

Midweek Worship Bulletin

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Call to Worship

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Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. Let us worship God together.

Song **When You Spoke** – *by Lesley Kennedy*

When you spoke light overwhelmed the darkness
When you spoke the heavens gained their hue
When you spoke creation echoed singing
Lord speak to me and I will follow you.

Lord you spoke through stone and fire and rainbow
Lord you spoke through angels dreams and dew
Lord you spoke through prophets kings and children
Lord speak to me and I will follow you

Chorus

Open my ears so I can truly listen
Open my mind so I may understand
Open my heart so I can truly love you
And live to follow You

When you spoke your words commanded healing
When you spoke the wind and waves withdrew
When you spoke the twelve left all to follow
Lord speak to me and I will follow you (*chorus*)

Lord you speak in power through your Spirit
Lord you speak by scripture's words of truth
Lord you speak through prayer and song and teaching
Lord speak to me and I will follow You

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Prayer of Adoration

Scriptures: Psalm 130

A Song of Ascents.

¹ Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

² Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my supplications!

³ If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?

⁴ But there is forgiveness with you,
so that you may be revered.

⁵ I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;

⁶ my soul waits for the Lord
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.

⁷ O Israel, hope in the Lord!
For with the Lord there is steadfast love,
and with him is great power to redeem.

⁸ It is he who will redeem Israel
from all its iniquities.

Matthew 8:1-13

⁸When Jesus had come down from the mountain, great crowds followed him; ²and there was a leper who came to him and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, if you choose, you can make me clean.' ³He stretched out his hand and touched him, saying, 'I do choose. Be made clean!' Immediately his leprosy was cleansed. ⁴Then Jesus said to him, 'See that you say nothing to anyone; but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, as a testimony to them.'

⁵When he entered Capernaum, a centurion came to him, appealing to him ⁶and saying, 'Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, in terrible distress.' ⁷And he said to him, 'I will come and cure him.' ⁸The centurion answered, 'Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; but only speak the word, and my servant will be healed. ⁹For I also am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, "Go", and he goes, and to another, "Come", and he comes, and to my slave, "Do this", and the slave does it.' ¹⁰When Jesus heard him, he was amazed and said to those who followed him, "Truly I tell you, in no one in Israel have I found such faith. ¹¹I tell you, many will come from east and west and will eat with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, ¹²while the heirs of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ¹³And to the centurion Jesus said, 'Go; let it be done for you according to your faith.' And the servant was healed in that hour.

Message: "The Power to Transform our Minds"
Prayer

Hymn Glory to God Hymnal #208 "O Blest Are They Who in Their Love" *Psalm 41*
(tune Gift of Love #693)

O blest are they who in their love
compassion hold for those in need;
for they shall find, when faced by foes,
the Lord is their defense indeed.

When all the evils earth can dream
are cast on me, my faith to break,
their rage I temper through God's grace,
and bear them boldly for God's sake.

The hands which shared my broken bread,
my love with their deceit repaid;
and friends whose trust
I counted mine have left me wounded and betrayed.

To me, O Lord, in mercy turn;
your favor, my most treasured prize;
my mouth shall sing redemption's song,
and tears of love wash clean my eyes.

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