

BARRE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST October 11, 2020

Nineteenth Sunday of Pentecost ~ Faith, Second Sunday of Stewardship
Outside Service
Pastor Margaret Keyser, preaching

REFLECTION

"Unless we perceive the mind of God, through faith, our lives become a meaningless routine of vanity. But we know God has a purpose." Andrew C. Phiri, Missionary, Pastor

PRELUDE Great is thy Faithfulness-arr. L. Shackley

Day by Day-O. Ahnfelt He Leadeth Me-arr. J. Ray

Faith of Our Fathers-arr. E.Rocherolle Deborah Page

Greeting Pastor Margaret Keyser

CALL TO WORSHIP

Janice Handrahan

Leader: To You oh Lord, we lift up our souls, in You we trust with all our lives! **People: No one whose faith is in You, will ever be put to shame, oh God.**

Leader: The counsel of the Lord belongs to the faithful; the covenant instructs them **People: The Lord is our Light and our salvation, the Stronghold of our lives!**

All: Guide us in Your truth, oh Lord, and renew our hearts and minds.

Gathering Hymn Great is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God My Father, there is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not; As thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

All I have needed hand Thy hand hath provided. Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, into me.

Summer and winter, and spring-time and harvest, Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above Join with all nature in manifold witness to Thy faithfulness, mercy and love.

Refrain:

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Refrain:

SPECIAL MUSIC I Believe-Drake, Graham, Shirl and Stillman Karla Peterson, soloist

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Hebrews 11:1-11 Janice Handrahan
Philippians 1:27-30 Pastor Margaret Keyser

SERMON "Let Us Live Our Lives by Faith" Pastor Margaret Keyser

HYMN My Faith Looks Up to Me

My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine!

Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away, O let me from this day be wholly Thine!

May Thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire;

As Thou hast died for me,O may my love to Thee,

Pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!

While life's dark maze I tread and griefs around me spread be Thou my guide;

Bid darkness turn to day, Wipe sorrow's tears away

Nor let me every stray from Thee side.

When ends life's passing dream, when death's cold, threatening stream shall o'er me roll,

Blest Savior, then in love, fear and trust removed;

O lift me safe above, a ransomed soul! Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Margaret Keyser

HYMN

Trust and Obey

When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word, what glory He sheds on our way! While we do His good will He abides with us still and with all who will trust and obey!

Refrain:

Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies, but His smile quickly drives it away; Not a doubt not a fear, nor a sigh nor a tear, can abide while we trust and obey.

Refrain:

Not a burden we bear. Not a sorrow we share, but our toil He doth richly repay; Not a grief not a loss, not a frown not a cross, but is blest if we trust and obey.

Refrain:

But we never can prove the delights of His love until all on the altar we lay; For a favor He shows and the joy He bestows are for them who will trust and obey.

Refrain:

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at His feet, or we'll walk by His Side in the way; What He says we will do, where He sends we will go- never fear, only trust and obey.

Refrain:

BENEDICTION Pastor Margaret Keyser

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Go Now in Peace

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.

God will go with you each hour of every day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.

Know He will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe.

Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there watching from above.

Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Soldiers of Christ Arise-arr. L. Smith

Deborah Page

Thank you to Karla Peterson for being the soloist today.

Also thank you to Deborah Page for the music and Pastor Margaret.