## **BETHANY BIBLE CHURCH**

SUNDAY ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE July 4, 2021

#### **Greg Allen, Pastor**

This morning's message is taken from Matthew 5:13-16 FAITHFULLY BEING THE SALT & THE LIGHT

#### Welcome!

We're very glad you've chosen to be with us today for our online Sunday worship service. We sincerely hope this time of worship will be a blessing to you.

### **Order of Service**

(hymns attached)

### Welcome

Hymn #143, "This Is My Father's World"

**Opening** Prayer

Scripture Reading: Psalm 33:13-22

Hymn# 809, "God of Our Fathers"

Announcements / Offering

Church Family Time

#### Message

Communion Meal

Hymn #598, "Wherever He Leads I'll Go"

**Closing Prayer** 

## Hymn #143: This Is My Father's World

Maltbie D. Babcok

This is my Father's world, And to my list'ning ears All nature sings, and round me rings The music of the spheres. This is my Father's world, I rest me in the thought Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas— His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world, The birds their carols raise; The morning light, the lily white Declare their Maker's praise. This is my Father's world, He shines in all that's fair; In the rustling grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world, O let me ne'er forget That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet. This is my Father's world, The battle is not done; Jesus, who died, shall be satisfied, And earth and heav'n be one.

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# Scripture Reading from Psalm 33:13-22, NKJV

The Lord looks from heaven; He sees all the sons of men. From the place of His dwelling He looks On all the inhabitants of the earth; He fashions their hearts individually; He considers all their works.

No king is saved by the multitude of an army; A mighty man is not delivered by great strength. A horse is a vain hope for safety; Neither shall it deliver any by its great strength.

Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear Him, On those who hope in His mercy, To deliver their soul from death, And to keep them alive in famine.

Our soul waits for the Lord; He is our help and our shield. For our heart shall rejoice in Him, Because we have trusted in His holy name. Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, Just as we hope in You.

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## Hymn #809: God of Our Fathers

Daniel C. Roberts

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand Leads forth in beauty all the starry band Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past, In this free land by Thee our lot is cast; Be Thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay, Thy word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence, Be Thy strong arm our ever sure defense; Thy true religion in our hearts increase, Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way, Lead us from night to never-ending day; Fill all our lives with love and grace divine, And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.

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## FAITHFULLY BEING THE SALT & THE LIGHT

We are blessed to live in this free land. But we live in this land as devoted citizens of another and far greater kingdom (Philippians 3:20-21); and as God's special people who are distinct from this world (1 Peter 2:9-17). How then are we to live in actual practice?

Our Lord in Matthew 5:13-16--in His Sermon on The Mount--taught us that, as His followers, we are the salt of the earth and the light of the world. And the greatest thing we can do for our nation is to faithfully be what Jesus said we are. Notice from this morning's passage ...

- WHAT JESUS SAYS THAT WE ARE. (See Matthew 24:21-22; Philippians 2:14-16.)
- WHY WE MUST KEEP OUR DISTINCTION. (See 1 Peter 3:13-17; Ephesians 5:8-14.)
- HOW WE WILL IMPACT THE WORLD IF WE DO SO. (See verse 16.)



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## Hymn #598: Wherever He Leads I'll Go

B.B. McKinney

"Take up thy cross and follow Me," I heard my Master say; "I gave My life to ransom thee, Surrender your all today."

#### Chorus:

Wherever He leads I'll go, Wherever He leads I'll go, I'll follow my Christ who loves me so, Wherever He leads I'll go.

He drew me closer to His side, I sought His will to know, And in that will I now abide, Wherever He leads I'll go. *Chorus* 

It may be thru' the shadows dim, Or o'er the stormy sea, I take my cross and follow Him, Wherever He leadeth me. *Chorus* 

My heart, my life, my all I bring To Christ who loves me so; he is my Master, Lord, and King, Wherever He leads I'll go. *Chorus* 

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Thank you for joining us!

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**RE-OPENING NEWS:** *http://bethanybible.org/new/?p=6336* 

Be sure to visit our website at www.bethanybible.org for sermon and Bible study notes – and join us this Wednesday at 10:30AM (PST) for our Wednesday morning Bible study here on Facebook live!

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Thank you, and God bless you!