

**Mountain View United Church
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Prelude/Gathering Music

God is good, all the time... all the time, God is good.

Words of Welcome/Announcements

Gathering Song Come to My Heart

VU#661

**1 Come to my heart, Lord Jesus;
teach me to walk in your way.
Come to my heart, Lord Jesus;
come to my heart today.**

**R: Give me the peace and joy
that only you can bring.
Come to my heart, Lord Jesus;
give me a song to sing.**

**2 Fill me with love, Lord Jesus;
teach me to walk in your way.
Fill me with love, Lord Jesus;
fill me with love today. R**

**3 Answer my prayer, Lord Jesus;
teach me to walk in your way.
Answer my prayer, Lord Jesus;
Answer my prayer today. R**

Lighting of the Christ Candle

We anticipated God's light. He gave us a star and that star led us to the light of the world; a small child swaddled in a manger. His light will grow, his light will spread, and his light will become our life's vision.

Call to Worship

God is truth eternal, so let our lips only speak truth.

**Lead us not into the temptation of slander,
condemnation, crudeness, and falsehoods.**

God is truth eternal, let us speak, clearly, calmly, and accurately.

**As God once used divine speech to usher in all
creation.**

Let us speak as God in the manner of the Lord, keeping to our word.

God's word is a promise for all to hear.

Hymn Blessed Assurance VU#337

**1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of the Spirit, washed in Christ's blood.**

**This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Saviour all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Saviour 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. R**

**3 Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Saviour am happy and blessed;
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with God's goodness, lost in Christ's love. R**

Opening Prayer

**God of heaven and earth, we long to understand the truth
of Your freedom. In this hour of worship, help us to grasp
the freedom that comes from seeing you more clearly,
loving you more dearly, and following you more closely.
Amen.**

Children come forward during the signing of this song

Children's Gathering Song

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands VSS 1,2,5
He's got the whole world in His hands
He's got the whole world in His hands
He's got the whole world in His hands
He's got the whole world in His hands

**He's got the little tiny baby in His hands
He's got the little tiny baby in His hands
He's got the little tiny baby in His hands
He's got the whole world in His hands**

**He's got ev'rybody here in His hands
He's got ev'rybody here in His hands
He's got ev'rybody here in His hands
He's got the whole world in His hands**

Ministry of Music “Soon and Very Soon” Choir

Prayer of Confession

Restore to us the delight of Your salvation, bind up that which is defeated, give light to our minds, depth to our wills, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us the words we need, and let Your word stand with us until it has infused in us Your holy will.

(Silence for private prayer)

Words of Assurance

Scripture readings:

Ecclesiastes 5:1-7 read by Regina Cote

Matthew 5:33-37 read by Rev. Shaw

Message

Hymn Standing On The Promises vss 1,3,5

**Standing on the promises of Christ my King,
Thro' eternal ages let His praises ring;
Glory in the highest I will shout and sing,
Standing on the promises of God.**

Chorus:

**Standing, standing,
Standing on the promises of God my Saviour;
Standing, standing,
I'm standing on the promises of God.**

**Standing on the promises I now can see.
Perfect, present cleansing in the blood for me;
Standing in the liberty where Christ makes free,
Standing on the promises of God.**

**Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
List'ning ev'ry moment to the Spirit's call,
Resting in my Saviour, as my all in all,
Standing on the promises of God.**

Invitation to Share Offering

***Offering Song In the Bleak Midwinter Vs4 VU#55**

**What can I give him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;
if I were a wise man, I would do my part;
yet what can I give him – give my heart.**

Offertory Prayer

Lord, Your word is true. Your promises are always kept. We show our appreciation for Your very nature, and we present our offering to You, that the fruit of our labour can birth fruit for the Spirit of Truth. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Offertory, Personal Prayers, Lord's Prayer Given to God

Hymn Jesus, Come to Our Hearts VU##324

- 1 Jesus, come to our hearts like falling rain;
 come to refresh, come to renew,
 wash all our sins away.**
- 2 Spirit, come to our hearts like rushing wind;
 come with your fire, come with your life,
 blow all our doubts away.**
- 3 Come, God, come to our hearts like shining sun;
 come to reveal, lighten your Word,
 drive all our gloom away.**
- 4 Glory be to the Lamb that once was slain;
 praise for his life, praise for his death,
 praise that he lives again.**
- 5 Praises be to our God, the three in one;
 praise for the sun, praise for the wind,
 praise for the falling rain.**

Benediction

God is truly the voice of truth. Let us all go out speaking in his truth, his way, his promise.

***Sung Benediction: Gloria VU#37**

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!

Glory to God, glory to God, hallelujah, hallelujah!

Postlude † † † † † † † † † † † † † † †

Prayers and sympathy are extended to Doug Hoyt and Family on the passing of his wife, Sheila on January 13th.

Bulletins today are to the Glory of God and In Loving Memory of John Eagles, placed by sister, Mary Allen.

Please join us in the church hall following the Service of Worship for Coffee & Conversation and for Birthday Sunday.

Monday: Mountain View UCW 1:30 p.m. Parlour

Tuesday: Bible Study 1:00 p.m. Parlour

Wednesday: Scrapbooking 9-11 a.m. Boardroom

If Church Service is cancelled due to the weather, call the office 506-857-4817, the phone message will let you know.

If you would like church envelopes, please print your name/address and phone number on the sheet on the table in the narthex.

Coffee and Conversation supplies are low so donations for sweets would be greatly appreciated.

The 2024 Tax receipts are printed and on the table in the Narthex.

Ecclesiastes 5:1-7

Guard your steps when you go to the house of God.
Go near to listen rather than to offer the sacrifice of fools,
who do not know that they do wrong.

Do not be quick with your mouth, do not be hasty in your
heart to utter anything before God.

God is in heaven and you are on earth, so let your words be
few.

A dream comes when there are many cares, and many words
mark the speech of a fool.

When you make a vow to God, do not delay to fulfill it.
He has no pleasure in fools; fulfill your vow.

It is better not to make a vow than to make one and not fulfill
it.

Do not let your mouth lead you into sin.

And do not protest to the temple messenger, “My vow was a
mistake.” Why should God be angry at what you say and
destroy the work of your hands?

Much dreaming and many words are meaningless.
Therefore fear God.

Matthew 5:33-37

“Again, you have heard that it was said to the people long ago, ‘Do not break your oath, but fulfill to the Lord the vows you have made.’

But I tell you, do not swear an oath at all: either by heaven, for it is God’s throne; or by the earth, for it is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the Great King.

And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make even one hair white or black.

All you need to say is simply ‘Yes’ or ‘No’; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.