

Benediction

The Rev. Peter Larson

Postlude

Kyle Mazur

Awake Thou Wintry Earth Tom Birchwood

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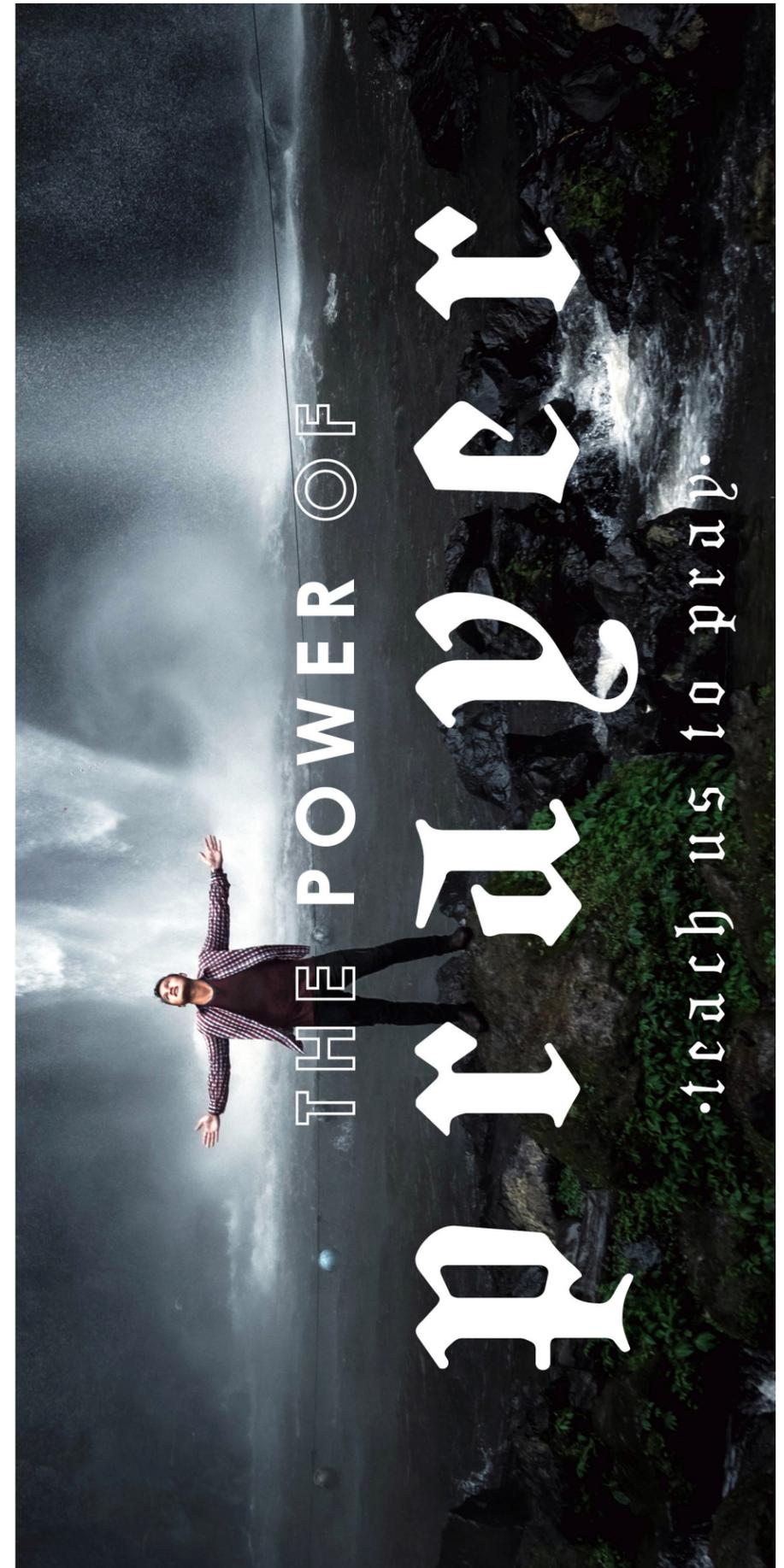
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Sunday, February 21, 2021

8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. Worship Service

WE GATHER

Welcome and Announcements The Rev. Peter Larson

Prelude Daniel Sachs
The Majesty and Glory of Your Name by Tom Fetteke

*Call to Worship (Psalm 77:1-6;11-14) The Rev. Peter Larson

Leader: I cried out to God for help; I cried out to God to hear me.

