

# **FAITH WORKS**

## **THE BOOK OF JAMES**

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ANAHEIM**

**OCTOBER 31, 2021**

**PRELUDE**

Be Thou My Vision

arr. Paul Manz

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INTROIT**

*Pilgrim's Hymn*

Stephen Paulus

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

We come to hear the story of God's faithfulness to past generations.

**But we are looking to the future, even as we give thanks for our past.**

Our God is also God of the future. The God who was with our ancestors is also with us.

**Therefore, we can go forward in hope. Whatever else fails, God, through Christ remains faithful, showering our lives with wisdom, grace and strength. Praise be to God.**

**HYMN NO 210** (v. 1-4)

*Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*

St. Anne

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received its frame,  
From everlasting Thou art God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in Thy sight are like an evening gone;  
Short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever rolling stream, soon bears us all away;  
We fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Forgive us, O Lord, for we have sinned.

**We have trusted in our strength rather than Your power.**

**We have trusted in our cleverness rather than in Your wisdom.**

**We have trusted in our deeds rather than Your grace.**

**Merciful God, forgive us.**

**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**ANTHEM**

*The Old Hundredth Psalm Tune*

R. Vaughan Williams

**SCRIPTURE**

James 3:13-18

**SERMON**

"Faith Works Wisely"

**SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AND THANKSGIVING FOR THE SAINTS OF GOD**

Holy God, we thank you for all those who have shared and shaped our journeys. Their memory abides with us even as we feel their loss. We give thanks and praise that they have been part of our lives. In Christ Jesus we pray. Amen.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE****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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

**HYMN NO 339***Be Thou My Vision*

Slane

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Nought be all else to me, save that Thou art—  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always;  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, Great God of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word; I even with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

**BENEDICTION****CHORAL BENEDICTION****POSTLUDE***A Mighty Fortress*

arr. Gordon Young

**Today's Worship Leaders:**

Kim Skilling, Pastor

A.J. Stevens, Intern Director, Carol Hughes, Accompanist  
Abbott Hatch, Rick Connor, & Richard Ramich, Video and Sound