

FEBRUARY 18, 2024

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Greeting One Another

Romans 15:13

*May the God of hope
fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him,
so that you may overflow with hope
by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

HYMN 343 ~ TELL ME THE STORY OF JESUS

Tell me the story of Jesus, write on my heart every word;
Tell me the story most precious,
Sweetest that ever was heard.
Tell how the angels in chorus
Sang as they welcomed His birth,
“Glory to God in the highest!
Peace and good tidings to earth.”

***Tell me the story of Jesus,
Write on my heart every word;
Tell me the story most precious,
Sweetest that ever was heard.***

Fasting alone in the desert, tell of the days that are past,
How for our sins He was tempted,
Yet was triumphant at last.
Tell of the years of His labor,
Tell of the sorrow He bore,
He was despised and afflicted,
Homeless, rejected and poor.

Tell of the cross where they nailed Him,
Writhing in anguish and pain;
Tell of the grave where they laid Him,
Tell how He liveth again.
Love in that story so tender
Clearer than ever I see:
Stay, let me weep while you whisper,
Love paid the ransom for me.

PRAYER

AH, LORD GOD

Ah, Lord God, Thou hast made the heavens
And the earth by Thy great power.
Ah, Lord God, Thou hast made the heavens
And the earth by Thine outstretched arm.

Nothing is too difficult for Thee.
Nothing is too difficult for Thee.
Great and mighty God,
Great in counsel and mighty in deed.
Nothing, nothing, absolutely nothing
Nothing is too difficult for Thee.

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HYMN 357 ~ HE'S EVERYTHING TO ME

In the stars His handiwork I see,
On the wind He speaks with majesty,
Though He ruleth over land and sea,
What is that to me?

I will celebrate Nativity
For it has a place in history,
Sure, He came to set His people free,
What is that to me?

Till by faith I met Him face to face,
And I felt the wonder of His grace,
Then I knew that He was more
Than just a God who didn't care,
Who lived away out there,
And now He walks beside me day by day,
Ever watching o'er me lest I stray,
Helping me to find that narrow way,
He's everything to me.

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HYMN 162 ~ WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

What a Friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Can we find a friend so faithful
Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge -
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do Thy friends despise, forsake Thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer;
In His arms He'll take and shield thee,
Thou wilt find a solace there.

Giving to the Lord

HYMN 139 ~ BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD (1-3)

Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew,
That I may love what Thou dost love,
And do what Thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure.
Until my will is one with Thine, to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly Thine.
Until this earthly part of me glows with Thy fire divine.

Prayer

LOOKING TO HEAVEN, TO LIVE VICTORIOUSLY, TODAY

Revelation 21:1-7 and Philippians 1:20-27

I. A VIEW WORTH REFLECTION ON (REVELATION 21:1-7)

II. OUR SALVATION WILL BE FULLY REALIZED (REVELATION 21:4-5)

III. A POWERFUL MOTIVATION FOR FAITHFULNESS (PHILIPPIANS 1:20-27)

HYMN 139 ~ BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD (4)

Breath on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die,
But live with Thee the perfect life
Of Thine eternity.

Announcements

Men's Fellowship: *February 21, 7:00 am*

Men's Fellowship meets on Wednesday mornings at the church in the Fellowship Hall. We meet at 7:00 a.m. and are continuing our discussion with Colossians 1:11.

Heavenly Heartbeats: *February 21, 5:30 pm*

Our women's Bible study will meet Wednesday evening, February 21, at 5:30 p.m. We are studying the attributes of God using Jerry Bridges book and Bible study *Trusting God*.

Praise Team Rehearsal: *February 21, 7:00 pm*

The Praise Team plans to rehearse this Wednesday evening.

Home Bible Study: *February 23, 5:30 pm*

The Home Bible Study will meet again on February 23 at 5:30 p.m. For the winter months we have decided to meet at the church. We are in Session 9 of "Conformed to His Image."

Diaper Shower: *February 25*

We are planning a Diaper Shower for Bill and Deb Riter's granddaughter, Amanda Knox. She delivered twins on February 3: a daughter, Claire Madeline (5 lbs. 15.4 oz.) and a son, Carson James (5 lbs. 12.1 oz). Please bring diapers to the church or money to Debra Tolson on February 25.

Peru Mission Trip: *June 23-30*

This year's Peru Missions Trip will be June 23-30 in Cusco and focuses on church planting. The estimated cost is \$3400 and is all-inclusive. Please see Pastor Tolson if you have an interest in helping with this ministry. Presently we have six to eight individuals that are interested.

Thank You

Thanks to Doug Trevithick for preaching this morning.

Offerings

Thank you so very much for your faithful giving. Offerings can be mailed to the church or given online at www.iechurch.org.