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Online Worship Resource

I waited patiently for the Lord;
God turned to me and heard my cry.
God lifted me out of the slimy pit,
out of the mud and mire;
God set my feet on a rock
and gave me a firm place to stand.
Psiam 40: 1-2

Leave to God's sovereign sway to choose and to command; so shalt thou, wondering, own that way, how wise, how strong this hand.

Let us in life, in death, thy steadfast truth declare, and publish with our latest breath thy love and guardian care.

> Author: Paul Gerhardt (1653) Translator: John Wesley (1739) Composer: William H. Walter (1894)

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CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 40

Leader: Happy are those who make the Lord

their trust, who do not turn aside to the

proud.

People: I delight to do your will, O my God;

your law is within my heart.

Leader: Do not, O Lord, withhold your mercy

from us;

People: Put a new song in our mouth,

a song of praise to our God.

*HYMN

Give to the Winds Thy Fears #129

Give to the winds thy fears; hope and be undismayed. God hears thy sighs and counts thy tears, God shall lift up thy head.

Through waves and clouds and storms, God gently clears thy way; wait thou God's time; so shall this night soon end in joyous day.

SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 1:4-7 (NIV)

⁴I always thank my God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus. ⁵ For in him you have been enriched in every way—with all kinds of speech and with all knowledge— ⁶ God thus confirming our testimony about Christ among you. ⁷ Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed.

The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Dianna Sheely

HYMN

My Hope is Built #368 Refrain Only

On Christ the solid rock I stand, All other ground is sinking sand; All other ground is sinking sand.

> Words: Edward Mote (1834) Music: William B. Bradbury (1863)

PRAYER OF BROKENNESS

written by Rev Mindi Rev-o-lution

Almighty Creator, we confess that we like predictability, regularity, and routine. At times, we struggle with new insights, ideas, even hopes that things could be different. We are challenged to believe the reign of God is at hand, right now. We are timid when Your bold declaration of the Gospel challenges us to repent and believe.

Grant us courage, and give us strength, to follow where You are leading us, by the Holy Spirit. Guide us into Your ways of love, justice, and mercy, to become living hope for those we encounter, to dare to believe that You love each one of us as we are and that we can become who You intended us to be, all of us, the children of God.

We pray that things will be shaken up and that we can roll with the transformation You intend for us. Hear us as together we share in the words Jesus taught us to pray saying: 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 forever. Amen

ASSURANCE

from Lamentations 3:21-23

"But this I call to mind, and therefore, I have hope. The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; God's mercies never come to an end. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness." While everything else is constantly in flux, changing at a rapid pace, God's steadfast love endures forever. God loves you more than you can possibly imagine or comprehend. Fill yourself with that knowledge and go out and



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*RESPONSE

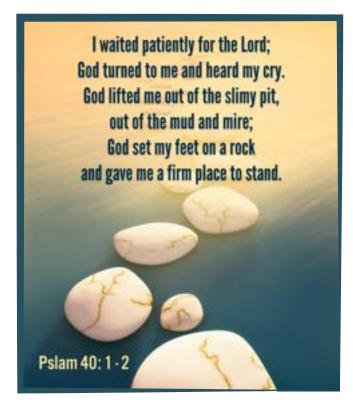
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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 40:1-2 (NIV)



The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

Growing Up Along the River Rev. David W. Brown *HYMN

Great Is Thy Faithfulness #140

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

all I have needed thy hand hath provided;

great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (Refrain)

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Refrain)

> Author: Thomas O. Chisholm (1923) Music: William M. Runyan (1923)t.

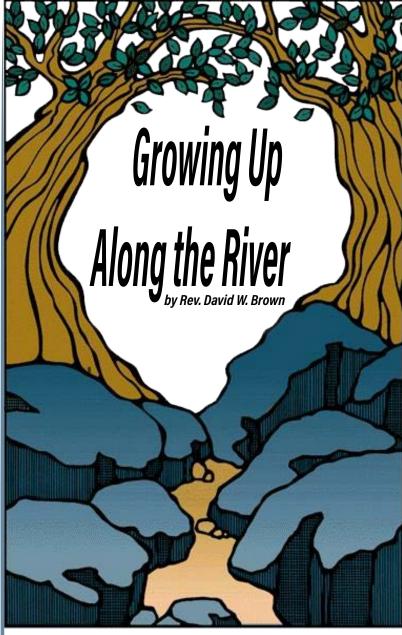
BENEDICTION

Adapted from Ministry Matters

Go in the love of the One who strengthens us for the work to which we are called.
Go in the fellowship of Jesus Christ, who claims us as siblings and friends.
Go in the community of the Holy Spirit, who binds us together with all the children of God



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Choir Special

Stand in That River
Written by Smiley

Offertory Music

This Little Light of Mine

Written by: Hogan

Soloist: Kim Brotherton

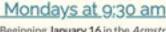
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Chancel Choir led by Ben Basone Organ & Piano, Stacy Haney

PRODUCTION TEAM

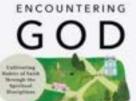
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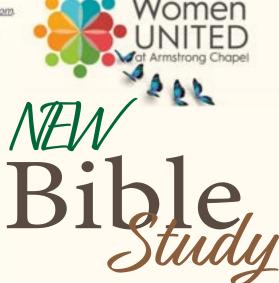


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by Kelly Minter

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