

First United Methodist Church, Lake Charles
January 17, 2020

HYMN 369 "Blessed Assurance"

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.	Refrain: This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long; this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.	2. Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight; angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. (Refrain)	3. Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest, watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. (Refrain)
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SONG "Whom Shall I Fear?"

You hear me when I call You are my morning song Though darkness fills the night It cannot hide the light Whom shall I fear?	I know who goes before me I know who stands behind The God of angel armies Is always by my side	You will deliver me Yours is the victory Whom shall I fear? Whom shall I fear?	The God of angel armies Is always by my side
You crush the enemy Underneath my feet You are my sword and shield Though troubles linger still Whom shall I fear?	The one who reigns forever He is a friend of mine The God of angel armies Is always by my side	I know who goes before me I know who stands behind The God of angel armies Is always by my side	And nothing formed against me shall stand You hold the whole world in your hands I'm holding on to your promises
	My strength is in your name For you alone can save	The one who reigns forever He is a friend of mine	You are faithful You are faithful

SONG "Sparrows"

You can't add a single day by worrying You'll worry your life away Oh don't worry your life away You can't change a single thing by freaking out It's just gonna close you in Oh don't let the trouble win	Not a field or flower escapes His notice Oh even the sparrow Knows He holds tomorrow	Lean in and it's hard to miss Everything can change When you make it His Oh He wants to carry it Carefree in the care of God When you let it go	You don't walk alone If He can hold the world He can hold this moment Not a field or flower escapes His notice Oh even the sparrow Knows He holds tomorrow
You may feel alone But you're not on your own If He can hold the world He can hold this moment	There's not a single star that's out of place There's nothing broken He can't remake If you long for hope	There's not a single star that's out of place There's nothing broken He can't remake If you long for hope	when you're afraid Oh look at the sparrow Look at the sparrow

SCRIPTURE — Matthew 6:25-34

²⁵ "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? ²⁷ Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life? ²⁸ And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. ²⁹ Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. ³⁰ If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹ So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' ³² For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. ³³ But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. ³⁴ Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic** church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

** *universal*

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, amen.

HYMN 522 "Leave It There"

1 If the world from you withhold
of its silver and its gold,
and you have to get along with
meager fare,
just remember in his Word
how he feeds the little bird,
take your burden to the Lord and
leave it there.

Refrain:
Leave it there, leave it there,
take your burden to the Lord and
leave it there.
If you trust and never doubt, he will
surely bring you out;

take your burden to the Lord and
leave it there.

2 If your body suffers pain,
and your health you can't regain,
and your soul is almost sinking in
despair,
Jesus knows the pain you feel,
he can save and he can heal,
take your burden to the Lord and
leave it there. [Refrain]

3 When your enemies assail,
and your heart begins to fail,
don't forget that God in heaven an-

swers prayer;
he will make a way for you,
and will lead you safely through,
take your burden to the Lord and
leave it there. [Refrain]

4 When your youthful days are done,
and old age is stealing on,
and your body bends beneath the
weight of care,
he will never leave you then,
he'll go with you to the end,
take your burden to the Lord and
leave it there. [Refrain]

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Youth Ignite is re-launching this Sunday from 4-6. We will meet every other Sunday night

This week we will have another youth group visiting with us from Natchez, MS. We will be having gumbo, playing games, and having a short devotional.