

## Worship at Berkeley Friends Church

June 28, 2020 11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

Presider - John Maurer

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 – Revelation 4, 12:7-12

Message - “War in Heaven” - 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 - Holy, Holy, Holy!

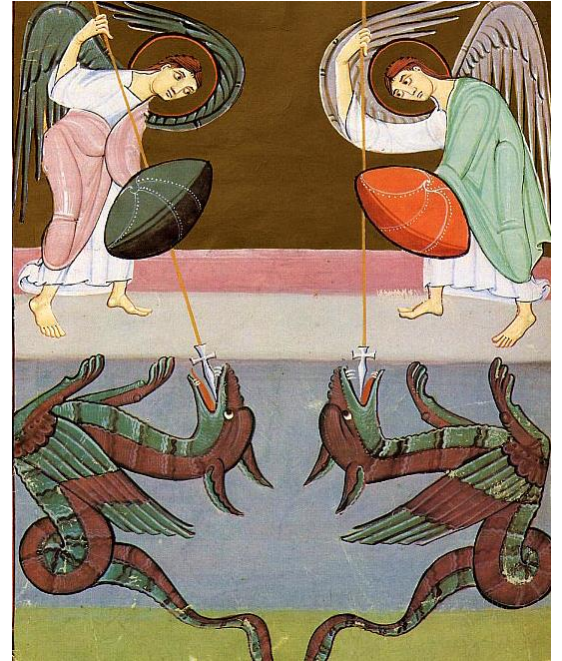
Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,  
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee  
perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
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## 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

**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 section and then discuss.

**Happy Hour** – Come hang out with folks from Berkeley Friends Church from 8:00 to 9:00 PM, **Friday July 10**. We have no agenda. Just a time to chat, connect and enjoy each other's company. Check for log in details on listserv announcements.

**Whittier First Friends** is inviting all rising first through eighth graders to their **Peace Camp July 13-17 from 10:00-11:30** on Zoom. The theme "Colors of Peace" will focus the sessions on appreciating diversity and finding peace. Planned activities include stories, crafts, "visiting" speakers, and interactive games. If you'd like to participate, please register soon so that the materials can be mailed to your child. Ask Faith Kelley for the registration form.

**Census 2020:** Don't forget to respond to your notice either online, by phone or by paper form after April 8th. The census will only ask 9 questions and by law cannot be shared with anyone including ICE, the police, or other government agencies. An undercount will have a huge effect on our area. For example, if we have an undercount of 6% in Alameda County, the county will lose \$1 billion over 10 years. For more info see [www.acgov.org/Census2020](http://www.acgov.org/Census2020)

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

### **Praises and Petitions of Berkeley Friends Church June 28, 2020**

- We **thank you for the hospitality and friendship** that are offered by our brothers and sisters in Christ. Together we worship the God who always welcomes 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, Tomi's friend Katie, Joe Williams, Diana's friend Sebastian, Robbie Williams, Marilyn's friend Bruce, Lorryng's sister Candace, and Sam Kumao.**
- We ask for God's presence with **Friends not able to be with us: Julie Rowlette, Charles Blue 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 particularly remember: **Eden Grace, Faith and Micah's friends Scott Breeze and Faith and Steve Williams.**
- We pray for **Hal** as he awaits the results of an echocardiogram. Bring him peace as he waits. Make the results positive news. Give the doctors wisdom about how best to bring healing.
- We pray for **Bernice** in her uncertainty about employment for the next school year. We ask that you secure her job so that she can continue to support and encourage students in their education. If that is not possible, please bring the right employment situation for her and give her the financial resources she needs.
- We ask that you be with all the **students, staff and administrators** as they face the unknown in the upcoming school year. Give those making decisions wisdom and the power to see the creative solutions that will provide equitable, supportive education to all students. For those students who

feel anxious and uncertain, we pray for peace and a good start to the new school year. Help parents who will soon be scrambling to figure out how to make new schedules work in their family's lives.

- We pray for **justice** in the face of continued acts of police brutality and racial injustice in our country. Give us the tools we need to break apart the systems that keep the powerful in the role of oppressor and black and brown people ground down and afraid. Show us what part we must play in your kingdom of equality and reconciliation.
- Remind us of the love of Jesus Christ with which you claimed us as your own and we claimed you as our own. **Rekindle in us the oneness** we experienced when we accepted your invitation to join you in covenant. And let us be renewed and empowered to enlarge the circle of your covenant people. Make us quick to greet hesitation with generosity, suspicion with acceptance, anger with gentleness, and defensiveness with friendliness. When people ask us who we are, let us reveal whose we are.



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