



Worship at Berkeley Friends Church
January 17, 2021 11:00 AM – 12:15 PM



Presider - Faith Kelley

Meditation

Prayer

Hymn - Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Love divine, All loves excelling,
Joy of heaven To earth come down,
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
All Thy faithful Mercies crown!

Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit
Into every troubled breast!
Let us all in Thee inherit,
Let us find that promised rest;

Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith as its beginning,
Set our hearts at liberty.

Finish, then, Thy new creation;
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in Thee;

Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Praises & Petitions



Scripture - 1 Samuel 3:1-10, John 1:42-51

Open Worship

Christ is ministering to us in the silence. Nothing needs to be said, unless there is a clear leading to speak. After a period of centering down, if you feel a leading to speak, please be obedient to it: Speak clearly, loudly, and succinctly. Allow time for a message to settle before another message is offered.

Hymn - Here I Am, Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.

I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

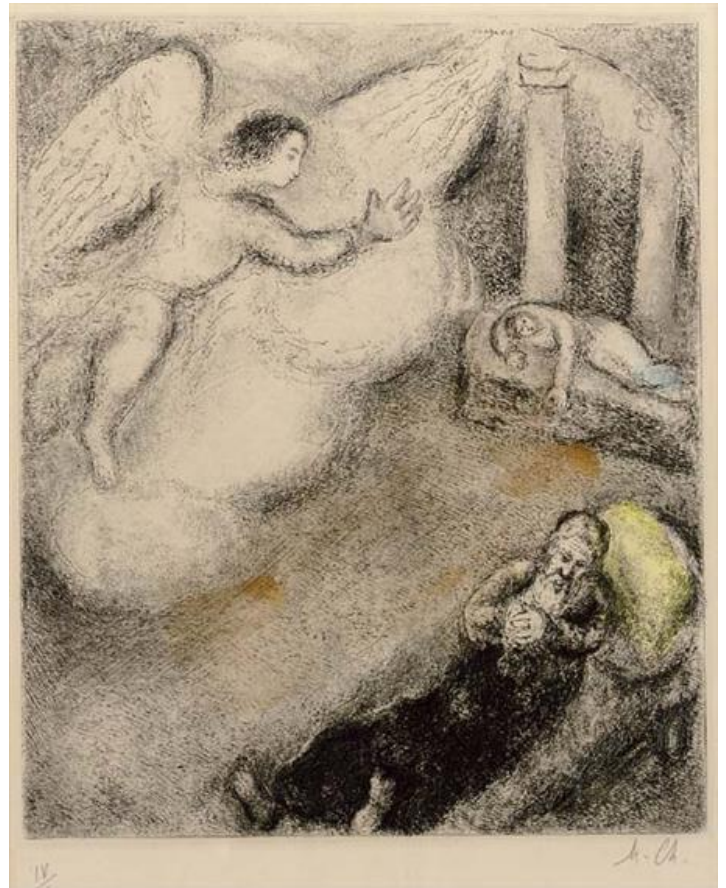
(Refrain) Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, where you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my words to them.
Whom shall I send?

(Refrain)

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.



Finest bread I will provide,
Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?

(Refrain)

Welcome – Announcements- Offering

God is the Great Giver and has given much to us. The contributions you make are vital to the life of the meeting. Please consider offerings through mail or the Donate Now button on the church's website.

Welcome

We are a welcoming and inclusive congregation. We trust that your heart may be warmed by the Lord's Presence as we worship together. If you have prayer needs or spiritual concerns, please call or email the pastors, Micah Bales and Faith Kelley, or any member of Ministry and Council.

Church Announcements

Today, we will be having our **Monthly Meeting for Business at 1:15 PM.**

Bible Study starts 7:30 PM on Tuesdays via Zoom. We are discussing David Johnson's book, "Jesus, Christ and Servant of God: Meditations on the Gospel According to John." You do not need to have read or have a copy of the book available as we read a discussion and then discuss.

