



Worship at Berkeley Friends Church
May 23, 2021 11:00 AM – 12:15 PM



Presider - John Maurer

Meditation

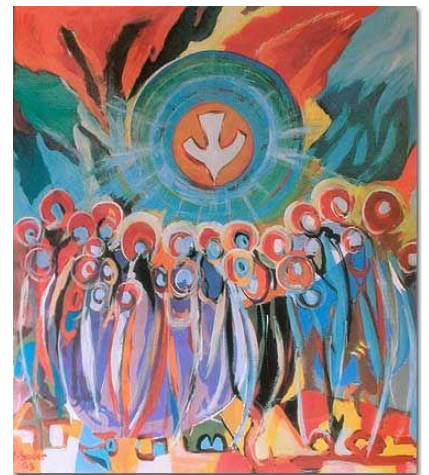
Prayer

Hymn - Canticle Of The Turning

My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the
God of my heart is great, And my spirit sings of the
Wondrous things that you bring to the ones who wait. You
Fixed your sight on your servant's plight, and my
Weakness you did not spurn, So from east to west shall my
Name be blest. Could the world be about to turn?
My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the
Fires of your justice burn. Wipe away all tears, for the
Dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn!

Though I am small, my God, my all, you
Work great things in me, And your mercy will last from the
Depths of the past to the end of the age to be. Your
Very name puts the proud to shame, and to
Those who would for you yearn, You will show your might, put the
Strong to flight, for the world is about to turn.
My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the
Fires of your justice burn. Wipe away all tears, for the
Dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn!

From the halls of power to the fortress tower, not a
Stone will be left on stone. Let the king beware for your
Justice tears ev'ry tyrant from his throne. The
Hungry poor shall weep no more, for the
Food they can never earn; There are tables spread, ev'ry
Mouth be fed, for the world is about to turn.
My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the
Fires of your justice burn. Wipe away all tears, for the
Dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn!



Though the nations rage from age to age, we remember
Who holds us fast: God's mercy must deliver
Us from the conqueror's crushing grasp. This
Saving word that our forebears heard is the
Promise which holds us bound, 'Til the spear and rod can be
Crushed by God, who is turning the world around.
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Praises & Petitions

Scripture - Acts 2:1-40

Message - "Brothers, what shall we do?" - Micah Bales

Open Worship

Christ is ministering to us in the silence. Nothing needs to be said, unless there is a clear leading to speak. After a period of centering down, if you feel a leading to speak, please be obedient to it: Speak clearly, loudly, and succinctly. Allow time for a message to settle before another message is offered.

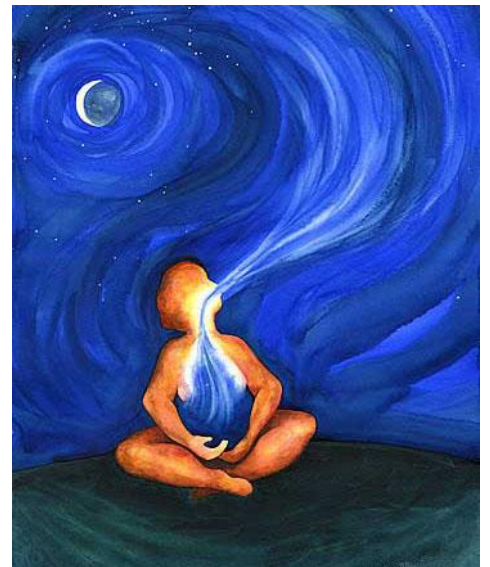
Hymn - Breath On My Breath Of God

Breathe on me, breath of God,
Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what Thou dost love,

Breathe on me, breath of God,
Until my heart is pure,
Until with Thee I will one will,
To do and to endure.

Breathe on me, breath of God,
Blend all my soul with Thine,
Until this earthly part of me
Glows with Thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, breath of God,



So shall I never die,
But live with Thee the perfect life
Of Thine eternity.

Welcome – Announcements- Offering

God is the Great Giver and has given much to us. The contributions you make are vital to the life of the meeting. Please consider offerings through mail (mark envelope - Attn: Asst. Treasurer) or the Donate Now button on the church's website.

Welcome

We are a welcoming and inclusive congregation. We trust that your heart may be warmed by the Lord's Presence as we worship together. If you have prayer needs or spiritual concerns, please call or email the pastors, Micah Bales and Faith Kelley, or any member of Ministry and Council.

Church Announcements

Sermon by Phone - Listen to the sermon each week on the website or our sermon by phone service. To listen to the sermon on your phone, **call 510-201-9143** at any time to hear each week's message. New sermons are uploaded on Sunday afternoons.

Bible Study starts 7:30 PM on Tuesdays via Zoom. We are discussing David Johnson's book, "Jesus, Christ and Servant of God: Meditations on the Gospel According to John." You do not need to have read or have a copy of the book available as we read a discussion and then discuss.

