



*From today's Scripture:
Now you've got my feet on the life path,
all radiant from the shining of your face.
Ever since you took my hand,
I'm on the right way.
Psalm 16:11: The Message*

GROVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Service of Worship
Digital Worship Service
April 19th, 2020 10:15 AM*

**You are encouraged to read the passages in bold type
and sing the hymns with us.**

Welcome

Prelude

by Samuel Wesley

“Holsworthy Church Bells”

Gathering Hymn

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

1. A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing.
Our helper he, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe.
His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.
2. That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth.
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also.
The body they may kill; God's truth abideth still.
His kingdom is forever.

Call to Worship

Blessed be the God of our Savior, Jesus Christ!

**God has given us a new birth in the living hope of the
resurrection.**

God has given us an inheritance that is imperishable and unfading.
In this we rejoice, even when we suffer trials.

For although we have not seen Jesus, we love him; and although
we have not seen him, we believe in him.

For the outcome of our faith is the salvation of our souls.

Prayer of Confession

God, you have made known to us the ways of life. Acts 2:28

**Yet, too often, we put other things above you Ps. 16:4 and turn
away from the ways of life and toward the ways of death.**

**Forgive us and guide us back into your presence, that we may
know the fullness of joy. Amen.**

Let us take a moment of silence to reflect upon God's grace...

Declaration of Forgiveness

My friends, God is our refuge and will not abandon us. In Jesus Christ, we are reconciled to God. That is a promise of peace and joy; share that peace with one another.

Special Music

“The Old Rugged Cross”

*On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
the emblem of suffering and shame;
and I love that old cross where the dearest and best
for a world of lost sinners was slain.
Refrain: So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
and exchange it someday for a crown.
To that old rugged cross I will ever be true,
its shame and reproach gladly bear;
then he'll call me some day to my home far away,
Where his glory forever I'll share. Refrain*

Passing of the Peace

Old Testament Lesson:

Psalm 16

New Testament Lesson: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Sermon:

“My Invisible Friend”

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer (*debts/debtors*)

Blessing

Sending Hymn

“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”

1. Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord,
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.

2. Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.
Where there is darkness, only light,
and where there's sadness, ever joy.
3. O, Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love with all my soul.
4. Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving of ourselves that we receive,
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Postlude

by Powell

“Easter Fanfare”

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Participants in today's service: Henry Cotner (worship leader), Brian Crane and Cathy Sanders (vocal music), Lynne Pabst (children's sermon), Joy Christian (organist), Rev. Jason Clapper

Sanctuary flowers are given today by Linda Neddoff-Weckter to the Glory of God and in memory of the Rhawn and Brey families.

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Questions to take with you

- What piece of music will stay with you this week?
- What scripture passage is especially meaningful to you today?
- How can you love someone without seeing them?
- What in your life needs to be healed?