



May 31, 2020

To the church in Diaspora due to the Corona Virus, greetings from Pastor Jake & Kris Porter, our family and all of the church here in Hudsonville and elsewhere.

May we worship together today, May 31, wherever social distancing finds us.

Please gather on Facebook live or Zoom at 9:30 am to listen to a sermon and to have a time of prayer and then you can follow the rest of this liturgy in your home.

Pledging our Allegiance:

Hear O People of God. The Lord is our God! The Lord alone. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. And love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.

Time of Teaching:

Our scripture passage for today is Acts 2:

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Acts+2&version=NIV>

Maya, Gavin, & Bryson Van Solkema reciting:

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=11Zk0b1pAKbmKROMv4gRcMyKYGODIBZEw>

https://drive.google.com/open?id=1Q7Q1LKI3XQ3tI_BOsTw8JNLYQXWu1wid

https://drive.google.com/open?id=17E2g1VOANRHL_MNIoLhL6VDnbsJw7RYL

If you are on Zoom, stick around to receive the blessing.

Prayer:

Lord, as we gather together, may you be active & present, hearing our cries & prayers.

May we hear you in a new and different way, now that our daily lives are so different.

You are good, Lord and your love endures forever, your faithfulness to all generations.

Bless us and help us be your hands and feet, the very Body of Christ.
Amen.

Scripture:

Psalm 130

A song of ascents.

¹ Out of the depths I cry to you, Lord;

² Lord, hear my voice.

Let your ears be attentive
to my cry for mercy.

³ If you, Lord, kept a record of sins,
Lord, who could stand?

⁴ But with you there is forgiveness,
so that we can, with reverence, serve you.

⁵ I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits,
and in his word I put my hope.

⁶ I wait for the Lord
more than watchmen wait for the morning,
more than watchmen wait for the morning.

⁷ Israel, put your hope in the Lord,
for with the Lord is unfailing love
and with him is full redemption.

⁸ He himself will redeem Israel
from all their sins.

Children's Worship:

<https://youtu.be/lxucbvW1fLk>

Time of Singing & Praise

Please feel free to sing along with the play list that was created or sing some of your favorite hymns or songs. Sing sitting or standing or kneeling. And know that the God who created you is present and rejoices in the praises of His people.

Spotify Playlist:

<https://open.spotify.com/playlist/1lzaiomKsseJuingxllbb8?si=Q5qGUf2aTBGsLKC52MxSfw>

Confession + Assurance:

Take a few moments to confess to God the good and bad of this past week. It was hard and you probably did not respond as God calls us to at points. Tell God, silently or aloud how much you need Him in this time of uncertainty and fear.

Assurance in Scripture:

Zephaniah 3:17 New International Version (NIV)

¹⁷ The Lord your God is with you,
the Mighty Warrior who saves.
He will take great delight in you;
in his love he will no longer rebuke you,
but will rejoice over you with singing.”

Time of Prayer:

Please also use the prayer prompts from previous weeks if you feel so led.

Fill us with the Holy Spirit, rather than new wine, so that we may speak truth and act as your servants.

Bless your church and all who worship you so they may be your servants on this earth spreading your truth.

Come Holy Spirit, Come.

Bless these United States and all our leaders. May they put pettiness aside, make wise decisions on our behalf and lead all of us safely into a sustainable future.

Come Holy Spirit, Come.

Bless this fragile earth, our home and all inhabitants. May they be spared from war, natural disaster and disease so they may care for one another as well as the land, sea and air for future generations.

Come Holy Spirit, Come.

Bless all our neighbors in Hudsonville. We give you thanks for living in this beauty and sharing this space with all your creatures. May we care for it well and be gracious hosts to all those who visit.

Come Holy Spirit, Come.

Bless the Lord, O my soul. We give thanks, Holy Spirit, for the comfort you provide to all those suffering from sickness, financial stress, underemployment or any kind of trouble. When we do not know how to pray as we ought, may the Holy Spirit intercede with sighs too deep for words.

Come Holy Spirit, Come.

We give thanks for the gift of the Holy Spirit filling our hearts, may we speak and act your truth bringing eternal life to this world through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Blessing:

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nxn6tmVSljU>