



Intergenerational Worship at Berkeley Friends Church

April 11, 2021 11:00 AM – 12:15 PM



Presider - Jayne Nichols

Welcome

Song - Morning Has Broken

Morning has broken like the first morning
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird
Praise for the singing
Praise for the morning
Praise for them springing fresh from the Word

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven
Like the first dew fall on the first grass
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden
Sprung in completeness where His feet pass

Mine is the sunlight
Mine is the morning
Born of the One Light Eden saw play
Praise with elation, praise every morning
God's recreation of the new day



Prayer

Bible Reading - John 20:19-31

Song - Rise

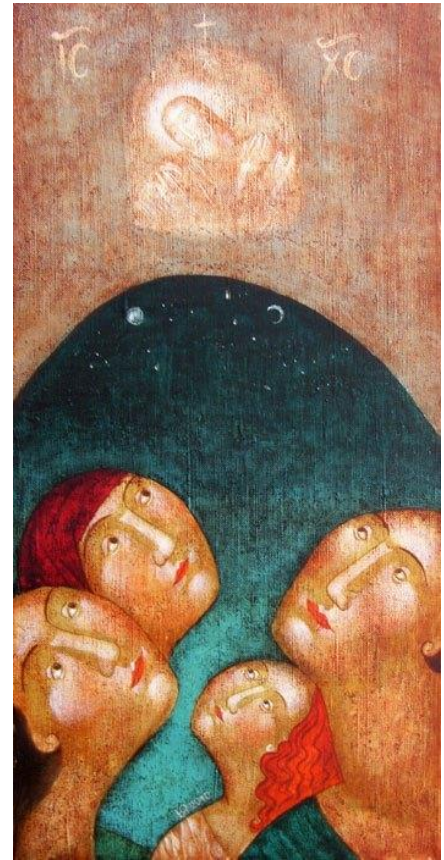
Ever feel like nothing's
gonna get any better?
Ever feel like nothing's right
and you can't change a thing?
But then one day,
the stone is rolled away,
and Jesus rises up to show us
there's another way.



We can rise up and live
like there's hope to be found,
rise up and give
like there's enough to go around,
rise up and be the change that we need.
We can rise up and be
a holy ____ alleluia,
holy ____ alleluia.

Ever feel like no one cares
about the ones that have no voice?
Ever feel like you go along
'cause you don't have much choice?
But then one day,
the stone is rolled away,
and Jesus rises up to show us
there's another way.

What if we opened our eyes a little wider?
What if we opened our hearts a little farther?
What if we believed love gets the final word?
I do believe. I do believe . . .



Recognizing you - Video

Reflection: Talk about a time in your life in which you recognized Jesus' presence.

Song - Lord Of The Dance

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
And I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth;
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

Refrain:

Dance then wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the Dance said he,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the Dance said he.

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
But they would not dance and they would not follow me;
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;
They came with me and the dance went on.



[Refrain]

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame;
The holy people said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high,
And left me there on the cross to die.

[Refrain]

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black;
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back.
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone;
But I am the dance and I still go on.

[Refrain]

They cut me down and I leap up high;
I am the life that will never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me.
I am the Lord of the Dance said he.

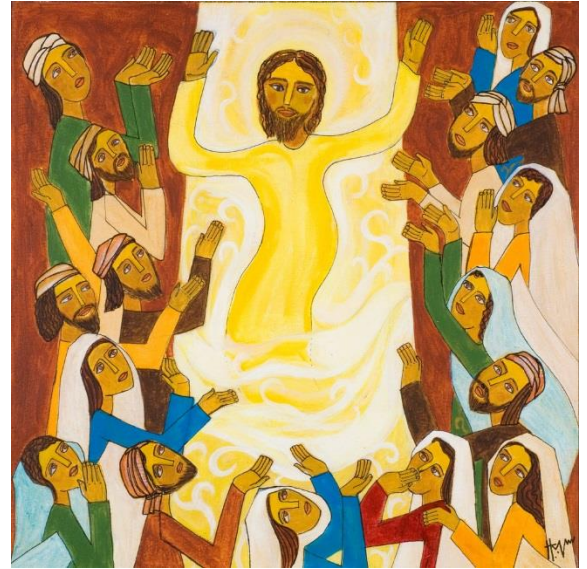
[Refrain]

