



IT IS WELL

“What you believe, you obey.”

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APPROACHED TO GOD

Before the service, meditate and speak to God. During the service let God speak to you. After the service talk to each other and the wider community about God.

KEYS

Words printed in **ALL caps & bold** are spoken or sung by everyone. **At places marked †, you are invited to stand, as you are able.**

Functionaries

On Piano

Leona Harrison

Singers

Penny Kirk

Franklyn James

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Lorraine Powell

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

Order of Worship

Welcome & Notices

Candle Lighting Ceremony



As I light this candle, it is a reminder that God is with us even when we don't feel it

I light this candle in solidarity and empathy with all those who are impacted by interruption, chaos and uncertainties in our world today.

The light of this candle is a reminder, that you O God will keep our lamps of hope burning; and will turn our darkness into light.

Each time we see light, may we remain faithful to God and affirm our Hope in God and humanity.

OPENING HYMN[†]

- **Come Holy Spirit More Voices #208**

OPENING PRAYER

Holy God,

We thank you for drawing us together virtually and for interrupting us with your gift of life in Christ. Whether we have heard the Gospel message many times before, or are this day listening with new ears.

Surprise us with your justice and righteousness, so that there will be peace among us;

Startle us with your goodness and mercy, that we might experience your empowering love and forgiveness;

Stagger us with your healing and peace, as the world faces chaos, challenges and opportunities being presented by the virus, Covid-19.

Sway us with your hope and patience that our eyes will remain wide open as we dream, wondering what you will be doing this week in our world and in us. This we pray in Christ name. **Amen.**

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

▪ Scripture Reading: 2 Kings 4:8-38

*Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people of God today!
All: Thanks be to God.*

CONVERSATION TIME: Rev. Franklyn James

Hymn: It is well with my soul

PREPARATION FOR PRAYER & PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

One: God of all times and seasons
from the chaos of creation
to the begotten of your people through Christ,
you have been a strength to those who suffer
and a comfort to those who grieve.

ALL: LISTEN TO OUR PRAYERS AND IN YOUR MERCY ANSWER.

One: All-Knowing God,
you see our every action.
Pull us out of despair with your **genii** of goodness and grace.
Amid the pandemonium caused
by the Coronavirus, Covid-19,
surround those who have been shaken

by this tragedy with a sense of your presence
and hold them in faith.

Though they and us may be disturbed,
may we find comfort and strength in you to say,
“It Is Well.”

ALL: LISTEN TO OUR PRAYERS AND IN YOUR MERCY ANSWER.

One: As the infection spread so does fear.
Grant courage, wisdom and strength
to those in our community and around the world
as they respond to this crisis: -
From those who clean our streets
and accommodate all our needs
for essential items and services...
... to the Government Officials,
Health Care Professionals and Policy Makers.
May they rightly discern what needs
to be said done to treat those infected
and formulate preventative plans.

ALL: LISTEN TO OUR PRAYERS AND IN YOUR MERCY ANSWER

One: To everyone in isolation and distress,
grant mercy, grant relief, grant a refreshing.

ALL: LISTEN TO OUR PRAYERS AND IN YOUR MERCY ANSWER

One: Holy One, in this season of our lives,
we look not only look outward but also inward,
searching for that which will make us more able
to look with compassion at the needs around us.
As we offer this prayer we pray together:

*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,
for ever and ever. Amen.*

Final Hymn:

- **Stay with us through the night Voices United #182**

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COMMISSION & BLESSING[†]

One: You have heard and is already blessed.
Now you are the blessing of Christ to the world.
There is no other word you need to here than these;
Go now in the love of God,
Peace that comes with the Holy Spirit
And resurrecting power that comes from Christ
And make a difference in the world. **Amen**

PASSING THE PEACE

RESPONSE: Go Now in peace, never be afraid[†]

Go now in PEACE, never be afraid
God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day,
Go now in FAITH, steadfast, strong and true,
Know God will Guide you in all you do.
Go now in LOVE, and show you believe,
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in PEACE, in FAITH, and in LOVE.
Amen, Amen, Amen.



Announcements & Credits

Thank you to all who participated in today's worship, I pray you have been greatly bless

Remember, for those we are unable to connect with any reason; call to buoy up their spirits, and/or pray for them and entrust them to the care of the divine.

Due to physical distancing caused by the Corona Virus, COVID 19, all church activities that requires physical contact are suspended until further notice.

Those of you who are on PAR, and those who mailed in the gifts and offerings thank you. You can also e-transfer your gift and offerings to zionunitedarmstrongbc@gmail.com

We are always happy to hear your comments and queries. If you have prayer request you may use the messenger tab here or email them to standrewsenderby@hotmail.com

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Hymn: It is well with my soul

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