People: When I was in distress, I sought the Lord;
at night I stretched out untiring hands and
I would not be comforted.

Leader: I remembered you, God, and I groaned; I meditated and
my spirit grew faint.

People: You kept my eyes from closing; I was too troubled to
speak.

Leader: I remembered my songs in the night. My heart meditated
and my spirit asked: Will the Lord reject forever? Will
he never show his favor again? Has his unfailing love
vanished forever?

People: I will remember the deeds of the Lord. I will remember his
miracles of long ago.

Leader: Your ways, God, are holy. What god is as great as our
God?

All: You are the God who performs miracles; you display your
power among the peoples.

*Opening Hymn

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

I sing the mighty power of God
that made the mountains rise,
that spread the flowing seas abroad
and built the lofty skies.

I sing the wisdom that ordained
the sun to rule the day;
the moon shines full at God's command
and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord
that filled the earth with food;
he formed the creatures with his word
and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how your wonders are displayed
where'er I turn my eye,
if I survey the ground I tread
or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flower below
but makes your glories known,
and clouds arise and tempests blow
by order from your throne;
while all that borrows life from you
is ever in your care,
and everywhere that we can be,
you, God are present there.

WE PRAY

Prayer of Confession The Rev. John Morris

Gracious heavenly Father, by your mighty power you created the
universe. By your power, you turned the sea into dry land. By your
power, you demolished the walls of Jericho. By your power, you
made the sun stand still. By your power, you rescued Jonah from
the belly of the fish. By your power, you healed the sick, gave sight
to the blind and hearing to the deaf. By your power, you conquered
sin and death. And yet, we wonder if prayer really makes any
difference. Instead of praying, we worry. Instead of praying, we
doubt. Instead of praying, we trust in our own skill and strength.
Lord, forgive us for our doubt and disbelief. Teach us again, the
power of prayer. Teach us again to ask, seek and knock on the door
of heaven. Remind us again of your Word: "Not by might, nor by
power but by my Spirit, says the Lord Almighty." We pray in the
name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, AMEN.

Assurance of Pardon

* Response *Gloria Patri*
Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost
as it was in the beginning
is now and ever shall be
world without end. Amen! Amen!

Prayers of the People Cindy Jaynes

WE GIVE BACK TO GOD

Prayer of Dedication Chris Wismer 8:30
Mary Jo Oliver 10:00

Offertory Rachel and Daniel Sachs
My Faith Has Found a Resting Place arr. Mark Hayes

WE HEAR THE WORD

First Scripture Reading Andrew Johnson 8:30
Daniel Frank 10:00
Matthew 18:18-20; Mark 11:22-25

Matthew

¹⁸ "Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound
in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in
heaven. ¹⁹ "Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree
about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father
in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three gather in my name, there
am I with them."

Mark

²² "Have faith in God," Jesus answered. ²³ "Truly I tell you, if any-
one says to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and
does not doubt in their heart but believes that what they say will
happen, it will be done for them. ²⁴ Therefore I tell you, whatever
you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will
be yours. ²⁵ And when you stand praying, if you hold anything
against anyone, forgive them, so that your Father in heaven may
forgive you your sins."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*Hymn

Like a River Glorious

Like a river glorious is God's perfect peace,
over all victorious in its bright increase:
perfect, yet it floweth fuller every day,
perfect, yet it groweth deeper all the way.

Refrain

Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blest,
finding, as he promised, perfect peace and rest.

Hidden in the hollow of his blessed hand,
never foe can follow, never traitor stand:
not a surge of worry, not a shade of care,
not a blast of hurry touch the spirit there. (Refrain)

Every joy or trial falleth from above,
traced upon the dial by the Sun of Love;
we may trust him fully all for us to do;
those who trust him wholly find him wholly true. (Refrain)

Second Scripture Reading

Matthew 7:7-12

⁷ "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock
and the door will be opened to you. ⁸ For everyone who asks re-
ceives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the
door will be opened. ⁹ "Which of you, if your son asks for bread,
will give him a stone? ¹⁰ Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a
snake? ¹¹ If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give
good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in
heaven give good gifts to those who ask him! ¹² So in everything,
do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums
up the Law and the Prophets.

Sermon The Rev. Peter Larson
The Power of Prayer

WE GO OUT INTO THE WORLD

*Closing Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art--
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my Wisdom, and thou my true Word,
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
high King of heaven, my Treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.