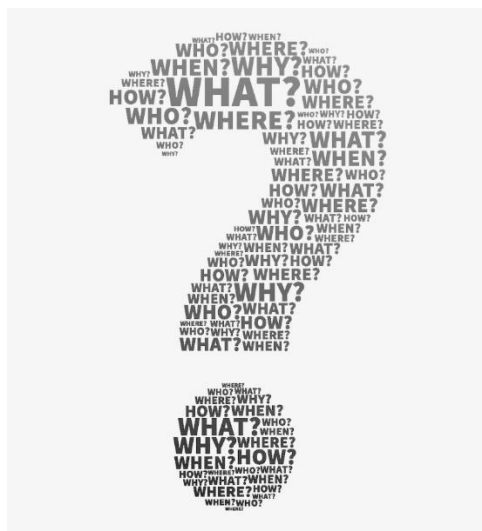


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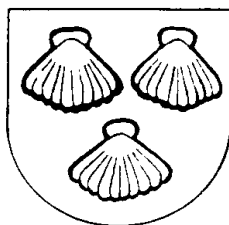


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“QUESTIONS in Faith: How Are We One? What Must We Do?”

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Opening Hymn

“Christ is the World’s Light”

UMH 188

Verse 1

Christ is the world's Light Christ and none other
Born in our darkness He became our Brother
If we have seen Him we have seen the Father
Glory to God on high

Verse 3

Christ is the world's Life Christ and none other
Sold once for silver murdered here our Brother
He who redeems us reigns with God the Father
Glory to God on high

Verse 2

Christ is the world's peace Christ and none other
No one can serve Him and despise another
Who else unites us one in God the Father
Glory to God on high

Verse 4

Give God the glory God and none other
Give God the glory Spirit Son and Father
Give God the glory God with us my brother
Glory to God on high

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Children’s Message

Edie Candee

Scripture

Ephesians 2:11-22 (CEB)

Antuan Hairston

¹¹ So remember that once you were Gentiles by physical descent, who were called “uncircumcised” by Jews who are physically circumcised. ¹² At that time you were without Christ. You were aliens rather than citizens of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of God’s promise. In this world you had no hope and no God. ¹³ But now, thanks to Christ Jesus, you who once were so far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

¹⁴ Christ is our peace. He made both Jews and Gentiles into one group. With his body, he broke down the barrier of hatred that divided us. ¹⁵ He canceled the detailed rules of the Law so that he could create one new person out of the two groups, making peace. ¹⁶ He reconciled them both as one body to God by the cross, which ended the hostility to God.

¹⁷ When he came, he announced the good news of peace to you who were far away from God and to those who were near. ¹⁸ We both have access to the Father through Christ by the one Spirit. ¹⁹ So now you are no longer strangers and aliens. Rather, you are fellow citizens with God’s people, and you belong to God’s household. ²⁰ As God’s household, you are built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹ The whole building is joined together in him, and it grows up into a temple that is dedicated to the Lord. ²² Christ is building you into a place where God lives through the Spirit.

Mark 6:30–34, 53–56 (CEB)

³⁰ The apostles returned to Jesus and told him everything they had done and taught. ³¹ Many people were coming and going, so there was no time to eat. He said to the apostles, “Come by yourselves to a secluded place and rest for a while.” ³² They departed in a boat by themselves for a deserted place.

³³ Many people saw them leaving and recognized them, so they ran ahead from all the cities and arrived before them. ³⁴ When Jesus arrived and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd. Then he began to teach them many things.

⁵³ When Jesus and his disciples had crossed the lake, they landed at Gennesaret, anchored the boat, ⁵⁴ and came ashore. People immediately recognized Jesus ⁵⁵ and ran around that whole region bringing sick people on their mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶ Wherever he went—villages, cities, or farming communities—they would place the sick in the marketplaces and beg him to allow them to touch even the hem of his clothing. Everyone who touched him was healed.

Hymn

“Love Lifted Me”

W & S 3101

Verse 1

I was sinking deep in sin
Far from the peaceful shore
Very deeply stained within
Sinking to rise no more
But the Master of the sea
Heard my despairing cry
From the waters lifted me
Now safe am I

Chorus

Love lifted even me
Love lifted even me
When nothing else could help
Love lifted me.
Love lifted even me
Love lifted even me
When nothing else could help
Love lifted me

Verse 2

Souls in danger look above
Jesus completely saves
He will lift you by His love
Out of the angry waves
He's the Master of the sea
Billows His will obey
He your Savior wants to be
Be saved today

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Message

“Got Questions in Faith?”

Rev. Patricia Abell

Prayers for God’s People, the Church and the World

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The Lord’s Prayer

Offering Invitation and Prayer

Doxology

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God All creatures here below
Alleluia alleluia
Praise God the source of all our gifts
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

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Closing Hymn

“How Firm a Foundation”

UMH 529

Verse 1

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

Verse 3

When through the deep waters I call thee to go
The rivers of woe shall not thee overflow
For I will be with thee thy troubles to bless
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress

Verse 2

Fear not I am with thee O be not dismayed
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid
I'll strengthen & help thee & cause thee to stand
Upheld by my righteous omnipotent hand

Verse 4

When through fiery trials thy pathways 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

Verse 5

The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose
I will not I will not desert to its foes
That soul though all hell should endeavor to shake
I'll never no never no never forsake

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Benediction

Go forth knowing Christ is our peace!

Christ is building us into a people of peace.

Go Forth certain that Christ is our cornerstone, joining us together as one.

Christ is building us into a place where God lives.

Go Forth as God's people who are built into a temple of peace.

We will be a people where God lives in the world. Amen.

Postlude

“How Firm a Foundation” (Anna Laura Page) *offered by Clarice Snyder*

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Question for Reflection

God promised to build King David into a “house.” Paul told the Ephesians that in Christ they would be built into “a dwelling place for God.” How is the Holy Spirit living in you?

Household Prayer: Morning

*Holy One who is Holy Three, I praise you as I rise from my bed.
As the morning dew glistens and songbirds greet the day, let my prayers go up to you.
Awaken my body to the wonder of life and fill my spirit with the joy of your presence.
I seek your guidance as I prepare for activity;
Instruct me on what is necessary and what is fruitless so that I wisely use the gifts you give me.
Let me see all people as your beloved children, some needing care, some needing forgiveness, all
deserving dignity, respect, and hospitality.
If it is your will, protect me from harm.
In all events, grant me the comfort of your presence so that I can faithfully obey your will.
Spare others suffering because of my sinfulness.
Let me bear witness to your goodness in my words, my actions, and my silences so that you can use me
to draw others into your presence.
Bring us together into the time when Christ Jesus comes and all sorrows are wiped away.
Then all will be one and joined to you in love by the grace of our same Lord Jesus Christ, who, together
with you and the Holy Spirit, is worshiped and glorified now and forever. Amen.*

Household Prayer: Evening

*Holy One, thank you for another day lived in your grace.
Thank you for all whom I met who showed me your kindness.
Help me to repent of my sins before I go to my bed this night.
Let me receive the blessing of forgiveness and enter a period of rest with the burdens of the day lifted
from me, and the comfort of your peace as a pillow for my head.
If it is your will, speak to me as I sleep, and let me remember your words as I rise to a new day, giving
you thanks and praise, one God in three persons forever. Amen.*

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