

**Worship at Berkeley Friends Church**  
**November 8, 2020 11:00 AM – 12:15 PM**

**Presider - Louise Neal**

**Meditation**

**Prayer**

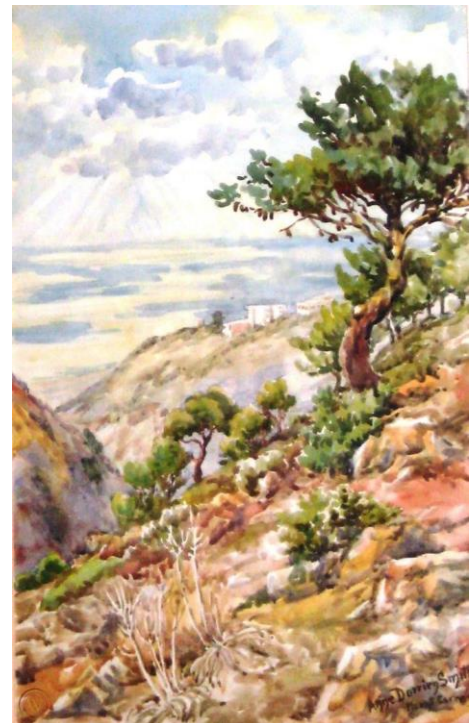
**Hymn - How Firm a Foundation**

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!  
What more can He say than to you He hath said,  
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed,  
For I am thy god, and will still give thee aid;  
I'll strengthen thee, help thee and cause thee to stand,  
Up held by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call thee to go,  
The rivers of sorrow shall not over flow;  
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,  
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

When through fiery trials thy path way shall lie,  
My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply:  
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design  
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.  
The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake! Amen.



## Praises & Petitions

Scripture - 1 Kings 18:20-40

Message - "God, Send Your Fire" - 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 - Let Your Fire Fall

Come and show Your power as in days of old  
Lord, Lord let Your fire fall  
Burn up the idols of wood and stone  
Lord, Lord let Your fire fall  
We come before You Father  
We offer You our lives  
Our hearts are on Your altar  
Consume the sacrifice  
Lord, Lord let Your fire fall  
Lord, Lord let Your fire fall

Come and show Your power in our midst today  
Lord, Lord let Your fire fall  
Holy Spirit come and have Your way  
Lord, Lord let Your fire fall  
Purify Your people  
Set our hearts aflame  
Give us holy passion  
Come and glorify Your name  
O Lord, Lord let Your fire fall  
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O Lord, O Lord let Your fire fall  
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O Lord O Lord let Your fire fall  
Let Your fire fall  
Let Your fire fall  
Let Your fire fall on us,  
O Lord let your fire fall

### **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 discussion and then discuss.

**Saturday November 14 at 4:00 PM- All Ages and Stages Worship.** Worship designed with everyone in mind. Participate in prayer, scripture reading and waiting worship focused around thankfulness and gratitude.

**Way of the Spirit Mini-Course – Listen - Tune Your Inner Ears to the Spirit**, an online mini-course from the Quaker Way of the Spirit program: How are your spiritual ears handling the noise, suffering, and uncertainty of this fall? How are you sorting inner Holy guidance from other loud and urgent influences? All of us can learn to better recognize and follow the inward promptings of the Spirit through the tumult. It might matter now more than ever. An online mini-course from the Quaker-based, Way of the Spirit program invites all to grow in inward attentiveness that integrates outward actions in the Spirit of Love. LISTEN—Personal Spiritual Awareness and Discernment - **Nov 21, Dec 5 & 12, 2020, 9:30am -1:30 pm, Pacific Time.** Three Saturday mornings of interactive learning, reflection, and prayer online through Zoom videoconferencing. Click here for more information.

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**Sunday November 22 at 11:00 AM- Worship with Whittier First Friends Church** with speaker Vanessa Julye, Nurturing Ministries Coordinator, Ministry on Racism and Youth Ministries Programs at Friends General Conference

**Thursday November 26 at 10:00 AM- Brief gathering for Thanksgiving prayer.** More details to come.

**Christmas Eve Service at 5:00 PM on December 24** on Zoom. Engage with the Christmas story, sing songs and rejoice that God with us and so we fear not! A time for people of all ages as we celebrate the birth of our Savior.

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 November 8, 2020**

- We **thank you for your brilliant love** bursting through the oppressive darkness to heal our spirits and to prepare us to become your disciples. We are grateful for your love poured out for 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, David Thompson, 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** 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 pray for **John Maurer** as he recovers from falling and hitting his head. Help him to feel steady on his feet again. May his injuries heal quickly and with little pain.
- We ask for continued healing for **Fred Neil**, Louise's husband, from shingles. Lessen his discomfort and may he pass through this illness quickly.
- We pray for **our country** as we continue to wait for election results and count ballots. We pray against the spirit of confusion, lies and fear that can so easily spread. May every vote that should be counted be counted. Heal the divisions in our nation that this election has made so obvious. Whatever the outcome, we put our trust in you and that you will show us the way forward.
- We ask for safe travels for **Sarah, Lee and Jasmine** as they go to Florida. May they enjoy the change of scenery and time together as a family.
- We thank you that the **Kelley & Bales family** was able to find a home to buy and that they have entered into escrow. Help that process go smoothly. May their move near the holidays not be too stressful and help the kids adjust to their new house.

- **Heal our hearts and our wounded spirits.** Lift us from the depths of our anguish into the light of your love that we may serve you faithfully. When the darkness becomes oppressive and we cling to our fears, O Lord, forgive us. Open our hearts and release us from all those things which block us from your love.



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