Open Up the Sky - Jonathan Stockstill

Our beloved Father please come down and meet us We are waiting on Your touch Open up the heavens shower down Your presence We respond to Your great love

We won't be satisfied with anything ordinary We won't be satisfied at all

CHORUS: Open up the sky fall down like rain We don't want blessings we want You Open up the sky fall down like fire We don't want anything but You

Our beloved Jesus we just want to see You In the glory of Your light Earthly things don't matter they just fade and shatter When we're touched by love divine

We won't be satisfied with anything ordinary We won't be satisfied at all **CHORUS:**

Interlude - Jessica will sing 2x:

Here we go let's go to the throne The place that we belong Right into His arms

We won't be satisfied with anything ordinary We won't be satisfied at all

CHORUS

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CHORUS

The Mission of
The First Presbyterian Church of Mandan
Is to follow God's two great commandments:
To love the Lord your God with all your heart,
and with all your soul, and with all your mind;
And to love your neighbor as yourself -In this community and beyond.



"The Golden Rule"

FEBRUARY 27, 2022

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PRELUDE MUSIC "Immortal, Invisible", with "I Could Sing of Your Love Forever" – Traditional/Martin Smith arr by Carol Tornquist Jessica Just, Pianist

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

Inexhaustible source of love and life, be with us in our time of worship as we seek the love it takes to walk in the ways of your Son. Teach us the joy of treating others with all the same respect and goodness with which we hope to be treated. May our every word and deed make known that we are your beloved children and vessels of your love. Amen.

*HYMN # 138 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

*SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS In Unison

We belong to Christ: our past belongs to Christ; our sins belong to Christ. We belong to Christ: our right now belongs to Christ; our moment of forgiveness belongs to Christ. We belong to Christ: our future belongs to Christ; our holy future, free of guilt and shame, belongs to Christ. Amen.

*THE GLORIA PATRI # 579

SCRIPTURE READING:

Genesis 45 The Old Testament pp. 42-43 Luke 6:27-38 The New Testament pp. 64-65

Remain seated:

SPECIAL MUSIC/SONG (JESSICA) On the back of bulletin (Congregation sings the chorus)

SERMON

"The Golden Rule"

*HYMN #143 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE OFFERING

*Doxology - # 592

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We bring these offerings to you, O Lord, not because you need them, but because you are holy. Through these resources we ask that he who is without a cloak be clothed, and she who is hungry be fed. We bring these offerings before you and ask that they be used to fulfill your holy purposes. Amen.

*HYMN INSERT "Take the Name of Jesus With You"

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skis" - Johann G Werner Arr Cindy Berry

*All who are able are please asked to stand.

Bold indicates congregational part

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MINI NEWSLETTER

We welcome our Visitors! We hope you will continue to worship with us.

Feb. 23 – Confirmation 6:30pm

Mar 2 – Confirmants meet at church 5:15 to go to Wilton for Ash Wednesday services. Call Deanna if you need a ride 426-3857

Mar. 2 - Ash Wednesday- At Wilton 6 pm there will be a light supper and the service will begin at 7 pm. Please plan to attend! If you need a ride, call the office at 663-5788

Mar. 7 – Session 7pm

Mar. 8 – Staff Meeting 11:00am

Mar 13 – Day Light Savings Time! Clocks spring forward.

Mar. 13 – No CIA

April 18 – Start bringing Rummage sale items to church. Please call to make sure someone is here! No clothes, No electronics! Will need workers!

Upcoming Events and Notices

You've been sent a thank you letter from AID, Inc. thanking you for **270 lbs**. of food from Souper Bowl Sunday!! Thank you ALL for supporting our community and Church Activities. We DO make a difference!

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING: During the season of Lent, we celebrate that God connects with us through Jesus' resurrection and connects us with "those who have least" — that's how Matthew 25 puts it — and that's what One Great Hour of Sharing is all about "**Connecting".**

Our gifts provide relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed. This Lenten season, please give generously to One Great Hour of Sharing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special Person of the Week: Vern Davis February 29th and Don Morris on February 28th! They're part of the "Over 90 Mark Club". Happy Birthday Blessings!

Greeters: Your Deacons

February Birthdays:

28 - Don Morris, Austin Fisher, Gail Hendrickson Given

29 - Vern Davis

March 1 - Levi Engelhardt, Austin Fisher

4 - Izaak Eckes, Spike Keigley

5 - Destiny Pfliiger, David Bosworth, Ruth Stewart,

FINANCIALLY:

Needed weekly: (Gen Fund) \$2,600.00

Offering was not counted due to weather.

PRAYER LIST: Kelley Reuer, Dean Shaw, Rowan Rosendahl, AJ Stewart, Raleigh Pfliiger-Heskett, Nick Dove, Mark Dove, Harriet McClelland, Darla Keigley, Mark Carney, Virginia Illich, Sam DeHaven, Sarah McDowell.

Pray for travelers and pray for our country! Pray for the people of Ukraine and Russia.

MILITARY LIST: David Beylund, Steph Kuehn, Alex Dove, and Brad Gardner.

<u>NURSING/RETIREMENT HOMES</u>: David Gray, Don Morris, Carole Klebe and Irene Springan, Mrs. Bennett_

^{*}Please make sure we have your email address!

"Whom shall I fear?"

Creator God, this question of Psalm 27 is not rhetorical for the Ukrainians who are threatened by the buildup of Russian troops and saber-rattling on their borders.

Lord, be their light and their salvation. Protect the Ukrainians whom we watch on the nightly news — the elder veteran pacing an old army trench, the grandmother in her pink housecoat taking up arms, the mother and her teenagers practicing at the shooting range, the common citizens answering the call to protect their homeland, their communities, and their right to live free and secure. Strengthen President Zelenskyy as he jets from one country to the next, rallying the support of allies, while also attending to his citizens and walking the streets to encourage and reassure them.

We seek your presence also in Russia and among her troops. Save those called to kill by leaders far removed from the blood, trauma and moral injury of war. Open the hearts of political leaders who prioritize power over people.

Bless the efforts of diplomacy, that peace may soon be seen as the most profitable and proven path. Until that day when peace shall reign, until that day when enemies stop "breathing out violence" at the borders of the innocent, let us hold onto the promise that we "shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living." On behalf of those who suffer and struggle, we wait and we pray and we listen to the psalmist. "Be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!"

Amen.