

Saturday, April 29, 2023

INVITATION:

The Lord is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. (2 Pet. 3:9)

Pause and slow your breath before entering into prayer.

BIBLE SONG: Psalm 29:1-4, 8-11

Ascribe to the Lord, you heavenly beings,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;
worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders,
the Lord thunders over the mighty waters.
The voice of the Lord is powerful; ...

The voice of the Lord shakes the desert;
the Lord shakes the Desert of Kadesh.
The voice of the Lord twists the oaks
and strips the forests bare.
And in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

The Lord sits enthroned over the flood;
the Lord is enthroned as King forever.
The Lord gives strength to his people;
the Lord blesses his people with peace.

PRAYER:

Jesus, though I do not always fully understand you, I choose today to fully trust you. I trust the God who refuses to offer platitudes from a safe distance, but who climbs down into the mess with me – the mess of our world, the mess of my life, the mess of my suffering.

God, help me to live this day to the full, being true to you, in every way.

Jesus, help me give myself away to others, being kind to everyone I meet.

Spirit, help me to love the lost, proclaiming Christ in all I do and say.⁷

Pause and listen for what God is saying to you.

INTERCESSION:

*for those in our congregation struggling with financial crisis

*that Hebron community garden will be a blessing to the whole community

*for those who are still feeling the effects of Cyclone Freddy

What else do you want to talk to God about?

How is God inviting you to respond?

BLESSING:

The peace of God be in your heart

The grace of God be in your words

The love of God be in your hands

The joy of God be in your soul

and in the song that your life sings. Amen.⁵