

Worship at Berkeley Friends Church February 28, 2021 11:00 AM – 12:15 PM



Presider - John Maurer

Meditation

Prayer

Hymn - Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art Thou my best Thought, by day or by night Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord Thou my great Father, I Thy true son Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one

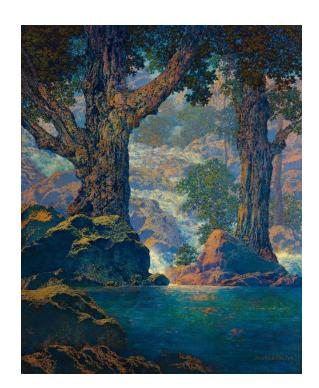
Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise Thou mine Inheritance, now and always Thou and Thou only, first in my heart High King of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art

High King of Heaven, my victory won May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heav'n's Sun Heart of my own heart, whate'er befall Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all

Praises & Petitions

Scripture - Mark 8:31-38

Message - "Take Up Your Cross" - 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 - O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go

O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee. I give thee back the life I owe, That in thine ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be.

O Light that followest all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to thee. My heart restores its borrowed ray, That in thy sunshine's gow its day May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee. I trace the rainbow thro' the rain, And feel the promise is not vain, That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to hide from thee.
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.



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.

The PECSC Committee will meet on Zoom at 1pm on Sunday, February 28, 2021. PECSC Committee Meeting:

When Sun Feb 28, 2021 1pm – 2:30pm Pacific Time - Los Angeles

Where https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/89770892170?pwd=SkF3VXVveGZuOGlpRVVFWDI6ZWNvZzo9 (map)

Who • bfctrustees@gmail.com - organizer

Berkeley Friends Church is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

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Intergenerational Worship on Sunday March 14 at 11:00. Join us for a special time designed for everyone to engage and worship together. We will have singing, activities and a shortened sermon and time of waiting worship.

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.

Maundy Thursday Service on April 1 at 8:00 PM. Between the highs of Palm Sunday and Easter, we will focus together on the dark, despairing parts of the story of Jesus. Together we will sing, hear the accounts of the night Jesus was betrayed and crucified and spend time in open worship.

If you would like an updated pdf version of the BFC 2021 Directory, please request by email at: office@berkeleyfriendschurch.org. Hard copies are available at the BFC office.

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 February 28, 2021

- We **thank you for your mercy** through which we are declared righteous through our faith in Jesus.
- 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,** and **Janice Wells.**
- We pray for all those who are sick with Covid. May they get the care they need. May their symptoms be mild and pass quickly. Protect all those whose work makes them risk infectiondoctors, nurses and other medical personnel, bus drivers, grocery store workers and daycare workers. Help us to come together as a community with each of us doing our part to slow and stop the infection of others.
- We grieve the loss of **Joe Bell**. We pray for his family as they mourn his death. We thank you that he was part of our community and a faithful follower of you. Comfort us in our sadness and welcome Joe into your loving arms.
- We pray for the Galang family as they deal with a small flood in their apartment from a broken water heater. We thank you that their management company is taking good care of them and helping them quickly right the situation. We ask that they will quickly be able to get back into their apartment.
- We ask that you be with us when we are in **conflict with our families.** It is hard when we are unable to find unity and peace with those who we most love. We pray that we might understand each other, protect each other and love each other even when it is hard. Give us wisdom to figure out healthy boundaries and the best ways to support each other.
- We are called to place our whole lives in your care; to follow you; to serve you by caring for others, not just once in a while, but always. We admit that we're not always ready to do this. The demand is great; the need is great; our energies are limited. Help us to place our trust and our lives in your care. You will give us the strength and courage that we will need for this step on the journey. Be with us. Help us to remember that your love is poured out for all your people; you are never far away.



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