

## WELCOME

This morning as we join in worship, our hope for you is that you will find renewed life, health and strength in God. We are glad that you have heard God's call to come and worship, and that you have chosen to do so with this congregation. If you do not have a church home in this area, we invite you to join with us as we seek to serve Christ and live as His disciples. You may be received into church membership by profession of faith, letter of transfer, or reaffirmation of faith. If you are interested in uniting with this church, please contact the church office or any elder.

### Session Members

Nancy Mason - '20 - Worship  
Matt Shick - '20 - Stewardship  
John Hehn - '21 - Facilities  
Bob Friskney - '22 - Fellowship  
Deborah Thatcher - '22- Mission

Cindy Doyle - '20 - Christian Ed.  
Carina Brushwood - '21 - Cong. Care  
Patty MacEwen - '21 - Administration  
Carol Shick - '22 - Worship  
Cammie Williams - Clerk of Session

### Our Mission Statement

To provide opportunities for people to  
discover God's love,  
seek God's purpose,  
and do God's will.

### Our Vision Statement

Glorifying God with  
mind, body, and soul.

Pastor: The Rev. Loli Reiter  
Ministers: The Congregation

*"But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation,  
God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts  
of him who called you out of darkness into  
his marvelous light." 1 Peter 2:9*

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Worship Leader: TJ Childs  
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**19th Sunday of Ordinary Time  
August 9, 2020, 11:00 A.M.**

"Brethren, We Have Come to Worship"

"Greater"

**Bring your tired and bring your shame  
Bring your guilt and bring your pain  
Don't you know that's not your name  
You will always be much more to me**

**Every day I wrestle with he voices  
That keep telling me I'm not right  
But that's alright**

**'Cause I hear a voice and He calls me redeemed  
When others say I'll never be enough  
And greater is the One living inside of me  
Than he who is living in the world  
In the world in the world**

**Bring your doubts and bring your fears  
Bring your hurt and bring your tears  
There'll be no condemnation here  
You are holy righteous and redeemed**

**Every time I fall  
There'll be those who will call me a mistake  
Well that's ok**

**There'll be days I lose the battle  
Grace says that it doesn't matter  
'Cause the cross already won the war  
I am learning to run freely  
Understanding just how He sees me  
And it makes me love Him more and more**

**"Leaning On The Everlasting Arms"  
Leaning, Leaning  
Safe and secure from all alarms  
Leaning, Leaning  
Leaning on the everlasting arms**

**What a fellowship what a joy divine  
Leaning on the everlasting arms  
What a blessedness what a peace is mine  
Leaning on the everlasting arms**

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way  
Leaning on the everlasting arms  
O how bright the path grows from day to day  
Leaning on the everlasting arms

What have I to dread what have I to fear  
Leaning on the everlasting arms  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near  
Leaning on the everlasting arms

#### WELCOME AND PRAYER

“I Saw the Light”  
I wandered so aimless life filled with sin  
I wouldn't let my dear Savior in  
Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night  
Praise the Lord I saw the light

I saw the light I saw the light  
No more in darkness no more in night  
Now I'm so happy no sorrow in sight  
Praise the Lord I saw the light

Just like a blind man I wandered along  
Worries and fears I claimed for my own  
Then like the blind man that God gave back his sight  
Praise the Lord I saw the light

I was a fool to wander and stray  
Straight is the gate and narrow the way  
Now I have traded the wrong for the right  
Praise the Lord I saw the light

When death takes me down and I breath here no more  
Mu anthem will sound on the eternal shore  
When I join with the angels in heaven on high  
Singing “Praise the Lord, I saw the light”  
Let it shine on me

“Because He Lives”  
God sent His Son they called Him Jesus  
He came to love heal and forgive  
He bled and died to buy my pardon  
An empty grave is there to prove  
My Savior lives

