

Durham Mennonite Church

July 14, 2024



Welcome to Durham Mennonite Church

Worship will begin soon....

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

Dear God, with Your power, nothing is impossible. With our spirits raised and hearts trusting, we are grateful for your promise that when two or more are gathered, you are there among them.

We thank you for the opportunity to gather in your holy presence once more. Oh Lord, we ask that you would bless our worship service today.

We pray that you would help us have a yearning heart and an open ear so that we may thirst for your word and manifest your glory today.

May you strengthen, and bless this fellowship and help us to use all the blessings you give us to glorify your precious name. May you fill us with wisdom to understand your will, and after this worship service, may you help make us instruments for your greater purpose.

These we ask in the holy name of your Son, Jesus Christ, Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP (PSALM 24:7-10)

7 Lift up your heads, O gates!

and be lifted up, O ancient doors!

that the King of glory may come in.

8 Who is the King of glory?

The Lord, strong and mighty,

the Lord, mighty in battle.

9 Lift up your heads, O gates!

and be lifted up, O ancient doors!

that the King of glory may come in.

10 Who is this King of glory?

The Lord of hosts,

he is the King of glory. Selah

HYMN - VT#5

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

**1 All people that on earth do dwell,
sing out your faith with cheerful voice;
delight in God whose praise you tell,
whose presence calls you to rejoice.**

**2 Know that there is one God indeed,
who fashions us without our aid,
who claims us, gives us all we need,**

whose tender care will never fade.

**3 Enter the sacred gates with praise,
with joy approach the temple walls.**

**Extol and bless our God always
as people whom the Spirit calls.**

**4 Proclaim again that God is good,
whose mercy is forever sure,
whose truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure.**

HYMN - VT #98

Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise

**1 Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious,
the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we
praise.**

**2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in
might;**

**thy justice like mountains high soaring
above, thy clouds, which are fountains of
goodness and love.**

**3 To all life thou givest, to both great and
small;**

**in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the
tree,
and wither and perish but naught changeth
thee.**

**4 Great Father of glory, great God of all
light,**

**thine angels adore thee, all veiling their
sight;
all praise we would render, O help us to
see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.**

HYMN - VT#130 Beautiful Savior

**1 Beautiful Savior, ruler of all nature,
O thou of God and Mary's son!
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,
thou, my soul's glory, joy and crown.**

**2 Fair are the meadows,
Fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in blooming garb of spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer;
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.**

**3 Fair is the sunshine, Fairer still the
moonlight,
And all the twinkling starry host;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels heav'n can boast.**

SCRIPTURE - EPHESIANS 1:3-14

Spiritual Blessings in Christ

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace ⁸that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹he has

made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance towards

**redemption as God's own people, to the
praise of his glory.**

**LITANY - TO THE PRAISE OF GOD'S GLORY
(JPL)**

(from Ephesians 1:12)

Why are we called to set our hope beyond what
incurs loss, adversity and grieving, or even
beyond achievement and success?

**So that we might live to the praise of God's
glory.**

And why are we called to extend grace and blessing in the face of anger, indifference or scorn?

So that we might live to the praise of God's glory.

And why are we asked to seek understanding and reconciliation even midst harsh circumstances?

So that we might live to the praise of God's glory.

And of what profit is the practice of justice in our daily lives?

So that we might live to the praise of God's glory.

And why are our hands, our speech, and our feet directed toward acts of healing and mercy?

So that we might live to the praise of God's glory.

And why are we exhorted to flee bitterness, hardness of heart and judgement of others?

So that we might live to the praise of God's glory.

And why do we travel humbly as pilgrims seeking a city whose streets are lit with peace and whose dwellings are shared goodness?

So that we might live to the praise of God's glory.

And why, in all things, do we live in earnest imitation of the One who loved and called us?

(emphatically)

So that we might live, you and I, to the praise of God's surpassing glory!

