



**Worship at Berkeley Friends Church
November 7, 2021 11:00 AM – 12:15 PM**



Presider - Steve Sims

Meditation

Prayer

Hymn - 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

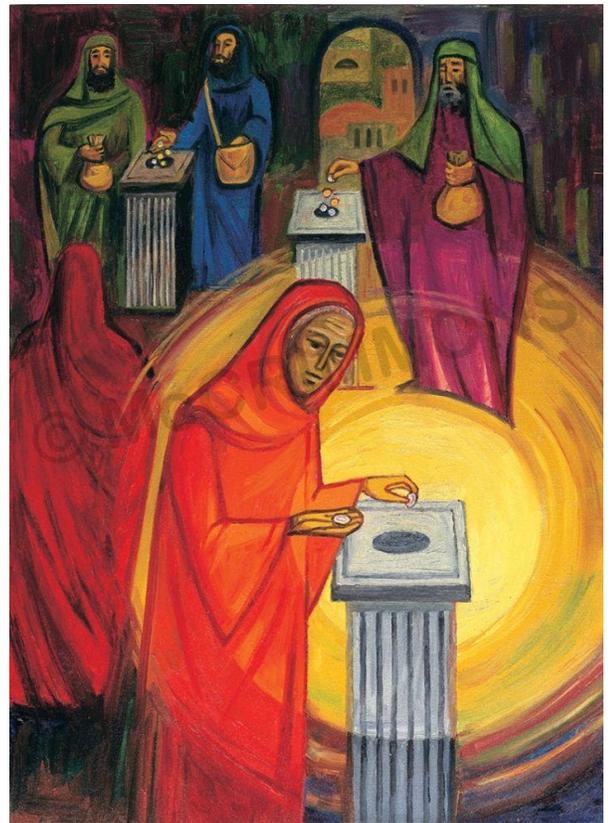
Praises & Petitions

Scripture - Mark 12:38-44

Message - "A Billionaire, a Widow and a Disciple" - Hannah Kelley

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 - Open My Eyes That I Might See

Open my eyes, that I may see
glimpses of truth you have for me;
place in my hands the wonderful key
that shall unlock and set me free.
Silently now, on bended knee,
ready I wait your will to see;
open my eyes, illumine me,
Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear
voices of truth you send so clear;
and while the message sounds in my ear,
everything false will disappear.
Silently now, on bended knee,
ready I wait your will to see;
open my ears, illumine me,
Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, and let me bear
gladly the warm truth everywhere;
open my heart, and let me prepare
love with your children thus to share.
Silently now, on bended knee,
ready I wait your will to see;
open my heart, illumine me,
Spirit divine!



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

Sermon by Phone - Listen to the sermon each week on the website or our sermon by phone service. To listen to the sermon on your phone, **call 510-201-9143** at any time to hear each week's message. New sermons are uploaded on Sunday afternoons.

Bible Study starts 7:30 PM on Tuesdays via Zoom. We will be discussing the book "A Quaker Prayer Life" by David Johnson.

Friends Committee on National Legislation's upcoming **Quaker Public Policy Institute and Annual Meeting**, to be held virtually **November 17-21, 2021**. Learn how to lobby your congress people, listen to great speakers like Vanessa Julye and celebrate Diane Randall's 10 years of leadership at FCNL. [Find out more](#) and [register here](#). Registration is pay-as-led, with no set fee, and you can join from anywhere with an Internet connection. [If you register by October 15](#), you'll receive a printed program and an FCNL hat in the mail.

Friends United Meeting's next International Prayer Gathering will be Friday November 19 at 9:00 AM on Zoom. Join Friends from around the world in prayer and fellowship on Zoom at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81401601535>. Or call 929 205 6099 and enter meeting ID 814 0160 1535.

Thanksgiving Day Worship- Join us at the meeting house for a brief period of gathered thankfulness on **November 25 at 10:00 AM**. We will sing, pray and have open worship together as we express gratitude for all God does.

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 November 7, 2021

- We **thank you for the rain that refreshes the earth and sustains life**. We rejoice in the changing of the seasons and the changes that brings to our world.
- 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, Veneita Porter, Donna Bales, Jayne's relative Quincy, Dianna Horne 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 around the world**. May the vaccine be distributed more quickly and equitably. Give us wisdom and peace as we begin to return to some of our before-time routines. Protect those who can't get vaccinated from infection, particularly from the Delta strain.

- We pray for **Faith Jansen Brewer, Peter Brewer and their family** on her diagnosis of terminal cancer. We ask that the chemo treatment be helpful in giving her more time and lessening her symptoms. Minimize the side effects of those drugs. May she be comfortable and have the energy to do the things she'd like to. We grieve this news but we know that you are with us and the Brewers in our sadness, walking each step of the way.
- We pray for **Faith Kelley's cousin Ben** as he continues to seek a firm diagnosis for his muscular-neurological disease. Help him and his parents find competent care who will take them seriously and provide answers. Give Ben peace and comfort as he struggles with pain, uncertainty and frustration.
- We rejoice in the birth of **Fred and Louise Neal's grandson Frederick** on Thursday. We welcome him into this wonderful world you've created. Please be with Mary and Michael as they learn to care for this new tiny family member. May they get the rest and support they need after a long labor.
- We pray for **our country** which continues to be divided with increasingly sharp and entrenched differences. We pray for reconciliation, justice and understanding. May we be your peacemakers and rebuilders in the midst of much conflict and destruction.
- You have called us to be peacemakers and people who will work for you, offering our lives and our gifts in your service. But we sometimes hold back from trusting in these gifts you have given to us. We wonder if they will be enough to make a difference. And we become caught in the trap of believing that only the largest gifts have any worth. Forgive us when we slide so easily into our fears of inadequacy. Each of us has been blessed, and each is called to be a blessing. There are no small and insignificant gifts for God to bless and use. Free us from our fears of "not enough" and help us to joyfully place our hopes, dreams and lives in your care.

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