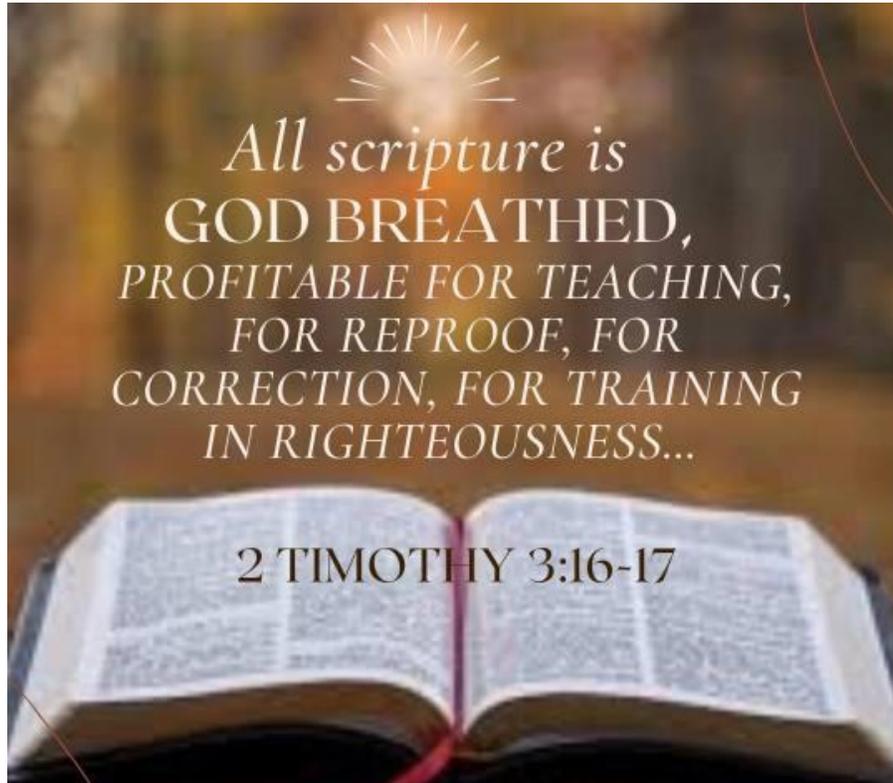


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SUNDAY WORSHIP FEBRUARY 20, 2022 11:00 AM

GREETING AND WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 119, Jeremiah 31)

Leader: How beautiful is the word of the Lord!

People: How wise are God's commandments!

Leader: Through the Lord's precepts, we gain understanding.

People: Through God's wisdom, we find truth.

Leader: The Lord is our God; we are God's people.

People: God's word lives within us, for it is written on our hearts.

All: Let us worship God!

HYMN HOW FIRM THE 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, Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.”

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

“When through fiery trials thy pathway 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.”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Unison*) From the least of us, to the greatest, Lord, we want to know you. We yearn to follow where you lead us and we need your guidance. As we listen for your direction, other voices compete for our attention with teachings that suit our desires. Our thoughts drift so far from your truth that fables and fancies begin to seem real. Holy One, open our hearts and minds and by your Spirit, convince, rebuke, and encourage us as only you can. We ask you to teach, correct, and inspire us in the ways of your salvation so that we may live as your people. In Christ's Name we pray, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GLORIA PATRI Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, And to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: World without end. Amen.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS / WAVING THE PEACE

A TIME FOR THOSE WHO ARE YOUNG

HYMN EVERY PROMISE OF YOUR WORD

From the breaking of the dawn to the setting of the sun, I will stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word. Words of power, strong to save, that will never pass away, I will stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word. For Your covenant is sure, And on this I am secure—I can stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.

When I stumble and I sin, condemnation pressing in, I will stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word. You are faithful to forgive that in freedom I might live, So I stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word. Guilt to innocence restored, You remember sins no more—So I'll stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.

When I'm faced with anguished choice, I will listen for Your voice, And I'll stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word. Through this dark and troubled land You will guide me with Your hand As I stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word. And You've promised to complete Ev'ry work begun in me— So I'll stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.