Message - "Seeing is Believing" - Micah Bales

Song - In The Bulb There Is A Flower

In the bulb there is a flower,
In the seed, and apple tree;
In cocoons, a hidden promise:
Butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
There's a spring that waits to be,
Unrevealed until its season,
Something God alone can see.

There's a song in ev'ry silence,
Seeking word and melody.
There's a dawn in ev'ry darkness,
Bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
What it holds, a mystery,



Unrevealed until its season
Something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning;
In our time, infinity;
In our doubt there is believing;
In our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection;
At the last, a victory,
Unrevealed until its season
Something God alone can see.

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.

Praises & Petitions

Song - Jesus, Be The Center

Jesus, be the center.
Be my source, be my light, Jesus.

Jesus, be the center.
Be my hope, be my song, Jesus.

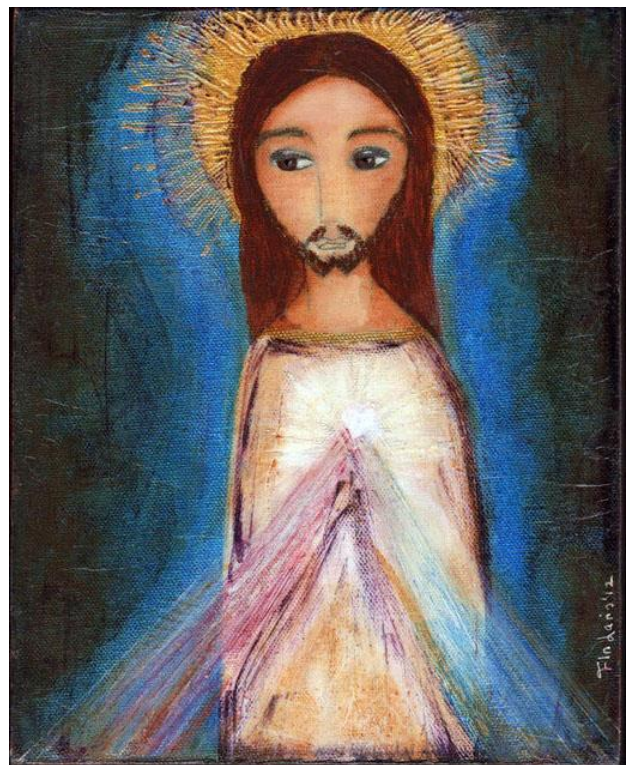
Refrain:
Be the fire in my heart.
Be the wind in these sails.
Be the reason that I live,
Jesus, Jesus.

Jesus, be my vision.
Be my path, be my guide, Jesus.

(Refrain)

Jesus, be the center.
Be my source, be my light, Jesus.
Be my source, be my light, Jesus. Jesus. Jesus.

Closing Words



Leaving Song - Because He Lives

God sent His son, they called Him Jesus
He came to love, heal and forgive
He lived and died to buy my pardon
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow
Because He lives, all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living just because He lives

(Repeat all)

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.

Today, April 11, 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.

Next Sunday, April 18, we will have our **Monthly Meeting for Business** following service at 1:15PM.

