



# NORTH SHORE *Fellowship*

September 20, 2020  
8:15, 9:15, and 10:30 a.m.

## SONG OF PREPARATION

## Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art—  
thou my best thought by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
Thou my great Father, I thy true son;  
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee, one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise;  
thou mine inheritance, now and always.  
Thou and thou only, first in my heart;  
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won;  
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall;  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O God, from my youth you have taught me,

**All: and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds.**

Leader: So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not forsake me,

**All: until I proclaim your might to another generation,  
your power to all those to come.**

Leader: Your righteousness, O God, reaches the high heavens.

**All: You who have done great things, O God, who is like you?  
There is none holy like the Lord: for there is none besides you;  
there is no rock like our God.**

## PRAYER OF INVOCATION

### SONG OF PRAISE

### Rejoice in All Your Works

Every mouth that cries for food, every lung that yearns for breath,  
every eye that searches through the dark for light -  
all creation looks to you for its breath and for its food.  
From the goodness of your hand we're satisfied.

Oh, rejoice in all your works, King of Heaven, King of Earth!  
Every creature you have made declares your praise.  
We rejoice in all you've made, God of all-sustaining grace!  
With the mountain, sky, and sea, we sing your praise!

Every tree that thirsts for rain, every bird that seeks its nest,  
every heart that waits in hope to be made glad -  
all creation looks to you for its breath and for its food.  
From the goodness of your hand we're satisfied.

May the pond'rings of my heart, and the song upon my lips,  
with the chorus of creation join in praise:  
to the God who made all things, to the Spirit who sustains,  
to the Son who over all creation reigns!

## CONFESSION OF SIN

Leader: In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple.

Above him stood the seraphim. And one called to another and said:

**All: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!"**

Leader: And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said:

**All: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"**

*Silent confession of sin*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."

**All: He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

## SONG OF ASSURANCE

Nothing to Fear

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you.

And the depths of the rivers shall not overwhelm.

When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned.

I am the Lord; I am the Lord.

And there is nothing to fear, nothing to fear.

There is nothing to fear, nothing to fear. For I am with you always.

In the depths of your sorrow, I wept beside you.

When you walked through the shadow, I drew you near.

Yesterday, today, tomorrow, always the same. I am the Lord; I am the Lord.

What can separate you from my perfect love?

Do not fear, do not fear, do not fear.

## PRAYER

### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Samuel 2:11-36

11 Then Elkanah went home to Ramah. And the boy [Samuel] was ministering to Yahweh in the presence of Eli the priest.

12 Now the sons of Eli were worthless men. They did not know Yahweh. 13 The custom of the priests with the people was that when any man offered sacrifice, the priest's servant would come, while the meat was boiling, with a three-pronged fork in his hand, 14 and he would thrust it into the pan or kettle or cauldron or pot. All that the fork brought up the priest would take for himself. This is what they did at Shiloh to all the Israelites who came there. 15 Moreover, before the fat was burned, the priest's servant would come and say to the man who was sacrificing, "Give meat for the priest to roast, for he will not accept boiled meat from you but only raw."

16 And if the man said to him, "Let them burn the fat first, and then take as much as you wish," he would say, "No, you must give it now, and if not, I will take it by force."

17 Thus the sin of the young men was very great in the sight of Yahweh, for the men treated the offering of Yahweh with contempt.

18 Samuel was ministering before Yahweh, a boy clothed with a linen ephod.

19 And his mother used to make for him a little robe and take it to him each year when she went up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice. 20 Then Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife, and say, "May Yahweh give you children by this woman for the petition she asked of the Lord." So then they would return to their home. 21 Indeed Yahweh visited Hannah, and she conceived and bore three sons and two daughters. And the boy Samuel grew in the presence of Yahweh.

