WOODLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship Service/4th Sunday in Lent 10 a.m.

March 14, 2021 Worship Book

Join us online by going to www.woodlandpresbyterian.org

If you would like to listen to the songs we will be singing on Sunday, you can find them at:

Be Strong in the Lord

Be Strong in The Lord - BBBCT Virtual Choir - YouTube

He Will Hold Me Fast

<u>Keith & Kristyn Getty - He Will Hold Me Fast (Official Lyric Video) - YouTube</u>

(Tune in early to see the scrolling church announcements)

WELCOME Pastor Kevin

VIDEO: Psalms for Lent: Psalm 130

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER

Mark Hover

MUSIC: Be Strong in the Lord

Be strong in the Lord,
And be of good courage;
Your mighty defender
Is always the same.
Mount up with wings,
As the eagle ascending;
Victory is sure
When you call on His name.

Be strong, be strong,
Be strong in the Lord;
And be of good courage,
For He is your guide.
Be strong, be strong,
Be strong in the Lord;
And rejoice
For the victory is yours.

So, put on the armor
The Lord has provided,
And place your defense
In His unfailing care.
Trust Him for He will
Be with you in battle,
Lighting your path
To avoid every snare.

Be strong in the Lord,
And be of good courage;
Your mighty commander
Will vanquish the foe.
Fear not the battle
For the victory is always His;
He will protect you wherever you go.

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SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Kings 16:29-34 (ESV)

²⁹ In the thirty-eighth year of Asa king of Judah, Ahab the son of Omri began to reign over Israel, and Ahab the son of Omri reigned over Israel in Samaria twenty-two years. ³⁰ And Ahab the son of Omri did evil in the sight of the LORD, more than all who were before him. ³¹ And as if it had been a light thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, he took for his wife Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal king of the Sidonians, and went and served Baal and worshiped him. ³² He erected an altar for Baal in the house of Baal, which he built in Samaria. ³³ And Ahab made an Asherah. Ahab did more to provoke the LORD, the God of Israel, to anger than all the kings of Israel who were before him. ³⁴ In his days Hiel of Bethel built Jericho. He laid its foundation at the cost of Abiram his firstborn, and set up its gates at the cost of his youngest son Segub, according to the word of the LORD, which he spoke by Joshua the son of Nun.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION/ASSURANCE OF PARDON

DOXOLOGY FOR LENT:

WORSHIP ASSISTANT: Praise God throughout these forty days;

ALL: Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise;

WORSHIP ASSISTANT: And praise the Spirit who imparts...

ALL: The love of Christ into our hearts. AMEN

SCRIPTURE: Revelation 2:18-29 (ESV)

¹⁸ "And to the angel of the church in Thyatira write: 'The words of the Son of God, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and whose feet are like burnished bronze.

¹⁹ "I know your works, your love and faith and service and patient endurance, and that your latter works exceed the first.

²⁰ But I have this against you, that you tolerate that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess and is teaching and seducing my servants to practice sexual immorality and to eat food sacrificed to idols. ²¹ I gave her time to repent, but she refuses to repent of her sexual immorality. ²² Behold, I

will throw her onto a sickbed, and those who commit adultery with her I will throw into great tribulation, unless they repent of her works, ²³ and I will strike her children dead. And all the churches will know that I am he who searches mind and heart, and I will give to each of you according to your works.

²⁴ But to the rest of you in Thyatira, who do not hold this teaching, who have not learned what some call the deep things of Satan, to you I say, I do not lay on you any other burden. ²⁵ Only hold fast what you have until I come.

²⁶ The one who conquers and who keeps my works until the end, to him I will give authority over the nations, ²⁷ and he will rule them with a rod of iron, as when earthen pots are broken in pieces, even as I myself have received authority from my Father. ²⁸ And I will give him the morning star. ²⁹ He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'

SERMON: "Letter to Thyatira: Hold Fast!"

HYMN OF RESPONSE He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail,
Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail,
He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold
Through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold;
He must hold me fast.

Chorus

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast; For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast. Those He saves are His delight,
Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in His holy sight,
He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost;
His Promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost,
He will hold me fast.

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast; Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast. Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast Till our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last! CCLI Song # 7016161 Ada Ruth Habershon | Matthew Merker © 2013 Getty Music Publishing (Admin. by Music Services, Inc.) Matthew Merker Music (Admin. by Music Services, Inc.) For use solely with the SongSelect® <u>Terms</u> of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 118922

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH/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 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

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG: The Blessing

Chorus: A-men, a-men, a-men (2X)

Verse: The Lord bless you and keep you,

Make His face shine upon you

And be gracious to you.

The Lord turn His face toward you

And give you peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Sundays (starting today)</u> – Our first course of Christianity Explored begins today and will continue for the next eight weeks (we will not meet on Easter Sunday). 4:30 p.m. in the Library/Chapel – meal provided.

<u>Tuesdays</u> – Zechariah Bible Study, 10 a.m.

Wednesdays – 12 p.m. Prayer Time in the Sanctuary

<u>The Encouraging Word</u> – If you would like to receive this weekly email of the prayers from the Sunday service, or if you do not want to receive it, please call or email Claralee Williams.

<u>What Now?</u> – There is an after-service discussion called, *What Now?* It will center on the day's Bible passage and sermon.

Easter Outreach – Contact Cindy if you can help with the children's Easter Outreach, Saturday, March 27, 10-11 a.m.

<u>Seder Meal Presentation</u> – at WPC, March 31, at 5:00 p.m., with Jack Meadows from Chosen People Ministries, in the Fellowship Hall.

'Jesus Encounter' Prayer Experience — Wednesday-Friday during Holy Week, March 31-April 2, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., we'll be offering the "Jesus Encounter" prayer experience. You will be asked to sign up for a time slot to come to the church and journey through various spaces/stations that focus on Christ and His journey to the cross. Further details to come.