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***Fifth Sunday***  
***January 29, 2023***  
***11:00 A.M.***

***The Rev. Dr. Richard Allen Farmer, Pastor-  
Teacher***

*Lay Leader: Cleveland Robinson*      *Worship Leader: Beryl Lindsay*  
*Pianist: Kristi Helfen*      *Drums: Ben Wilkinson*  
*Percussion: Sam Jones*

COMMUNITY NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

+CALL TO WORSHIP

**Lay Leader**

Leader: Come, we gather to meet our God this day.

**People: Come, as we make God the focus of our Sabbath.**

Leader: Come, as we open the Scripture for guidance.

**People: Come, as we pray, praise, repent, and forgive.**

OPENING HYMN

*Hymn No. 192*

*Joys Are Flowing Like a River  
(Blessed Quietness)*

+PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE (In unison)

O God, our refuge, our strength, our help. You are the bedrock upon which our lives are built, the mighty fortress which surrounds and protects. Though the earth should change, the mountains shake, the waters rise, we will not fear. Help us, O Lord, to live fearlessly amidst the storm. Guide us as followers of the Prince of Peace, away from a fortress mentality, where outsiders are enemies, toward a kingdom where love is the final word. Blessed and holy God, ever merciful and forgiving, may we turn from what is evil and do what is good in Your sight, for You have saved us by the cross of Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.** \*

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**Lay Leader**

Christ died for our sins. He made a full atonement for us. We are forgiven and we have the promise of eternal life. Feel that forgiveness in Your heart. **We are His children. Amen.**

OFFERING OF PRAISE

*I Sing Praises to Your Name  
Jehovah Is Your Name  
Reign, Jesus Reign*

+PASTORAL PRAYER

MOMENT FOR MISSIONS

**Keah Gruduah**

*Urbana*

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

GRATEFUL GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Text and online giving available. See the website for information.*

OFFERTORY

**Kristi Helfen**

*I Surrender All  
by Weeden/Dean*

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

*Doxology*

CHILDREN'S CHURCH (Children ages 4 & 5 and grades 1st-5th are dismissed to class)

+SCRIPTURE READING

*If you are able, please stand for the reading of the Word of God.*

Psalm 37:1-11

**Reader: The Word of the Lord**

**Response: Thanks be to God**

SERMON

**Pastor Richard Allen Farmer**

*"Watching the Wicked Prosper"*

MOMENT OF REFLECTION/CALL TO COMMITMENT

CLOSING HYMN

*Hymn No. 322*

*The Lord's Our Rock, In Him We Hide*

BENEDICTION

**People: Amen**

POSTLUDE

**Kristi Helfen**

*I Must Tell Jesus  
by Hoffman/Winkler*

WHEN THE GATHERING ENDS, THE SERVICE BEGINS.

GO IN PEACE, TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD.

*Hymn= Hymns for the Living Church.*

*(All music and words approved by CCLI License No. 58738)*

+No entry at this time. \* Prayers by Beryl Lindsay

**JOYS ARE FLOWING LIKE A RIVER**  
**(Blessed Quietness)**

Joys are flowing like a river,  
 Since the Comforter has come;  
 He abides with us forever,  
 Makes the trusting heart His home.

*Refrain:*

Blessed quietness, holy quietness,  
 What assurance in my soul!  
 On the stormy sea, He speaks peace to me,  
 How the billows cease to roll.

Bringing life and health and gladness,  
 All around this heav'nly Guest;  
 Banished unbelief and sadness,  
 Changed our weariness to rest.

Like the rain that falls from heaven,  
 Like the sunlight from the sky,  
 So the Holy Ghost given,  
 Coming on us from us from on high.

What a wonderful salvation,  
 Where we always see His face!  
 What a perfect habitation'  
 What a quiet resting place!

Mannie P. Ferguson

**THE LORD'S OUR ROCK, IN HIM WE**  
**HIDE**

The Lord's our Rock, in Him we hide  
 A shelter in the time of storm;  
 Secure whatever ill betide  
 A shelter in the time of storm.

**Refrain:**

O Jesus is a Rock in a weary land,  
 A weary land, a weary land;  
 O Jesus is a Rock in a weary land  
 A shelter in the time of storm.

A shade by day, defense by night  
 A shelter in the time of storm;  
 No fears alarm, no foes affright  
 A shelter in the time of storm. [Refrain]

The raging storms may round us beat  
 A shelter in the time of storm;  
 We'll never leave our safe retreat  
 A shelter in the time of storm. [Refrain]

O Rock divine, O Refuge dear  
 A shelter in the time of storm;  
 Be Thou our helper ever near  
 A shelter in the time of storm. [Refrain]

## **I SING PRAISES TO YOUR NAME, OH LORD**

I sing praises to Your name, oh Lord.

Praises to Your name, oh Lord

For Your name is great

And greatly to be praised 2x

For Your name is great

And greatly to be praised 2x

Source: [Musixmatch](#), Songwriters: Terry Macalmon

## **JEHOVAH IS YOUR NAME**

Jehovah is your name.

Jehovah is your name

Mighty warrior

Great in battle

Jehovah is your name 2x

Mighty warrior, Great in battle

Jehovah is your name 2x

Jehovah, praise your name

Jehovah, praise your name

Strong deliverer

My protector

Jesus, praise your name.

Benjamin Dude/Lyrics rewritten by Rosemary Farmer

## **REIGN, JESUS REIGN**

Reign, Jesus reign

Reign, Jesus reign...

King of Zion

Judah's lion

Reign, Jesus reign