

April 26, 2020

Dear Church Family,

How was your week?

I described my family's week to someone as feeling kind of slump-ish. Not sure if it was the weather or what, but the isolation this week felt heavier or gloomier or... something. So, during this time, and especially this week, I've been thinking a lot about what it means to wait. The verses that keep coming to my mind are from the end of Psalm 33: "We wait in hope for the Lord; he is our help and our shield. In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name. May your unfailing love be with us, Lord, even as we put our hope in you." In all of the uncertainty swirling around us, this is what I keep coming back to: the unfailing love of God. This is my hope. So, I choose to rehearse this truth, even when it's a "middle of a pandemic, winter when it should be spring, missing "normal" life, slump-ish" sort of week.

Scot Cook (with some help from his daughter Kimberly and wife Heather) and Andy Shipman recorded worship for us this week. Before you join them in singing, I invite you to read all of Psalm 33 as way of preparing your hearts to worship. – Margaret

Video link:

<http://www.unioncenter.org/files/unioncenter/Sermons/2020/20200426-Worship.mp4>

Spotify Playlist:

<https://open.spotify.com/playlist/3NaFSSbZn6ikPPycw0yzWI?si=NqwnM29iT96fQhuRTz54RA>

Apple Music Playlist:

<https://music.apple.com/us/playlist/uccc-04-26-20/pl.u-BNA6Yj6l1ezbLb>

YouTube Videos (w/ lyrics)

All Creatures of our God and King <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wSFK7UiH5Us>

Glorious Day <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MHxwMYrYHPM>

Cornerstone https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a3HH_-1Zbs