

UPTOWN CHURCH

Worship Guide

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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Welcome & Announcements

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Call to Worship

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A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

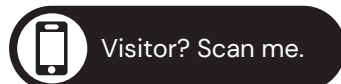
F. Hedge | M. Luther

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing
Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe
His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate
On earth is not his equal

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing
Were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He
Lord Sabbaoth His name, from age to age the same
And He must win the battle

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us
The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him
His rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure
One little word shall fell him

That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also
The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still
His kingdom is forever



Whole Heart

J. R. Langdon | L. Jordan | N. T. Leonhardt

When I am broken, when I'm afraid
When I don't have it together, when I lose my way
There is a place where I can go, where I am safe, where I am home

chorus 1

*I can trust You with my whole heart, trust You with my whole heart
With my whole heart*

You know my story, You've always been
My true companion, my Faithful friend
There's not a moment of my life, I live without You by my side

chorus 2

*I can trust You with my whole heart, trust You with my whole heart
With my whole heart
I will love You with my whole heart, love You with my whole heart
With my whole heart*

Let every anxious part of me, and every fearful thought in me
Be set free set free, in Your peace Your peace

Let every shackle on me break, and every shadow fall away
I'm set free set free, in Your peace Your peace

chorus 2

I'm not holding anything back, I'm not holding anything back
I'm not holding anything back from You

chorus 3

*I will love You with my whole heart, love You with my whole heart
With my whole heart*

Confession of Sin

Scripture Reading

2 Corinthians 4:7-18

⁷But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. ⁸We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. ¹¹For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. ¹²So death is at work in us, but life in you.

¹³Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, ¹⁴knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

Leader: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Missions Moment

Julio and Olga Chiang
Lima Initiative

The Giving of Tithes & Offerings



Giving? Scan me.



Song of Preparation

Hosea

S. Barnard

Come let us return He has torn us into pieces, He has injured us
Come let us return to the Lord
He will heal us He will bandage our wounds
In just a short time He'll restore us, in just a short time He'll restore His church
So we, we might live, we might live in His presence
In His presence

chorus

*Oh that we might know the Lord
Oh that we might know the Lord
Oh that we might know the Lord
Let us press on to know Him, Let us press hard into Him
Then as surely as the coming of the dawn
He will respond, He will respond*

He will respond, He will respond

*Children Pre-K up to 2nd grade are dismissed for Children's Church. Pre-K and K come to the front doors on your left and 1st and 2nd graders to the front doors on your right. Parents, if you have **not** already checked your children in for Children's Church, please take them now to the greeter cart downstairs to do so.*

The Pastoral Prayer

David Butts, *Elder*

The Sermon

Rev. Jordan Olshefski

“Wrestling with God”
Genesis 32:1-12, 22-32, 33:1-4

Song of Response

No Longer Slaves

J. D. Helser | M. Helser

You unravel me, with a melody, You surround me with a song
Of deliverance, from my enemies, till all my fears are gone

chorus

I'm no longer a slave to fear, I am a child of God

I'm no longer a slave to fear, I am a child of God

From my Mother's womb, You have chosen me, love has called my name
I've been born again, into Your family, Your blood flows through my veins

chorus

I am surrounded by the arms of the Father
I am surrounded by songs of deliverance
We've been liberated from our bondage
We're the sons and the daughters, let us sing our freedom

You split the sea so I could walk right through it
My fears are drowned in perfect love
You rescued me and I will stand and sing, I am a child of God

I am a child of God, I am a child of God, I am a child of God

Benediction

Rev. Jordan Olshefski

Notes

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Want to connect?

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Looking for Community?

Life Groups are always open.



Musicians

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