Join the Poor People's Campaign for two events this weekend. Sunday, Jan. 17 @ 8pm ET / 5pm PT "Prayer for Beloved Community in the Midst of COVID and Chaos"- Join the Poor People's Campaign for a 30-minute prayer service as a part of A National Call to Love, Light and Leadership, and **Monday, Jan. 18 @ 1pm ET / 10am PT MLK Moral Monday- A National Interfaith Service of Love, Light and Leadership.** Both events can be accessed on [their website](#).

Sunday January 29 at 11:00 AM- Worship with Whittier First Friends, our sister congregation in the Western Association of Friends. Bobby Trice, Quaker Engagement Associate at Friends Committee on National Legislation, will be preaching. At 1:00 PM there will also be a workshop about lobby Congress, the work FCNL is doing and how we can be a part of it.

Roots of Injustice, Seeds of Change: Toward Right Relationship with Native Peoples by Friends Peace Teams via Zoom on **Sunday, Feb 7, 5-7 pm EASTERN time.** [Register here](#). In this 2-hour participatory workshop, we hear the story of the colonization of this land in the words of Indigenous leaders, Euro-American leaders, and Western historians. We take part in the story through experiential exercises, and

share our responses and reflections in small groups. Together, we explore steps that we can take to build relationships with Native peoples based on truth, respect, and justice.

Section of the Americas Section Meetings - March 12-21, 2021 - The Section Meeting is the biggest conference organized by the Friends World Committee for Consultation, Section of the Americas. It is held every two years. All Friends are welcome to attend! Normally we meet in person, but this year that is not possible, so we will recreate as much of the experience as we can online. The schedule includes opportunities for worship, workshops, business sessions, and small group activities. It is a great opportunity to get to know and connect with more Friends from North, Central, and South America and the Caribbean and to learn more about the Friends World Committee! [Click here for more information.](#)

People's Climate Empowerment Series Quaker United Nations Office (QUNO) is offering a helpful resource for anyone looking to become more engaged with climate action. The series connects people with international efforts that can strengthen climate action at all levels. [Click here for more information](#)

Keep up with BFC throughout the week. Join the announcement listserv by emailing Faith at pastor@berkeleyfriendschurch.org and follow us on Facebook.

Praises and Petitions of Berkeley Friends Church

January 17, 2021

- We **thank you that you have loved us even before we were born.** That you planned our lives and guide us. You know our hearts and love us completely and unconditionally.
- We pray for **loved ones** in our circles of care: All those diagnosed with, suffering from, or recovering from serious illnesses including **Liz's classmate Allie, Joe Williams, Dianna's friend Sebastian, Robbie Williams, Marilyn's friend Bruce, Faith's cousin Vicki, Veneita Porter and Stanley Chagala Ngesa.**
- We ask for God's presence with **Friends not able to be with us: Julie Rowlette, Charles Blue, Janice Wells, Joe Bell and Joe Williams.**
- We pray for **all those who are currently sick with COVID-19.** Give their doctors and nurses wisdom on treatments. Comfort the family who can't be with them. Provide the resources that are needed to care for them well and safely. We grieve all those who have died and ask for an end to this pandemic.
- We pray for **all of us who are burdened by anxiety.** Bring peace and groundedness to our spirits. Heal our troubled minds and spirits. May we use the tools we know help us to manage our anxiety.
- We pray for **families with children doing school at home.** Please give parents the patience and time to help their kids. Help students to be focused and learn. Bring us to a place as a community where schools can reopen in person quickly.
- We **thank you that many are beginning to be vaccinated against Covid-19** in this country and around the world. May the rollout go quickly and smoothly. May the distribution be equitable and wise within this nation and between nations. Help us to hold on and be disciplined with our social distancing as we wait the tide to turn.

- You have made all of creation and each cell of our bodies. You know our thoughts and you know our sins. We desperately try to hide our mistakes, our weaknesses, our embarrassments. But you know it all, and so we come before you now asking for your forgiveness. Even as you know the limits of our human capabilities, we know the unlimited power of your love. **Forgive us, cleanse us, make us whole.**



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