Hope that lifts me from despair, love that casts out ev'ry fear, As I stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word. Not forsaken, not alone, for the Comforter has come, And I stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word. Grace sufficient, grace for me, Grace for all who will believe— We will stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE John 1:1-14

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being 4 in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. 5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. 6 There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. 7 He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. 8 He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. 9 The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. 10 He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. 11 He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. 12 But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, 13 who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. 14 And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

HYMN THY WORD IS A LAMP UNTO MY FEET

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path When I feel afraid Think I've lost my way Still you're there right beside me And nothing will I fear As long as you are near Please be near me to the end

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path

I will not forget Your love for me and yet My heart forever is wandering Jesus be my guide And hold me to your side I will love you to the end Nothing will I fear as long as you are near Please be near me to the end

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path And a light unto my path You're the light unto my path

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE 2 Timothy 3:16

All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness

MEDITATION – “Trusting in the Word”

HYMN ANCIENT WORDS

Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world, They resound with God's own heart Oh, let the Ancient words impart. Words of Life, words of Hope Give us strength, help us cope In this world, where e'er we roam Ancient words will guide us Home. Ancient words ever true Changing me, and changing you. We have come with open hearts Oh let the ancient words impart.

Holy words of our Faith Handed down to this age. Came to us through sacrifice Oh heed the faithful words of Christ. Holy words long preserved For our walk in this world. They resound with God's own heart Oh let the ancient words impart. Ancient words ever true

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PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

DOXOLOGY - Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SERVICE OF INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Elders: Betty Jane Biache (2024), Ruth Chiesa (2024), and Arlene Knaub (2023)
Trustee: Kyle Bond (2024)

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS/PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Upcoming Birthdays/Anniversaries: Last Week Jennifer Wengryn, February 18

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

HYMN STANDING ON THE PROMISES

Standing on the promises of Christ, my King, Through eternal ages let his praises ring; Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing, Standing on the promises of God. Standing, standing, Standing on the promises of God, my Savior; Standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises that cannot fail. When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail, By the living Word of God I shall prevail, Standing on the promises of God. Standing, standing, Standing on the promises of God, my Savior; Standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises of Christ, the Lord, Bound to him eternally by love's strong cord, Overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword, Standing on the promises of God. Standing, standing, Standing on the promises of God, my Savior; Standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises I cannot fall, List'ning ev'ry moment to the Spirit's call, Resting in my Savior as my all in all, Standing on the promises of God. Standing, standing, Standing on the promises of God, my Savior; Standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP INSIDE every Sunday at 11 AM! - Worship is live-streamed on Facebook at 11 AM; Recordings of worship available at a later date.

Bible Study and Tea, THIS Wednesday, February 23, 3 PM Lois Riggs will be leading Tea & Bible Study which meets the Second and Fourth Wednesdays at 3 pm. Tea and English pastries served. To learn more information, speak to Lois Riggs. All men and women are invited to attend. Join anytime.

Mardi Gras, Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, March 1, 5:30 -7 PM We will have Pancakes, Bacon, and Fruit. Come for a short bit or the whole time. Volunteers are needed for cooking and to bring potluck food items. Contact Pastor Courtney for more information, pastorcourtney@larisonscorner.org.

Ash Wednesday Worship - March 2, 7:00 to 7:30PM. Join us for a contemplative and meaningful worship with a blessing of the ashes. As we prepare for Lent, let us remember that God breathed life into us and our lives are in the palm of His Hand.

Wednesday Night Lenten Bible Study, 6:30 - 8:30 PM In-Person and Via Zoom (March 9, March 16, March 23, March 30, April 6, & April 13) - For Men and Women This is a weekly Lenten Bible Study on the People of The Passion. We will learn from those in Scripture who participated in some dramatic way the Passion which included the suffering and death of Jesus. Come all six nights or just one or two. Contact Pastor Courtney for more info at pastorcourtney@larisonscorner.org

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you can set up a one-time gift, ongoing gifts, or a special gift. **Give today by using your camera on your cell phone over the image to the right and following the link to make your donation.*



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