

LITURGY & SONGS – February 2nd, 2020

Reflection Quote:

"Whatever satisfies the soul is truth." — Walt Whitman

Call to Worship:

All: How glorious is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts. Our souls long and even faint to be in your courts. For one day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. Our hearts are at peace in your presence and with our voices we sing for joy to the living God. You are our sun, our shield, and all our hope is in you, O Lord of hosts.

<Based on Psalm 84>

Confession of Sin:

Leader: Jesus, busyness and self-sufficiency are my badges of honor. And I strain day after day, convincing myself that the next project, the next promotion, or the next period of time will finally be the moment I get to slow down. I am restlessly making my way through days that become weeks that all blur together. I find myself longing for relief but not changing my ways. Though I know I can turn to you, the alarm clock goes off and the next day begins. Forgive me for choosing progress for myself over relationship with you. Forgive me forsaking the rest that only comes from embracing and being embraced by you.

Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: Ransomed people of God: Lift up your head! For lasting rest has been secured through a hope that never fails.

All: Pierced for our transgressions, scorned because of our shame. Though we come with nothing but our brokenness to offer, there is redemption in one name. Jesus, you are good! With your final breath, you tore the veil. Defeating death, you robbed the grave. You rose in victory and now the lost are saved! With one voice, we praise the name above every name.

Benediction:

Dearly Beloved, truly our souls find their rest in God, for our salvation comes from him alone. May this God of peace who raised Christ from the dead, the great shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen. <Based on Psalm 62 and Hebrews 13>

SONGS

Psalm 66 How Deep the Father's Love Be Still my Soul Is He Worthy This I Believe