22 Now Eli was very old, and he kept hearing all that his sons were doing to all Israel, and how they lay with the women who were serving at the entrance to the tent of meeting. 23 And he said to them, "Why do you do such things? For I hear of your evil dealings from all these people. 24 No, my sons; it is no good report that I hear the people of Yahweh spreading abroad. 25 If someone sins against a man, God will mediate for him, but if someone sins against Yahweh, who can intercede for him?" But they would not listen to the voice of their father, for it was the will of Yahweh to put them to death.

26 Now the boy Samuel continued to grow both in stature and in favor with Yahweh and also with man.

27 And there came a man of God to Eli and said to him, "Thus says Yahweh, 'Did I indeed reveal myself to the house of your father when they were in Egypt subject to the house of Pharaoh?' 28 Did I choose him out of all the tribes of Israel to be my priest, to go up to my altar, to burn incense, to wear an ephod before me? I gave to the house of your father all my offerings by fire from the people of Israel. 29 Why then do you scorn my sacrifices and my offerings that I commanded for my dwelling, and honor your sons above me by fattening yourselves on the choicest parts of every offering of my people Israel?'

30 Therefore Yahweh, the God of Israel, declares: 'I promised that your house and the house of your father should go in and out before me forever,' but now Yahweh declares: 'Far be it from me, for those who honor me I will honor, and those who despise me shall be lightly esteemed. 31 Behold, the days are coming when I will cut off your strength and the strength of your father's house, so that there will not be an old man in your house. 32 Then in distress you will look with envious eye on all the prosperity that shall be bestowed on Israel, and there shall not be an old man in your house forever. 33 The only one of you whom I shall not cut off from my altar shall be spared to weep his eyes out to grieve his heart, and all the descendants of your house shall die by the sword of men.

34 And this that shall come upon your two sons, Hophni and Phinehas, shall be the sign to you: both of them shall die on the same day. 35 And I will raise up for myself a faithful priest, who shall do according to what is in my heart and in my mind. And I will build him a sure house, and he shall go in and out before my anointed forever. 36 And everyone who is left in your house shall come to implore him for a piece of silver or a loaf of bread and shall say, "Please put me in one of the priests' places, that I may eat a morsel of bread.'"

<sup>1</sup> Do not rebuke an older man but encourage him as you would a father, younger men as brothers, <sup>2</sup> older women as mothers, younger women as sisters, in all purity.

<sup>17</sup> Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching. <sup>18</sup> For the Scripture says, "You shall not muzzle an ox when it treads out the grain," and, "The laborer deserves his wages." <sup>19</sup> Do not admit a charge against an elder except on the evidence of two or three witnesses. <sup>20</sup> As for those who persist in sin, rebuke them in the presence of all, so that the rest may stand in fear. <sup>21</sup> In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus and of the elect angels I charge you to keep these rules without prejudging, doing nothing from partiality.

<sup>24</sup> The sins of some are obvious, reaching the place of judgment ahead of them; the sins of others trail behind them. <sup>25</sup> In the same way, good deeds are obvious, and even those that are not obvious cannot remain hidden forever.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

## SONG OF RESPONSE

## Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea,  
a great High Priest whose name is "Love," who ever lives and pleads for me.  
My name is graven on his hands, my name is written on his heart;  
I know that while in heav'n he stands no tongue can bid me thence depart;  
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within,  
upward I look and see him there who made an end to all my sin.  
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free;  
for God, the Just, is satisfied to look on him and pardon me;  
to look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there, the Risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless Righteousness,  
the great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace!  
One with himself, I cannot die; my soul is purchased by his blood;  
my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God;  
with Christ, my Savior and my God.

## BENEDICTION

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## Membership Class

October 3, 10, 17  
10:00-11:30 a.m.  
In the Parking Lot

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## KIDS SING-ALONG

WEDNESDAY SEPT. 23, 4:15-5:00 PM

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Join us for songs and scripture in the parking lot this Wednesday, Sept. 23! You are welcome to bring a blanket or chairs for your family. If it rains, we will postpone to September 30.

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