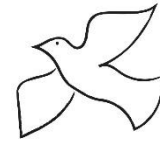




Worship at Berkeley Friends Church
January 24, 2021 11:00 AM – 12:15 PM



Presider - John Maurer

Meditation

Prayer

Hymn - Come And See

“Come and see, come and see,
I am the way and the truth”, said he.
“Follow me, follow me, come as a child,
O come and see.”

Kyrie, kyrie, kyri eleison.
Christe, Christe, Christe eleison.
Christe, Christe, adoramus te.
Alleluia, Kyrie eleison.

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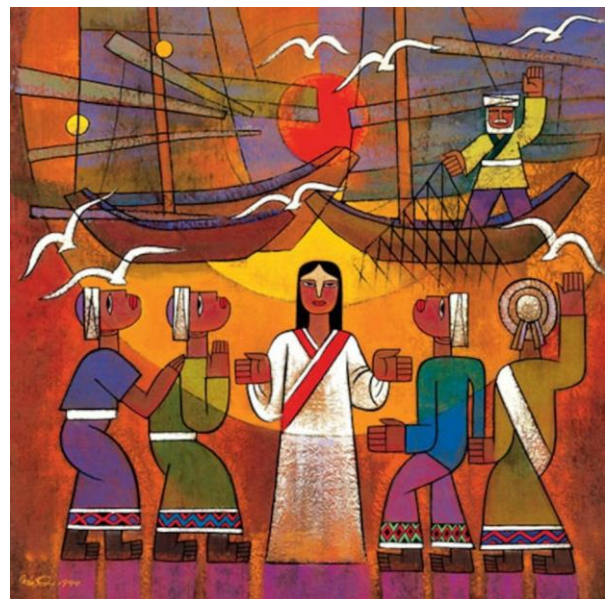
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Praises & Petitions

Scripture - Mark 1:14-20, 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Message - “The Time Is Fulfilled” - Micah Bales



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 - Lord, When You Came To The Seashore

Lord, when you came to the seashore
You weren't seeking the wise, or the wealthy,
But only asking that I might follow.

(Refrain)

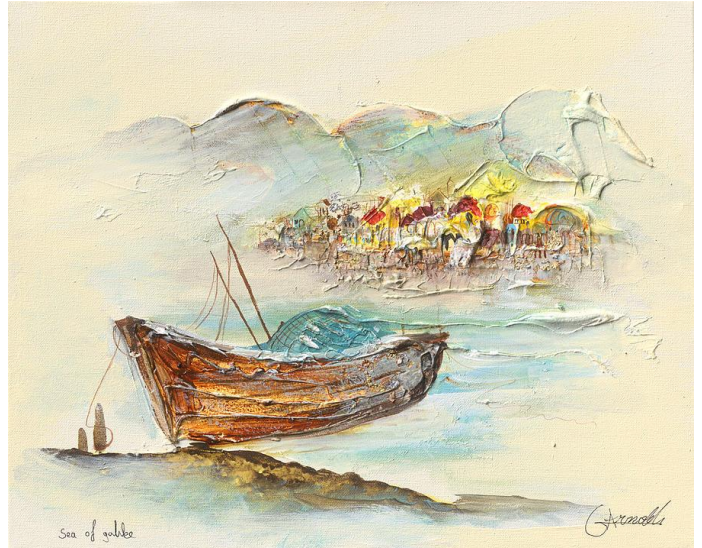
O Lord, in my eyes you were gazing,
Kindly smiling, my name you were saying;
All I treasured, I have left on the sand there;
Close to You, I will find other seas.

Lord, you knew what my boat carried;
Neither money nor weapons for fighting,
But nets for fishing, my daily labor.

(Refrain)

Lord, send me where you would have me,
To a village, or heart of the city;
I will remember that you are with me.

(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 (mark envelope - Attn: Asst. Treasurer) 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

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.

Sunday January 31 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.

Happy Hour Hangout- 8:00 PM on Friday February 5. A time to chat and catch up with other BFC folks. No plans, no agendas. Just connecting and community.

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.

Sunday February 14 at 11:00 AM- God Is Love Intergenerational Worship- Instead of our usual order of service we will be creating a space accessible to all ages, attention spans and places on our spiritual journeys. Join us in song, prayer, brief waiting worship and activities that explore God's love for us.

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.](#)

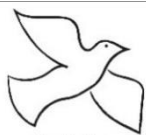
People's Climate Empowerment Series Quaker United Nations Office (QUNO) is offering a helpful resource for anyone looking to become more engaged with climate action. The series connects people with international efforts that can strengthen climate action at all levels. [Click here for more information](#)

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 24, 2021

- We **thank you that you are our light and our salvation.** Living in your presence, we have nothing to fear. As you called the first disciples, we are ready to follow Jesus on whatever path you lead us. We are grateful that we can cast aside our fears and doubts, and trust wholly in you.
- 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 ask for **wisdom and discernment.** Help us know how to move forward in difficult situations. Make clear the path of love and mercy.
- We pray for **our government leaders-** local, state and national. May they long to follow you in their decision making. Help us to become communities of justice and peace. Give them the power and energy to help us to address the many crises we are facing- including the Covid pandemic, racism, climate change, increasing inequality, broken trust in the public institutions.
- We pray for **all of us who live alone** during this time of sheltering in place. Give us opportunities for human connection and support. May we reach out to each other when we feel lonely or when another lonely person is laid on our hearts.
- We pray for the **Berkeley Food Pantry,** a ministry of this church. In a time of increased need, give the staff and volunteers strength and rest when they need it. Keep everyone who uses the pantry safe and may their needs be met.
- Holy Fountain of Forgiveness, we thank you for your never-ending love for all creation. **May we be able to acknowledge our sin and open our eyes to your healing presence.** Though you stand ready to forgive our sin, we often find it easier to bite our tongues, clench our fists, and cling to our hurts and resentments rather than let you open our hearts. We trust you, Holy One; we pour out our hearts to you. Receive the pain that lurks in our humanity, as we offer up what we have hidden from ourselves and from the world— those words and deeds that keep us separated from your love.



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