

CLASSIC SERVICE

First Evangelical Church

July 2, 2017, 8:45 a.m.

Grace Will Lead Me Home



SCRIPTURAL INVITATION

1 Peter 1:3-7

SONGS OF THE KINGDOM

(instrumental)

(choir)

When I can read my title clear to mansions in the skies,
I'll bid farewell to every fear, and wipe my weeping eyes.
And wipe my weeping eyes, and wipe my weeping eyes;
I'll bid farewell to ev'ry fear, and wipe my weeping eyes.

(all, standing)

Hymn #498, v. 3

**I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
Seem hungry and thirsting to hear it like the rest;
And when in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long.
*I love to tell the story! 'Twill be my theme in glory—
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.***

Hymn #502, v. 4

**Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come;
'Tis grace that brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.**

(please be seated)

WELCOME

Cole Huffman, Senior Pastor

GOD AT WORK

Ross and Sara, West Asia

PASTORAL PRAYER

SONG OF HOPE

(choir)

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path;

For my love is often cold: He must hold me fast.

He will hold me fast; He will hold me fast;

For my Savior loves me so—He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight; Christ will hold me fast;

Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.

He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last;

Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

He will hold me fast; He will hold me fast;

For my Savior loves me so—He will hold me fast.

For my life He bled and died—Christ will hold me fast;

Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.

Raised with Him to endless life—He will hold me fast.

Till our faith is turned to sight when He comes at last!

He will hold me fast; He will hold me fast;

For my Savior loves me so—He will hold me fast.

(all, standing)

***He will hold me fast; He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so—He will hold me fast.***

Heidelberg Catechism (Questions 1 and 2)

WORDS OF HOPE

(all, standing)

Leader: Christian, what is your only comfort, in life and in death?

People: That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of His own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that He protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit His purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

Leader: How many things must you know that you may live and die in the blessedness of this comfort?

People: Three. First, the greatness of my sin and wretchedness. Second, how I am freed from all my sins and their wretched consequences. Third, what gratitude I owe to God for such redemption.

HYMN OF HOPE

Hymn #478, vv. 1, 3, 4

**I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus the Nazarene,
And wonder how He could love me, a sinner, condemned, unclean.
*How marvelous! How wonderful! and my song shall ever be:
How marvelous! How wonderful! Is my Savior's love for me!***

**He took my sins and my sorrows, He made them His very own;
He bore the burden to Calv'ry, and suffered, and died alone. *(refrain)***

**When with the ransomed in glory His face I at last shall see,
'Twill be my joy through the ages to sing of His love for me. *(refrain)***

PRAYER OF HOPE

James Taylor, Elder

RESPONSE OF HOPE

Hymn #72, v3

**Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.
*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory, great things He hath done.***

(please be seated)

INTERLUDE

(text for meditation)

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye
To Canaan's fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.
*I am bound for the promised land, I am bound for the promised land;
O who will come and go with me? I am bound for the promised land.*

CHORAL MEDITATION

(choir)

Goin' home, goin' home, I'm a-goin' home; shadows gone, break o' day, real life just begun.
It's not far, just close by, through an open door; work all done, care laid by, gonna fear no more.

Goin' home, goin' home, I'm a-goin' home;
It's not far, just close by, through an open door. I'm a-goin' home.

SONG OF HOPE

(all, standing)

**There's a land that is fairer than day, and by faith we can see it afar;
For the Father waits over the way to prepare us a dwelling place there.
*In the sweet by and by, we shall meet on that beautiful shore.
In the sweet by and by, we shall meet on that beautiful shore.***

PRAYER OF HOPE

from *Valley of Vision*

(all)

O Lord, I live here as a fish in a vessel of water,
only enough to keep me alive, but in heaven I shall swim in the ocean.
Here I have a little air in me to keep me breathing,
but there I shall have sweet and fresh gales;
Here I have a beam of sun to lighten my darkness,
A warm ray to keep me from freezing;
yonder I shall live in light and warmth forever.

Quicken my hunger and thirst after the realm above,
where I long to join angels free from imperfections,
where in me the image of my adored Saviour will be completely restored,
so that I may be fit for His enjoyments and employments.

SONG OF HOPE

Hymn #596, v. 4

Then let our songs abound and every tear be dry;
We're marching through Immanuel's ground,
We're marching through Immanuel's ground
To fairer worlds on high, to fairer worlds on high.
*We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion;
We're marching upward to Zion, the beautiful city of God.*

(please be seated)

SERMON

Calling and Contending
Jude 1-4

Jamie Trussell

BENEDICTION

ON THE PLATFORM THIS MORNING

In an effort to make our leaders better known to the congregation, these leaders are sitting on the platform this morning. Those marked with * will be available following the service to greet you and give you spiritual assistance.

From left to right:

Jamie Trussell, Guest Preacher

*Cole Huffman, Senior Pastor

Ron Man, Pastor of Worship/Missionary in Residence

*James Taylor, Elder

Worship Leaders: The *Worship Choir*; Anne Russell, organ; Jamie Scholik, piano;
Shelly Sublett, oboe

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