

September 12th, 2021

Worship Link: <https://youtu.be/MenTmVyWNo4>

Moment of Silence Sept 11 – 20 years

PRELUDE: #664 Lord Jesus you shall be my song -Les Petites Soeurs (L'Arche Community)

OPENING WORDS:

CHILDREN'S TIME: *Little by little*

♪ *Little by little everyday, little by little in every way
My Jesus, he's changing me.
Since I made that turn-about face I've been growing in his grace
My Jesus is changing me.*

*He's changing me, my precious Jesus
I'm not the same old boring person that I used to be
Sometimes it's slow going but there's a knowing
That one day perfect I will be.*

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 139:14; Romans 12:6 (The Message Version)

Responsive Psalm 105 paraphrase: (please read with Paul)

Leader: How great is my God, and how I love to sing God's praises!

Congregation: Whereas, I am often frightened when I think about the future, and confused and disturbed by the rapidly changing events about me – my heart is secured, and made glad when I remember how God has cared for me through the past.

When I was brought forth from my mother's womb, God's hand was upon me. Through parents and others who care, God loved and sheltered me and set me upon the course for my life.

Through illness and accident my God has sustained me. Around pitfalls and precipices God has safely led me.

When I became rebellious and struck out on my own, God waited patiently for me to return.

When I fell on my face in weakness and failure, God gently set me on my feet again.

God did not always prevent me from hurting myself, but took me back to heal my wounds. Even out of the broken pieces of my defeats God created a vessel of beauty and usefulness.

Through trial & errors, failures & successes, my God has cared for me -from infancy to adulthood God has never let me go.

God's love has led me – or followed me – through the valleys of sorrow and the highlands of joy – through times of want, and years of abundance.

God has bridged the impassable rivers and moved impossible mountains. Sometimes through me – sometimes in spite of me, God seeks to accomplish purposes in my life.

God has kept me through the stormy past. God will secure and guide me through the perilous future. I need never be afraid, no matter how uncertain the months or years ahead of me. How great is my God – and how I love to sing God’s praises!

This is the word of the Lord - ...thanks be to God.

PRAYER: *All that I am*

by William Hines

Loving God, on this day we come to you with prayers for our world....

♫ ***All that I am, all I can be, all that I have, all that is me, accept and use, Lord, as you would choose, Lord, right now, today.***

We heard the scripture to the Romans, asking us to be ourselves...

♫ ***Take every passion, every skill, take all my dreams and bend them to your will. My all I give, Lord, for you I’ll live, Lord, come what may.***

We close our prayer time, with a prayer written by the Iona Community in Scotland...

♫ ***All that I am, all I can be, all that I have, all that is me, accept and use, Lord, as you would choose, Lord, right now, today. Take every passion, every skill, take all my dreams and bend them to your will. My all I give, Lord, for you I’ll live, Lord, come what may.***

ASSURANCE:

SERMON: *Ugly bug...beast...or beauty? (Disney Series)*

CLOSING HYMN: #634 *Will you come and follow me*

by John Bell (Iona Community)

♫ Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don’t know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you love the “you” you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you’ve found to reshape the world around,
Through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I’ll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I’ll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

BENEDICTION & BLESSING: *Go now in peace*

by Don Besig