Because He lives I face tomorrow  
Because He lives all fear is gone

**Because I know He holds the future  
And life is worth the living  
Just because He lives**

**And then one day I'll cross that river  
I'll fight life's final war with pain  
And then as death gives way to vict'ry  
I'll see the lights of glory  
And I'll know He reigns**

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious God, our anxiety is turning into anger, and that anger is spilling over into our world. Our words and our actions are witnesses to the hardness of our hearts, as we envy the blessings of others; wish ill upon those who think differently; and carelessly forward and type messages of hatred. Forgive us, Lord. Help us to live as people who are loved and cared for by You, The Creator of all creation, The God of the heavenly hosts.  
In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.**

#### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

**SPECIAL MUSIC  
"Multiplied"**

#### CHILDREN'S TIME

**SCRIPTURE READING - Genesis 37**

#### SERMON

*"This is the story of the family of Jacob...and they took Joseph to Egypt."*

**"I'll Fly Away"  
Some glad morning when this life is over  
I'll fly away  
To a home on God's celestial shore  
I'll fly away**

**I'll fly away O glory I'll fly away  
When I die hallelujah by and by  
I'll fly away**

**When the shadows of this life have grown  
I'll fly away  
Like a bird from prison bars has flown  
I'll fly away**

**Just a few more weary days and then**

**I'll fly away  
To a land where joys shall never end  
I'll fly away**

Offering - "Thanksgiving for Living in the Sunshine State"

**DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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. Amen.**

**"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 hear  
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 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**

**BENEDICTION**

**"Forever Young"  
May God bless and keep you always,**

**May your wishes all come true,  
May you always do for others  
And let others do for you.  
May you build a ladder to the stars  
And climb on every rung,  
May you stay forever young.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **VOLUNTEERS IN SERVICE THIS WEEK**

Temple Keeper: Mark Williams (on or before 8/15)

**CHURCH ACTIVITIES** The office is PHYSICALLY closed as we continue to be a part of the effort of keeping our congregation and community safe. Kara will continue to be available by telephone and email during regular church hours (Mon.- Thurs., 9:00am to 2:00pm), and the mail will continue to be picked up regularly. If there is a need, don't hesitate to contact us. Meals on Wheels will continue to prepare food on Wednesdays, but we encourage all other groups to refrain from gathering until further notice. Please continue to pray and know you are being prayed for. God bless!

**AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE** Beth-el is in need of **volunteers** to sort food and make up bags of food on Mondays and Wednesday. They also need help distributing the food bags on Tuesdays. This is a great opportunity for Youth to get service hours! If you are interested, please contact Deb Thatcher at 813-240-1751 and leave a message.

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE MINISTRIES OF OUR CHURCH!** We are so grateful for your faithful giving! You can continue to give through the mail; by setting up "Bill Pay" with your bank; and now you can make a secure gift on our website. May God continue to bless you, as you continue to be a blessing to others!

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ZOOM SUNDAY SCHOOL CONTINUE** - Join us for Children's Zoom Sunday school - say "Hi!" To your friends, have fun with games, and learn more about being a child of God!

**UPDATE FROM MISSIONS** - A Basket Raffle for Family Promise is planned for Sunday Aug. 30th. More details to come!

We are **NOT** collecting for a yard sale, so please **DO NOT BRING** items to the church, we do not have room to store things. We hope to have a yard sale for Meals on Wheels the beginning of 2021.

**EGG CARTON COLLECTION** is an ongoing ministry. The cartons are taken to E.C.H.O. to be used for distribution of eggs to families when picking up food. Currently the cartons may be left on any of the benches around the court yard at the church. Upon returning to the church, a plastic silver container is available for collection, inside the front entry to the fellowship hall.

**BLESSING BAGS** - We continue to help homeless people, in need of basic essentials in our community, by providing blessing bags. If you would like to pick up a blessing bag to have when out in your daily travels, there are some available on the benches around the court yard.

