

The Guideline of Worship Service At Home

- **Let us pray in silence for our worship service at home.**
 - **Let us join in opening hymn #2002, I will Call Upon the Lord.**
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vPsK9UiBFJI>

- **Prayer of Worship Service:**

Let us pray

Loving God, thank you for giving us this beautiful spring weather. Thank you for guiding and protecting our homes, our churches, and our nation in the arms of the Lord in the midst of this crisis. Because of the Coronavirus-19, we are forced to have worship service at home for three weeks starting today. You said that the Lord would be with us where two or three people are gathered. Help us feel your presence through this service today. May your grace fill all of God's people.

We pray especially for those suffering from coronavirus. Give them the true comfort and peace of the Lord and heal them with Your powerful hands. Protect the United States from spreading the coronavirus. Let all families be free from the coronavirus and the true peace of the Lord be with us all.

Merciful God, there are people who are still fighting many sicknesses today. Please clean and heal them by having them touch the blood of the clean cross. In the midst of sickness, let us be saints of faith who walk with you and hear your voice. Keep our homes with the grace of the Lord.

We want to entrust all of today's worship to the Lord. Also, keep all of the United Methodist churches and church members worshipping and make them truly true.

May God's grace and blessings be full of all those who worship you and make them the enlightenment of God's word and a time of grace.

We pray in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray together saying.

- **Scripture Reading: Exodus 17:1-7 and John 4:5-26, 39-42**

Exodus 17:1-7

¹The whole Israelite community set out from the Desert of Sin, traveling from place to place as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²So they quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink."

Moses replied, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you put the Lord to the test?"

³But the people were thirsty for water there, and they grumbled against Moses. They said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to make us and our children and livestock die of thirst?"

⁴Then Moses cried out to the Lord, "What am I to do with these people? They are almost ready to stone me."

⁵The Lord answered Moses, "Go out in front of the people. Take with you some of the elders of Israel and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶I will stand there before you by the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it for the people to drink." So Moses did this in the sight of the elders

of Israel. ⁷And he called the place Massah and Meribah because the Israelites quarreled and because they tested the Lord saying, “Is the Lord among us or not?”

John 4:5-26, 39-42

⁵So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶Jacob’s well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon.

⁷When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, “Will you give me a drink?” ⁸(His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.)

⁹The Samaritan woman said to him, “You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?” (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.)

¹⁰Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water.”

¹¹“Sir,” the woman said, “you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? ¹²Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did also his sons and his livestock?”

¹³Jesus answered, “Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”

¹⁵The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water so that I won’t get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water.”

¹⁶He told her, “Go, call your husband and come back.”

¹⁷“I have no husband,” she replied.

Jesus said to her, “You are right when you say you have no husband. ¹⁸The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true.”

¹⁹“Sir,” the woman said, “I can see that you are a prophet. ²⁰Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem.”

²¹“Woman,” Jesus replied, “believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²²You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. ²⁴God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.”

²⁵The woman said, “I know that Messiah” (called Christ) “is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us.”

²⁶Then Jesus declared, “I, the one speaking to you—I am he.”

³⁹Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me everything I ever did.” ⁴⁰So when the Samaritans came to him, they urged him to stay with them, and he stayed two days. ⁴¹And because of his words many more became believers.

⁴²They said to the woman, “We no longer believe just because of what you said; now we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this man really is the Savior of the world.”

- **Offering: online on church website or mail to Becca Gorski (financial secretary)** Her Address is 312 E. Adrian Street Blissfield, MI 4922

- **Offering Prayer:**

Giving and loving God, we lift these tithes and our gifts up to you, asking your blessing upon that which we have given. Bless God's people who offered and bless this offering. Help us give our minds as well as our bodies to your service until the end so that others might experience your love and come to know Jesus Christ as their Savior.

Use them to teach us to love our neighbors as if they were ourselves. Use them to awaken us to the needs of those around us. Grant us the generosity which comes as we put on the Lord Jesus Christ and give us your joy as we draw closer to our final salvation. We pray in Jesus name. Amen.

- **Scripture Lesson 1 Samuel 18:6-16**

⁶When the men were returning home after David had killed the Philistine, the women came out from all the towns of Israel to meet King Saul with singing and dancing, with joyful songs and with timbrels and lyres. ⁷As they danced, they sang: "Saul has slain his thousands, and David his tens of thousands."

⁸Saul was very angry; this refrain displeased him greatly. "They have credited David with tens of thousands," he thought, "but me with only thousands. What more can he get but the kingdom?" ⁹And from that time on Saul kept a close eye on David.

¹⁰The next day an evil spirit from God came forcefully on Saul. He was prophesying in his house, while David was playing the lyre, as he usually did. Saul had a spear in his hand ¹¹and he hurled it, saying to himself, "I'll pin David to the wall." But David eluded him twice.

¹²Saul was afraid of David, because the Lord was with David but had departed from Saul. ¹³So he sent David away from him and gave him command over a thousand men, and David led the troops in their campaigns. ¹⁴In everything he did he had great success, because the Lord was with him. ¹⁵When Saul saw how successful he was, he was afraid of him. ¹⁶But all Israel and Judah loved David, because he led them in their campaigns.

Read the manuscript of the sermon or listen to the sermon from the church website.

- **Let us join in Closing hymn #117, O God, Our Help in Ages Past.**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N-hN740J6qA>

- **Benediction:**

We end this service, bearing God's love to others, that everyone might experience the joy, hope, courage and gifts of God from our home church. Overcome this crisis of coronavirus with God's grace and love.

Go into the world to love and to serve God and our neighbors.

Now and forever, Amen