

## ORDER OF SERVICE

*Mother's Day* - Sunday, May 10, 2020

Message by Pastor Randy

Sermon Series: **God Will Not Forget Us**

**"Mother Cannot Forget"** Philippians 1:3-11



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*We invite you to use this "order of service" today.*

*You might consider reading the texts and prayers aloud.*

*Words of songs might be sung, either acapella, or with the tracks that have been provided, by means of links. Simply click on the song titles.*

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### **Call To Worship: Psalm 31:1-5**

In you, Lord, I have taken refuge;

let me never be put to shame;

deliver me in your righteousness.

Turn your ear to me,

come quickly to my rescue;

be my rock of refuge,

a strong fortress to save me.

Since you are my rock and my fortress,

for the sake of your name lead and guide me.

Keep me free from the trap that is set for me,

for you are my refuge.

Into your hands I commit my spirit;

deliver me, Lord, my faithful God.

### **Prayer**

As we begin this time of worship, I invite you to pray with your hands "cupped" as though you are holding something, instead of folded as we tend to do.

God, for these days of separation, remind me again of Your compassion; that while illness is rampant, Your tenderness is to hold me in the palm of Your hand.

With Your love from Jesus, I know I will be cared for, in times of loneliness; in times of frustration; in times of renewed joy.

While I cannot share in the life of the community of faith, as I have done in the past, grant to me insight for caring for others, as You have cared for me.

Bless this time of worship, as I join with others, from our homes, our places of responsibility, our desire to be in community. Amen.

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During this time, when we cannot gather for worship or other activities as a faith community, thank you for remembering to share tithes and offerings for the ministry of the church.,

These days we are learning to share in different ways, and the on-going financial needs of the church continue, as seek to support one another. Thank you.

**Song: You Never Let Go**

Even though I walk through the valley  
of the shadow of death  
Your perfect love is casting out fear  
And even when I'm caught in the middle  
of the storms of this life  
I won't turn back  
I know You are near

*And I will fear no evil  
For my God is with me  
And if my God is with me  
Whom then shall I fear?  
Whom then shall I fear?*

*Oh no, You never let go  
Through the calm and through the storm  
Oh no, You never let go  
In every high and every low  
Oh no, You never let go  
Lord, You never let go of me*

And I can see a light that is coming  
for the heart that holds on  
A glorious light beyond all compare  
And there will be an end to these troubles  
But until that day comes  
We'll live to know You here on the earth

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**Song: Lead Me, Guide Me**

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

LEAD ME, GUIDE ME – John Henry Newman Bliss  
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## Prayer

The Prophet Isaiah, speaks the word of the LORD:

*“Can a mother forget the baby at her breast and have no compassion on the child she has borne? Though she may forget, I will not forget you!”*

God, as the source of love, today I give You thanks for the people – mother and father – who in partnership with You, gave me life.

While Your Spirit was moving, weaving together my body and soul in the womb, my mother and father were working diligently to prepare a place for me in this world.

Thank You, for the Saviour, Jesus Christ, who prepares a place for me for eternal life after this life.

Now, for these days, I give You thanks for the nurture of faith, shared by my mother, who taught me to pray and to rely upon Jesus, for the living of these days.

God, as You do not forget me, I pray for mothers of young children, who at times feel a sense of loneliness in the most challenging of times of being a parent.

Bless all mothers and fathers with continued strength, courage, wisdom, creativity, compassion and peace ... in the midst of the greatest task You invite them to be partners.

May the work and love of a mother’s hand not be forgotten.

I pray in the name of Jesus, who remembers me; Amen.

## Song: [Be Still My Soul](#)

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side;  
bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;  
leave to your God to order and provide;  
in ev'ry change he faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul: your best, your heav'nly Friend  
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: your God will undertake  
to guide the future as he has the past.  
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;  
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know  
his voice who ruled them while he dwelt below.

Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart,  
and all is darkened in the vale of tears,  
then shall you better know his love, his heart,  
who comes to soothe your sorrow and your fears.  
Be still, my soul: your Jesus can repay  
from his own fullness all he takes away.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hast'ning on  
when we shall be forever with the Lord,  
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,  
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.  
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,  
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

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**Bible Reading: Philippians 1:3-11**

**I thank My God Every Time I Remember You.**

In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray  
with joy because of your partnership in the gospel  
from the first day until now,  
being confident of this,  
that he who began a good work in you will carry it on  
to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

It is right for me to feel this way about all of you,  
since I have you in my heart and,  
whether I am in chains or defending  
and confirming the gospel,  
all of you share in God's grace with me.

God can testify how I long for all of you  
with the affection of Christ Jesus.

And this is my prayer: that your love may abound  
more and more in knowledge and depth of insight,  
so that you may be able to discern  
what is best and may be pure and blameless  
for the day of Christ,  
filled with the fruit of righteousness  
that comes through Jesus Christ—  
to the glory and praise of God.

**Message by Pastor Randy**

*"Mother Cannot Forget"*

**Song: When Peace Like a River**

When peace like a river  
Attendeth my way  
When sorrows like sea billows roll  
Whatever my lot  
Thou hast taught me to say  
It is well  
It is well with my soul

*It is well with my soul  
It is well  
It is well with my soul*

Tho' Satan should buffet  
Tho' trials should come  
Let this blest assurance control  
That Christ hath regarded  
My helpless estate  
And hath shed His own blood  
For my soul

My sin O the bliss  
Of this glorious tho't  
My sin not in part but the whole  
Is nailed to the cross  
And I bear it no more  
Praise the Lord  
Praise the Lord O my soul

And Lord haste the day  
When the faith shall be sight  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll  
The trump shall resound  
And the Lord shall descend  
Even so it is well  
With my soul

*Note:* This hymn was written by Horatio Spafford, following traumatic losses; death of his only son (Scarlet Fever); financial ruin when his place of business burned; then the deaths of his 4 daughters (when a ship sank). Note the imagery Spafford uses to express his faith; may it be an encouragement for you, for these days.

### **Invitation for Personal Prayers:**

We invite you to offer up your own prayers in this time.

Whether silently or spoken out loud, praying for yourselves, our community, country and world in this time.

### **Benediction**

As you go from this time of worship,  
    give thanks for those who shared with you  
        a love for God's Word.  
"... as you received Christ Jesus as Lord,  
    continue to live your life in him,  
        rooted and built up in him,  
strengthened in the faith as you were taught,  
    and overflowing with thankfulness." Amen