**NEWSLETTER ITEMS DUE August 15th!** Please send your articles, notes, announcements, etc. to [kara@seffnerpres.org](mailto:kara@seffnerpres.org)

**PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION - August 16th** we celebrate communion. Since we continue to worship virtually, we will ask that on that Sunday, you **please have bread or crackers and juice ready for worship.**

**CONGREGATIONAL ZOOM MEETING - Sunday, August 23, 2020, 12:30 pm**, there will be a Congregational Meeting for the purpose of presenting the slate of Elder nominees for the Class of 2023 and slate of Officer Nominating Committee for 2021. This will be our first Congregational Meeting on Zoom. If you need help with getting on Zoom, **PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE.** We want as many members included as possible. The slate is as follows:

**Slate of Elders for Class of 2023**

Facilities – Jay Heidt  
Stewardship & Finance – Carol Dolphin  
Christian Education – Melissa Triebwasser

**Slate of Congregation Members of 2021  
Officers Nominating Committee**

Ed Holzman  
Christina Boyd  
Dewey Walklin

**Youth Elder for 1 year 2021**

Isabel Reiter

**5TH SUNDAY DRIVE-UP LUNCHEON AND BLOOD DRIVE** - We invite you to another **Drive-up Luncheon and Blood Drive, August 30.** Menu for the luncheon is Cuban sandwich served with Columbia Restaurant's 1905 salad, plantain chips and dessert. As with the June luncheon we ask that you please email or call your **reservation by August 26th**, so we may have an accurate count for meals ([kara@seffnerpres.org](mailto:kara@seffnerpres.org)). **Lunch pick up will be 12:00 —1:30 pm.** As before, you will need to make reservations for the blood drive as well. The **Blood Mobile will be here 8:30 am to 1:30 pm**, for your convenience

## OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

### **Sunday, August 9, 2020**

11:00 am Worship Service Online Live  
12:30 pm Zoom Sunday School

### **Wednesday, August 12, 2020**

8:30 am Meals on Wheels

### **Sunday, August 16, 2020**

11:00 am Worship Service Online Live with Communion  
12:30 pm Zoom Sunday School

## A HOPEFUL LOOK AHEAD

August 9 - Sunday Worship Online Live, Zoom Sunday School  
12 - Meals on Wheels  
16 - Sunday Worship Online Live with Communion, Zoom Sunday School  
19 - Meals on Wheels  
23 - Sunday Worship Online Live, Zoom Congregational Meeting  
26 - Meals on Wheels  
27 - Presbytery Zoom Meeting  
30 - Sunday Worship Online Live, Zoom Sunday School  
Drive-up Luncheon and Blood Drive

## PRAISES and CONCERNS

### Pray at all times in the Spirit...Ephesians 6:18a

Our ministry is to pray for our members who are hospitalized, ill, home bound, attending college, and in the military; and to also encourage others to send cards, make a phone call or visit if possible. If you do not have a directory or need an address not listed, please contact the church office, we will be happy to help.

Rob Bargo	Robert Lavazza	Bill Worth	George Kosan
Susan Kriska	Tammy Wooster	Terry Cooney	Bob Stetler
Jim Barfield	Bonnie & John Taylor	Charles Brandt	Joy Lavazza

**Healthcare Workers:** Mazen Al-Alawi, Waleska Alvarado, Jenny Carswell, Lexi Crawford, Allie Abrams Downey, Maggie Hehn, Patricia Hudson, Cheryl High Sawyer, Joelle Vlahakis

**College:** Kai Abe, Elizabeth Banks, Michaela Brushwood, Danh Cooney, Michael Hawkins, Christian Jaimungal, Rachel Kosan, Peter Lapham, Amber Todd, Jenny Todd

**Military:** Jeff Mason Jr., Diego Rincon, Justin Ernul, Wyatt Harris, Michael Paynter, Sherryn Ramkarran, Aaron Sampson