On Tuesday June 1 at 7:30 pm Bible Study will be starting a discussion of the book Jesus and Nonviolence by Walter Wink. In this book Wink argues that Christian tradition of nonviolence is needed as an alternative to the dominant and death-dealing powers of our consumerist culture and fractured world. While you can join Bible Study any time, the start of a new book is a great time to start attending.

FCNL's next online Quaker Changemaker event: "Quakers Working in the Legislature." will be May 26, 6:30-7:30 PM EDT and will focus on how Friends working in legislatures navigate their professional responsibilities while holding a Quaker faith identity. Speakers will share what it's like to be a Quaker holding this kind of role and the opportunities available for people who want to work in the legislative policy arena. Speakers: Alicia McBride (Sandy Spring MM), Kate Gould (FMW), and Erinn Camp Mansour (Sandy Spring MM). [Click here for more information.](#)

Barclay Press and **Pendle Hill** are collaborating on the *Illuminate* Summer Speaker Series, 2nd and 4th Mondays, June 14 to August 23, 7:30–9 p.m. ET via Zoom. Join us for a series of evening discussions with authors of the Barclay Press *Illuminate* Friends Bible study summer curriculum on Ephesians, Philippians, and Colossians. [Click here for more information.](#)

We are "Seeking Peace Around the World!" Each summer at First Friends Church in Whittier, California we organize **Peace Camp for the children (1st to 8th grade)** of our Meeting and also invite friends from our community. This summer we are hoping to broaden our scope to include Quaker Friends from around the world.

Because of the pandemic, our camp will gather virtually so this provides us with an opportunity that we've never had before. We hope to inspire children near and far to join us for a week of sharing and fun! Ideas for connecting with others are just in the beginning stages but we decided to reach out to you and your families and inquire if you would be interested in coordinating with us in this endeavor.

Peace Camp will take place beginning on Monday, July 19, 2021 and close on Friday, July 23rd. Daily, virtual meet up will commence at 10:00 a.m. and close at 11:30 a.m. (PST). Our camp directors, myself and Candice Ryder, will be prepared with a series of activities to engage the children in reflecting, seeking and sharing peace in the world around us.

Please consider joining with us in this journey! If you, or someone from your Meeting is interested in attending we would love to hear from you. Your responses will help us to continue our planning and generate our invitations. If this does not seem like something your own children from your meeting would be able to take part in, perhaps you can help us with a short video sharing what Peace means to your community.

Thank you for your prompt reply,
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Keep up with BFC throughout the week. Join the announcement listserv by emailing Faith at pastor@berkeleyfriendschurch.org and follow us on Facebook.

Praises and Petitions of Berkeley Friends Church May 23, 2021

- We **thank you for the gift of the Comforter**, the Holy Spirit who guides and leads us. May we be attentive to her leading and guidance within our hearts and in our community.
- We pray for **loved ones** in our circles of care: All those diagnosed with, suffering from, or recovering from serious illnesses including **Liz's classmate Allie, Joe Williams, Dianna's friend Sebastian, Robbie Williams, Marilyn's friend Bruce, Faith's cousin Vicki, Veneita Porter, Donna Bales, Jayne's relative Quincy and Stanley Chagala Ngesa.**
- We ask for God's presence with **Friends not able to be with us: Charles Blue and Janice Wells.**
- **We pray for all those who are sick with Covid.** May they get the care they need. May their symptoms be mild and pass quickly. Protect all those whose work makes them risk infection- doctors, nurses and other medical personnel, bus drivers, grocery store workers and daycare workers. Particularly bring support and supplies to those places in the world where the virus is running rampant. Slow the spread.
- We are grateful that **Donna Bales** has gotten good care and encouraging news from her trip at Mayo. May her doctors and her continue to see new possible treatment options. Help them to make decisions on how to move forward together and may the treatment work.

- We offer prayers of joy for a successful procedure, and prayers for healing and full recovery for **Ted Marshburn** from Whittier First Friends Church, who will hopefully be able to go home from the hospital soon.
- We pray for **Lynn, Faith K.'s sister-in-law's mom**, who is sick with Covid-caused pneumonia. May she get good care and not get sicker. May she recover quickly.
- We pray for **an end to the hate and violence directed at Asian American Pacific Islander community**. Protect those of us who are AAPI. Help us to feel safe and supported. May we all work to dismantle the structures and roots of prejudice and hate.
- We ask for **direction and wisdom as we consider how and when to begin meeting in person again**. Show us how we are called to be a community and serve our neighbors. Give us patience and understanding as we seek to listen to you and to each other. Guide us.
- Holy One, **ignite within us a fiery passion for your mission in the world today**. Warm us by the Spirit's dancing tongues of flame, that we may feel your kindling blaze within, urging us to do your greater good. Make us wholly present to experience a new birth, and awaken possibilities within us to share your love in the world. In this love and abundance, we come to celebrate your harvest— a harvest bearing the first fruits of the Spirit within us. Show us how to use these gifts, as we listen for your truth in the gentle breeze of your Spirit.

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