HYMN - JESUS WON'T YOU COME BY HERE

1. Jesus, won't you come by here? (3x)

Now is a needy hour. (3x)

2. Down on my knees in prayer (3x)

Now is a needy hour. (3x)

3. Lord, how I love to sing (3x)

Now is a needy hour. (3x)

SCRIPTURE - MARK 5:21-24a; 35-43

A Girl Restored to Life

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered round him; and he was by the lake. ²²Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet ²³and begged him repeatedly, ‘My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.’ ²⁴So he went with him.

³⁵While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?' ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, 'Do not fear, only believe.' ³⁷He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James.

³⁸When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹When he had entered, he said to them, 'Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.'

⁴⁰And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were

with him, and went in where the child was.

⁴¹He took her by the hand and said to her, 'Talitha cum', which means, 'Little girl, get up!' ⁴²And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. ⁴³He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

STORY AND SONGS - JONATHAN AND KEVIN

HYMN - HE CAME DOWN (VT # 239)

1 He came down that we may have love;
He came down that we may have love;
He came down that we may have love,
Hallelujah forevermore. (Why did he
come?)

2 He came down that we may have peace;
He came down that we may have peace;
He came down that we may have peace,
Hallelujah forevermore. (Why did he
come?)

3 He came down that we may have joy;
He came down that we may have joy;
He came down that we may have joy,
Hallelujah forevermore.

**HYMN - Precious Lord, Take My Hand.
(VT#610)**

1 Precious Lord, take my hand,
Lead me on, let me stand
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn
Through the storm, through the night
Lead me on to the light
Take my hand, precious Lord,
lead me home.

2 When my way grows drear,
precious Lord, linger near
When my light is almost gone
Hear my cry, hear my call
Hold my hand lest I fall
Take my hand, precious Lord,
lead me home

3 When the darkness appears
and the night draws near
And the day is past and gone
At the river I stand
Guide my feet, hold my hand
Take my hand precious Lord,
lead me home

HYMN - HIS EYE IS ON THE SPARROW

1. Why should I feel discouraged?

Why should the shadows come?

Why should my heart be lonely,
and long for heaven and home?

When Jesus is my portion,
my constant friend is he.

His eye is on the sparrow,
and I know he watches me. (2x)

2. Let not your heart be troubled.
His tender word I hear.
And resting in his goodness,
I lose my hopes and fears.
Though by the path he headeth,
but one step I may see
His eye is on the sparrow,
and I know he watches me. (2x)

3. Whenever I am tempted,
whenever clouds arise,
When songs give place to sighing,
when hope within me dies,
I draw the closer to him,
from care he sets me free.
His eye is on the sparrow,
and I know he watches me. (2x)

**I sing because I'm happy,
I sing because I'm free.
For his eye is on the sparrow,
and I know he watches me.**

HYMN - Lead Me, Guide Me. (VT 601)

Lead me, guide me along the way;
For if You lead me, I cannot stray;
Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

I am weak, and I need Thy strength and power
To help me over my weakest hour;
Help me through the darkness Thy face to see,
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Lead me, guide me along the way;

For if You lead me, I cannot stray;
Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Help me tread in the paths of righteousness;
Be my aid when Satan and sin oppress.
I am putting all my trust in Thee,
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Lead me, guide me along the way;
For if You lead me, I cannot stray;
Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

I am lost, if you take your hand from me;
I am blind, without Thy Light to see;
Lord, just always let me Thy servant be,
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Lead me, guide me along the way;
For if You lead me, I cannot stray;
Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

ANOINTING AND PRAYER FOR JONATHAN

ROBIE

HYMN - PASS ME NOT O GENTLE SAVIOR

Pass me not O gentle Savior,
hear my humble cry.

While on others thou art calling,
do not pass me by.

Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry.
While on others thou art calling,
Do not pass me by.

Thou the Spring of all my comfort,
more than life to me.
Whom have I on earth beside thee?
Whom in heaven but thee?

Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry.
While on others thou art calling,
Do not pass me by.

SONG - O, IT IS JESUS

O, It Is Jesus, yes, it is Jesus.

It is Jesus, in my soul.

For I have touched the hem of his garment,

And his love has made me whole.

SENDING

May the Son of God,
who is already formed in you, grow in you
so that for you he will be immeasurable,
and that in you he will become
laughter, exultation, and the fullness of joy
which no one can take from you. Amen.