

Good Morning Church!

**NORTH BEND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Sunday, February 7, 2021

*Because God is worthy we worship*

*\*indicates to stand, if able*

**GATHERING AND WELCOME**

**Prelude**

**Announcements**

*(Are there any other Announcements?)*

## COME BEFORE THE LORD

### **\*Call to Worship<sup>1</sup>**

Leader: Praise God who has showered us with love.

**People: Even in the dark times, God protects and guides us.**

Leader: God has blessed us with a magnificent world

**People: If strife should assail, God call us to be people of healing and action to help others.**

Leader: Come! Let us worship God who is always with us.

**People: Let us praise God that through all our trials and triumphs, God's love brings us hope. Amen.**

### **\*Singing**

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*      UMH #110 (v. 1)

**1. A mighty fortress is our God,  
a bulwark never failing;  
our helper he amid the flood  
of mortal ills prevailing.  
For still our ancient foe  
doth seek to work us woe;  
his craft and power are great,  
and armed with cruel hate,  
on earth is not his equal.**

## **PRAY UNTO THE LORD**

### **\*Praying Together<sup>1</sup>**

**God of love and healing, we gather today to hear the words of your love as you touch our hearts with holy balm. Open our hearts and spirits and let your merciful spirit dwell within us that, having heard the good news, we may bring that hope to others. Amen.**

### **Joys & Concerns**

### **Silent & Pastoral Prayer**

### **Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

## **HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD**

### **Anthem**

### **Reading the Scripture**

**Psalm 46:1-11 NIV**

46:1 God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.  
2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the  
mountains fall into the heart of the sea,  
3 though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with  
their surging.  
4 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the  
holy place where the Most High dwells.  
5 God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of  
day.  
6 Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth  
melts.  
7 The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.  
8 Come and see what the LORD has done, the desolations he has  
brought on the earth.  
9 He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth. He breaks the  
bow and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.  
10 He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted  
among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."  
11 The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## Proclaiming the Gospel

*"Psalm 46 – God is Our Refuge"*

### RESPOND IN THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD

**\*Singing**

*Precious Name*

UMH #536 (v.1)

**1. Take the name of Jesus with you,  
child of sorrow and of woe;  
it will joy and comfort give you;  
take it then, where'er you go.**

*Refrain*

**Precious name, O how sweet!  
Hope of earth and joy of heaven.  
Precious name, O how sweet!  
Hope of earth and joy of heaven.**

### GO IN THE GRACE OF THE LORD

**\*Receiving the Blessing**

**Postlude**

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