OUR PRAYERS

Imogene Giles, Ruth Payne, Kathy Darnell ,Robbie McClure (Marie Dunnam's brother) and Elizabeth Christensen (Kathy Skillen's niece) , Ronald Murray, Sr (friend of Kathy Skillen)



Lord, we thank You that You are our God and Father, and You alone are worthy of all our honor and praise because You have picked us up out of the miry clay and set our feet upon the Rock of our Salvation, Jesus Christ our Lord. Thank You that You have the words of eternal life and thank You for Your precious promise.. that nothing in heaven or on earth is able to separate us from Your love in Christ

Jesus our Lord. You alone are worthy of our allegiance and love and we praise You, that we may rest securely in Your arms, knowing that You have the word of eternal life.

Lord as we navigate through this world of sin, thank You that You have promised to be with us, no matter what difficulties and dangers may cross our paths. Help us persevere in the midst of all our trials. Thank You that there is no situation in life that is outside of Your jurisdiction and that You have every circumstance covered by Your sufficient grace. Lord as we steer our path through this sin-sick world may we keep our confidence in You and place every need into Your hands, knowing that greater is He that is in us than he that is in the world - we ask this in the name of Jesus, Amen.

MEMORIALS

We have received memorials for **Mary Frances Mabry** from the following: Jimmy and Sandra Powell, Doug and Shepherd Chuites, Marie Dunnam.

UPCOMING SERVICE

Next Sunday, May 24, the sermon title will be "The Miracle of Encouragement" with Scripture lessons from Matthew 28:16-20. We will also celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion. You are encouraged to have juice or wine and a grain to participate at home.

SESSION

Your Session will be meeting virtually today at 12:30 for our regular stated meeting and to begin discussions on how and when to safely gather for worship.



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Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 17, 2020

11:00 A.M

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: "Sweet Hour of Prayer"Walford

Choral Call to Worship

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn 481: "Praise the Lord, God's Glories Show"Williams

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Lord, You know how easy it is for us to sit here, tethered to our darkness and fear. We get bound up by chains of mistrust. We dare not to hope, for so many times before we have been disappointed. So we sit here and wonder where you are. We are not unlike the disciples who wondered also, who feared. Lord, come to us in our darkness. Flood us with your powerful light of love and mercy. Help open our eyes to the good news of your eternal glory. Give to us visions of the place in which love and hope will reign. Forgive our stubborn resistance to your mercy and your love. For we ask this in Jesus' Name.

(A moment of silent reflection)

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

THE WORD

Anthem: "Keep Me Safe Till the Storm Passes By"

*In the dark of the midnight have I oft hid my face
While the storm howls above me, and there's no hiding place 'Mid the crash of the
thunder, Precious Lord, hear my cry
Keep me safe till the storm passes by*

Refrain: *Till the storm passes over, till the thunder sounds no more*

Till the clouds roll forever from the sky

Hold me fast, let me stand in the hollow of Thy hand

Keep me safe till the storm passes by

Many times Satan whispered, "There is no need to try

For there's no end of sorrow, there's no hope by and by"

But I know Thou art with me, and tomorrow I'll rise

Where the storms never darken the skies

Refrain

When the long night has ended and the storms come no more Let me stand in Thy

presence on the bright peaceful shore

In that land where the tempest, never comes, Lord, may I

Dwell with Thee when the storm passes by

Refrain

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Scripture: John 21:15-19

Sermon: "The Strength to Persevere" Rev. Audrey H. Reese

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Hymn 417: "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"Smart

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

The Apostle's Creed *(The Presbyterian Hymnal, p. 14)*

Gloria Patri *(The Presbyterian Hymnal, p. 579)*

Offertory: "Near to the Heart of God"McAfee

Doxology *(The Presbyterian Hymnal, No. 592)*

SENDING

Hymn 387: "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"Bradbury

Benediction