

Second Sunday of Easter
Mountain Message – Jesus Preaches on the Mount
April 7 2024 – 10:30 am

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AS WE GATHER

Our Bible Reading of the Day is Matthew 6:25-34. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus reminds His listeners not to worry about things they cannot control. The birds of the air and the flowers of the field serve as examples of God’s continuing care for His creation. Likewise, we have no need for worry or anxiousness because God provides and cares for us.

OPENING PRAISE SONG: “Start A Fire” © Unspoken

Verse 1

This world can be cold and bitter Feels like we're in the dead of winter
Waiting on something better But am I really gonna hide forever?
Over and over again I hear Your voice in my head
Let Your light shine, let Your light shine for all to see

Chorus

Start a fire in my soul Fan the flame and make it grow
So there's no doubt or denying Let it burn so brightly
That everyone around can see

That it's You, that it's You that we need to start a fire in me

Verse 2

You only need a spark to start a whole blaze It only takes a little faith
Let it start right here in this city So these old walls will never be the same
Over and over again I hear Your voice in my head
They need to know I need to go
Spirit won't you fall on my heart now

Chorus

Start a fire in my soul Fan the flame and make it grow
So there's no doubt or denying Let it burn so brightly
That everyone around can see
That it's You, that it's You that we need to start a fire in me

You are the fire You are the flame You are the light on the darkest day
We have the hope, we bear Your name
We carry the news that You have come to save Only You can save

Chorus

Start a fire in my soul Fan the flame and make it grow
So there's no doubt or denying Let it burn so brightly
That everyone around can see
That it's You, that it's You that we need to start a fire in me

You are the fire You are the flame You are the light on the darkest day
Yeah, start a fire in me

WELCOME | ATTENDANCE | PRAYER CARDS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREET ONE ANOTHER

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Christ is Risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

PRAYER of CONFESSION

Pastor: Let us confess our sins known and unknown:

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained Servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

PRAISE SONG: “Give Me Jesus” Jeremy Camp

Verse 1

In the morning, when I rise In the morning, when I rise
In the morning, when I rise Just give me Jesus

Chorus

Give me Jesus. Give me Jesus,
You can have all this world, Just give me Jesus.

Verse 2

When I am alone, Oh when I am alone,
Oh when I am alone, Just give me Jesus.

Chorus

Give me Jesus. Give me Jesus,
You can have all this world, Just give me Jesus.

Verse 3

When I come to die, Oh when I come to die,
Oh when I come to die, Just give me Jesus.

End Chorus

Give me Jesus Give me Jesus
You can have all this world, You can have all this world,
You can have all this world, Just give me Jesus.

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Reading of the Day: Matthew 6:25-34

“Therefore, I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life? “And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore, do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

Here ends the reading.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

MESSAGE

APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING | TREASURE BOX

SPECIAL MUSIC: "First Things First"

Caleb Ward/Grant Bias/Jake Hess/Jordan David Ward

HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR RECOGNITION

Cole Boden
Michael Davis
Faith Fiechtner
Ellie Huber
Carter Schuster
Michael Sipes

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: "All the People Said Amen" Matt Maher

Verse 1

You are not alone, if you are lonely
When you feel afraid, you're not the only
We are all the same, in need of mercy
To be forgiven and be free

It's all you got to lean on but thank God it's all you need

Chorus

And all the people said Amen, woah
And all the people said Amen
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends
And all the people said Amen

Verse 2

If you're rich or poor, well it don't matter
Weak or strong, you know love is what we're after
We're all broken, but we're all in this together
God knows we stumble and we fall

And He so loved the world, He sent His son to save us all

Chorus

And all the people said Amen, woah
And all the people said Amen
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends
And all the people said Amen

Bridge

Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart
Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart
Blessed are the people hungry for another start
For theirs is the kingdom, the kingdom of God

Chorus

And all the people said Amen, woah
And all the people said Amen
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends
And all the people said Amen

End Chorus

And all the people said Amen, woah
And all the people said Amen
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends
And all the people said Amen
And all the people said Amen

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All: and serving Jesus Christ by serving others!