

PSALMS



03.22.20

Scripture

Psalm 139:23-24

Search me, God, and know my heart;
test me and know my anxious thoughts.
²⁴ See if there is any offensive way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting.

Devotional

The Way Everlasting

Shawn Gendall

Worship

Build My Life

Sovereign Over Us

O Praise The Name

Way Maker

Yes I Will

How Great is our God

Reflections

The sneaky tricky thing about silence is that it can be either deafening or calming. Because when you come face-to-social-distancing-face with a global pandemic and your life feels like it's in total limbo (that infuriating combination of stagnation and free fall), you also come face to face with what you put your trust in. And how much (or how not very much) that trust is actually worth. When there's no more sports and no more movies and no more clubs and no more getting-together and more and more literal distance and isolation, there is a choice of how to look at it. The most obvious (and, if I'm honest, attractive) option is to take this as a deliciously golden opportunity to despair; to despair loudly, and often. But it's also an invitation to be still. Not in the stagnating sort of way, but in a way that grounds me. Grounds me in Christ. It's the active stillness of spiritually wrestling with what it really means to trust in Jesus, to worship in the midst of chaos, to be calm in the midst of the storm. On the one hand, I'm forced to confront how woeful I am at most of that, as well as my many limitations - for instance, the limit of my control over my day-to-day life. On the other hand, I get Jesus. Right now, life has removed a lot of the louder distractions that I often allow to drown out God's voice. It's been a long year already. And we don't actually know how much longer this pandemic is going to last, or how bad things are actually going to get. But I know that God is good. And faithful. And near. Times like this, what else can we do but throw our arms around Him and hold on for dear life?

- Jason Eaken, member of the PCC community

Reflections

...What you can plan is too small for you to live.

What you can live wholeheartedly will make plans enough
for the vitality hidden in your sleep.

To be human is to become visible
while carrying what is hidden as a gift to others.

To remember the other world in this world
is to live in your true inheritance.

You are not a troubled guest on this earth,
you are not an accident amidst other accidents
you were invited from another and greater night
than the one from which you have just emerged.

Now, looking through the slanting light of the morning window
toward the mountain presence of everything that can be
what urgency calls you to your one love?

What shape waits in the seed of you
to grow and spread its branches
against a future sky?...

- David Whyte

Information & Resources

We are meeting COVID-19 financial needs through our general fund.

General Fund Update (as of 3/1/20)

Offerings Budget: \$570,839

Expenses Budget: \$ 814,385

Offerings Actual: \$559,088

Expenses Actual: \$690,559

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