# Summer Shorts: The Short Books of the Bible The Book of 2 Thessalonians: A Call to Be Steadfast in Uncertain Times

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Livestream the 10:15am on The Presbyterian Church of Jackson Hole's YouTube Channel

# **Thoughts for the Day**

We ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love all of you have for one another is increasing. Therefore, among God's churches we boast about your perseverance and faith in all the persecutions and trials you are enduring.

~ 2 Thessalonians 1:3-4

*Give careful thought to the paths for your feet and be steadfast in all your ways.* 

~ Proverbs 4:26

Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. ~ Psalm 90:14

Blessed is the person who remains steadfast under trial.

~ James 1:12

#### **COMING TOGETHER TO WORSHIP**

Prelude

Laura Huckin

**Gathering Song** 

Let the River Flow

Let the poor man say, I am rich in Him
Let the lost man say, I am found in Him
Oh, Let the river flow
Let the blind man say, I can see again
Let the dead man say, I am born again
Oh, Let the river flow
Oh, Let the river flow

Chorus:

Let the river flow Let the river flow Holy Spirit come Move in power

Let the river flow (let the river flow) Let the river flow (let the river flow) Let the river flow (let the river flow) Let the river flow

## Welcome and Opening Prayer

Rev. Ben Pascal

# Song of Praise

Praise Ye the Lord the Almighty! (African Hallelujah Chorus)

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah! (repeat)

Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O My soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!

All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near,

Join me in glad adoration!

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

Praise ye the Lord, who over all things so wondrously reigneth,

Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen how thy desires ever have been Granted in what He ordaineth? Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!

All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before

Him!

Let the amen sound from His people again; Gladly for aye we adore Him.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah! (repeat)

# **Responsive Prayer of Confession**

Laura Miller

One: We often think that God is 'out there' somewhere, distant and uncaring. But God hears our hearts, God sees our struggles, God walks with us as we try to be faithful disciples. Let us come to the One who is as close as the very breath we take in this moment, to confess the brokenness of our lives.

(a time of silent reflection and confession)

One: Let us pray.

All: Once again, Gracious God, have mercy on us. You know our hearts so well... touch them with your grace. You see our deepest fears... heal them with your peace. You hear our secret longings... speak to them of your hope. You know how we have harmed ourselves and others in word and deed... please forgive us and bring wholeness to our lives through your reconciling love. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

#### **Words of Assurance**

## Song of Response

King of My Heart

Let the King of my heart be the mountain where I run The fountain I drink from, oh He is my song Let the King of my heart be the shadow where I hide The ransom for my life, oh He is my song

# Chorus:

You are good good oh, You are good good oh You are good good oh, You are good good oh Let the King of my heart be the wind inside my sails
The anchor in the waves, oh He is my song
Let the King of my heart, be the fire inside my veins
The echo of my days, oh He is my song

#### Chorus

You're never gonna let, never gonna let me down You're never gonna let, never gonna let me down You're never gonna let, never gonna let me down You're never gonna let, never gonna let me down (repeat)

#### Chorus

You're never gonna let, never gonna let me down You're never gonna let, never gonna let me down You're never gonna let, never gonna let me down You're never gonna let, never gonna let me down

> When the night is holding on to me, God is holding on. (repeat)

#### SHARING LIFE TOGETHER

# **News of the Church Family**

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Kacy O'Hare

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#### **Hymn of Praise**

Glory Be to the Father (Hymn 579)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end. Amen, Amen.

#### Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, Who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name.
Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins,
As we forgive those who've sinned against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil,
For Thine is the Kingdom,
and the Power,
and the Glory forever.
Amen.

#### HEARING GOD'S WORD

# **Song of Praise**

Steadfast

I will build my house whether storm or drought On the rock that does not move I will set my hope in Your love O Lord And Your faithfulness will prove

Chorus:

You are steadfast, steadfast

By the word You spoke all the starry host Are called out by name each night In Your watchful care I will rest secure As you lead us with Your light

Chorus (repeat)

I will not trust in the strength of kings On Your promise I will stand I will shout for joy I will raise my voice Hallelujah to the Lamb

Chorus (repeat)

In the moment of emptiness all was fulfilled In the hour of darkness Your light was revealed In the presence of death Your life was affirmed In the absence of holiness You are still God

Chorus (repeat)

# **Scripture Reading**

2 Thessalonians 2:13-17

Laura Miller

# Time for Reflection and Study

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#### BEING SENT OUT INTO THE WORLD

# **Benediction Song**

Let There Be Love Shared Among Us

Let there be love shared among us, let there be love in our eyes May now Your love sweep this nation, cause us O Lord, to arise Give us a fresh understanding of family love that is real Let there be love shared among us, let there be love

## The Benediction Spoken

Musicians

Guitar and Vocals: Peter Keenan Piano and Vocals: Laura Huckin Vocals: Judith Weikle

Percussion: Zachary Singer

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