2021 Berkeley Crop Hunger Walk:

The 2021 Berkeley Crop Hunger Walk will be a seven day virtual walk. The kick-off will be on Sunday May 2nd and the walk will last until Saturday, May 8th. All funds raised will go to Church World Service (or partner organization if you wish), Berkeley Food Pantry, Youth Spirit Artworks, and Dorothy Day House of Berkeley. **Please join the virtual walk or donate to a walker by visiting [CROP Hunger Walk - Berkeley](#)**

[Quakers](#) . Please also follow us on Facebook: [CROP Hunger Walk - Berkeley CA](#) and Instagram: [Berkeley CROP Walk](#)

Follow the Life in Prayer and Spiritual Practice, April 3, 17, May 8th: The heart of Quaker life is inward prayer and awareness of the Life within and between us. An online mini-course explores spiritual awareness through varied prayer styles and tools with the Way of the Spirit, a Quaker program for prayer and learning. Quaker guest speakers share experiences. Small group, highly participatory program: <https://goodnewsassoc.org/spirit/>

Citizens Climate Lobby is, once again, hosting the Wild and Scenic Film Festival. This year's online program features films about frontline communities fighting for environmental justice and restoration and will be held on **Earth Day, April 22, at 7 PM**. One of the films being show is "In the Land of My Ancestors". In addition, attendees will receive a bonus session of on-demand access to "Wildlife at the Edge" featuring the full-length, award-winning film, "Entangled", as well as several other films about endangered wildlife, from pangolins to snow leopards. You can see information on all twenty of the films for the festival go to tinyurl.com/wsffca21. \$5/discount code: CCLALA. **All of the films will be available for streaming from April 23- April 27.**

Happy Hour Hangout on Friday April 30 at 8:00 PM. Come, chat and catch up with folks from BFC. No agenda. Just a time to talk and socialize on Zoom.

The Future of Worship: Hybrid, Online, & In Person- A conversation among Western Quaker Meetings on May 7th to 9th, 2021. Quaker Center & Western Friend are inviting representatives from western Quaker meetings and other Friends for an online gathering to explore 'ways that are opening' for Quakers to worship together as and after pandemic restrictions are lifted. [Registration here.](#)

Virtual Singalong Concert- You are invited to take part in a virtual singalong concert as a benefit for [Project Voice](#), an immigration justice program of the American Friends Service Committee. **Repairing the Breach: Songs for the Journey Saturday, May 15 - 7:00 pm** Pacific Time. Info & tickets at: riseupandsing.org/events/repairing-breach-northwest

Registration for **Friends United Meeting's annual Stoking the Fire Retreat: Hope and Light** is open. The retreat will be **May 21–23, 2021** and held on zoom. A [schedule and registration](#) can be found on the FUM website.

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

April 11, 2021

- **We thank you for the dawn that comes every morning, even after our darkest nights.** We give you thanks for life resurrecting from the death of winter. For birds singing their spring songs in the dark before the dawn; for the green spikes of spring poking up through the earth, for the smell of spring air fresh when we open the door, for the sun's rays on our face, warming us.

- 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, Jayne's relative Quincy and Stanley Chagala Ngesa.**
- We ask for God's presence with **Friends not able to be with us: 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 infection- doctors, nurses and other medical personnel, bus drivers, grocery store workers and daycare workers. Help everyone who wants to get vaccinated quickly. May those of us waiting our turn be patient. Help us all to continue to do our part to slow the spread of the virus.
- We pray for **racial justice and reconciliation** in our country. We are troubled by the rise in anti-AAPI violence among us. Protect those of us who are Asian American. Show the rest of us how to be faithful allies. We pray for the ongoing trial in the murder of George Floyd. We lift up his family, friends and community. May justice be done and change come in how we police our communities.
- We thank you that **Donna Bales'** surgery went forward and seems to have gone well. Keep her pain under control as she heals. Help her to rest comfortably. As she awaits more news on what they found and what the next steps will look like, give her peace and support.
- We give you thanks for your son Jesus Christ, for his sacrifice for us, for his teaching. **Help us to grasp resurrection;** to understand its power, to see its force at work in our world, thawing the hatred within us, melting our hearts, building your kingdom among us.
- We pray your hand would intervene in the **war-torn countries** of the earth, that peace could be planted there, that new life could come to a country so firmly held in the grip of death. We name a few- Syria, Yemen, and Myanmar. We pray for refugees, especially the families new to our community that they could find a home here and put down roots.



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