



**VIBRANT WORSHIP
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 27, 2020**

Good Morning!

Welcome to our online worship. We're delighted that you joined us today. Even when we're physically apart, the Holy Spirit unites us as one community! Even when we can't *go to church*, **we are the church!**

Let us know you worshiped with us today by filling out the Friendship Form located on our website www.rivierachurch.org WORSHIP page. If you are joining us via Facebook or YouTube, please check in or leave us a comment so we know you are worshiping with us today.

Don't forget to keep checking our various social media outlets, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, for up-to-date information.

RivieraChurch

GATHERING

OPENING HYMN

GOD'S COVENANT WITH ISRAEL

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah 65

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but thou art might - y. Hold me
stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
fears sub - side. Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion, land me

with thy power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,
safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es

feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.
be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.
I will ev - er give to thee; I will ev - er give to thee.

Few Welsh hymns are as well known or loved as this 18th-century text that did not gain its popular tune until the early 20th century. In both its original text and in English translation, it is a stirring hymn of pilgrimage filled with vivid imagery from Hebrew Scripture.

TEXT: William Williams, 1762; stanza 1, trans. Peter Williams, 1771; stanzas 2-3, trans. William Williams, 1772
MUSIC: John Hughes, 1907

CWM RHONDDA
8.7.8.7.8.7.7

CHIMING OF THE HOUR & WELCOMING THE LIGHT

WELCOME

Rev. Martha M. Shiverick

CALL TO WORSHIP

Elaine Lanaris

One: Praise the Lord, who is our provider.

All: The Lord is our hope. Our trust is in God.

One: God brought us out of bondage and has made us free.

All: The Lord is our hope. Our trust is in God.

One: Glorious are the deeds of our God, and mighty are God's acts.

All: The Lord is our hope. Our trust is in God.

One: Let us worship God!

CALL TO CONFESSION

Karen Collier

Let us boldly confess our sins before the One who already knows our errors and is gracious to forgive our hidden faults.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God our maker and defender: We confess that frailty of our human condition. We are vulnerable to the forces of nature and history around us. We are often victims of our own carelessness and greed. We do not know how to say 'no' to the temptations that destroy us, nor do we know how to say 'yes' to redemption that you offer to save us. Were it not for your tender mercies we would be completely lost. Teach us to trust ourselves to you so deeply that when we come to our end we will know you as our friend. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

People of God, our sins are forgiven. The Lord is loving, and we are reconciled to God. Therefore, let us humble and surrender ourselves to the will of God and the glory of the Lord.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Anna Rosas

WE ARE MARCHING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD

We are marching in the light of God; we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching in the light of God' we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, marching, we are marching, in the light of God.

We are marching, marching, we are marching in the light of God.

THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Elaine Lanaris

Lord, by the power of your Holy Spirit give us words of life, that we may understand your way and follow your truth. In Jesus Christ, we pray. **Amen.**

CHORAL ANTHEM

Draw Me Nearer

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 21: 23-32

Sandy Barrow

SERMON

Rev. Martha M. Shiverick

‘A Parable of Fake News’

THE RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Michele Ready

Let us pray for the needs of the world, saying,

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

O God who is ever present, you hear our cries and are ever faithful in your mercy. We come to you with our concerns for ourselves, our community, and our world.

God, we pray for our church and its leaders. For those who volunteer their time and talents to serve you and to bring hope, justice, and love to this hurting world.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for our country and global community. Enable our leaders to make decisions for the sake of people and not profits, and to serve others and not themselves.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for our state and local community. As this pandemic continues, be with those who are ill and those who care for them. We pray for the safety of our children and their teachers and caregivers. Be with those whose economic situation puts their health at a great disadvantage and teach us how to create change and equality in health care.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God, we pray for all those who suffer with sickness, sadness, bereavement, and anxiety and we ask that you envelop them in your love and that you help us to be their community and to create the balm that they need.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Loving God, we know that you walk with us, and that you answer when we call. With gratitude and trust we pray all this in Christ's name who also taught us to pray in this manner:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

For the Lord's Prayer we appreciate the diverse traditions and backgrounds that make up the Riviera family of faith and encourage you to use whatever words for this prayer are meaningful for you.

Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO THE OFFERING

God, we offer back to you a portion of what has been given to us, knowing that all we have and all we are comes from you. We ask that these gifts be used in your service so that all may know of your unconditional love. **Amen.**

INVITATION TO GIVE TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The Act of Gratitude

- 1. You may donate today via credit/debit card by visiting our website at www.rivierachurch.org and clicking on the GIVE button**
- 2. You may download the free Give+ app (iOS & Android)**
- 3. You may consider setting up online payment via your bank bill pay program.**
- 4. You may also mail in your check to the church at Riviera Presbyterian Church at 5275 Sunset Drive, Miami FL 33143**

If you are a member of another church, please donate to them during this time

DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God, ye hosts in heaven above;
Praise God, the Trinity of Love. Amen*

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

ADORATION

630 Fairest Lord Jesus

1 Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Rul - er of all
2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair - er still the
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair - er still the
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Rul - er of the

na - ture, O thou of God to earth come
wood - lands, robed in the bloom - ing garb of
moon - light, and all the twink - ling, star - ry
na - tions, Son of God and Son of

down, thee will I cher - ish, thee will I
spring. Je - sus is fair - er; Je - sus is
host. Je - sus shines bright - er; Je - sus shines
Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o -

hon - or, thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.
pur - er, who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.
pur - er, than all the an - gels heaven can boast.
ra - tion, now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Franz Liszt used this melody for a "Crusaders' March" in an oratorio, but this hymn had nothing to do with the Crusades. No record of the German text exists before the middle of the 17th century or of the Silesian folk melody before the first half of the 19th century.

TEXT: Münster *Gesangbuch*, 1677; stanzas 1-3, trans. *Church Chorals and Choir Studies*, 1850, alt.; stanza 4, trans. Joseph August Seiss, 1873, alt.
MUSIC: Silesian folk melody; *Schlesische Volkslieder*, 1842

CRUSADERS' HYMN
5.6.8.5.5.8

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN IN THE ZOOM CALL FOR FELLOWSHIP TIME.

<https://Bit.Ly/Rpcsunday>
Meeting ID 829-1129-7119 Password 056833



Thank you for worshipping at Riviera today. Please take a moment fill out the Friendship Form on our website and share any prayer requests or joys which will be sent to our pastoral care team.

If you would like to be added to our mailing list, please send us an email at rivierachurch@gmail.com.



Next Sunday Morning You Are Invited for Zoom Online Adult Bible Study Class

10:00 am - 10:30 am

This is a great opportunity to study Sunday's sermon passage with Pastor Missy.

Meeting 860-148-3445

Password: 2708



The Riviera Food Pantry

Current Needs

Peanut Butter

Pasta Sauce

Granola Bars

Tuna

Canned Soup and Fruit

Ramen Noodles

You may also send monetary donations via our [online service](#), via your bank's bill pay, or mail a check to the church.

--Thank you.



Check out our [Instagram Page](#) daily in September for FAITH IN ACTION activities.

Through participation in the [Peace and Global Witness Offering](#), our church is extending Christ's peace throughout our community and our world. We began at the communion table on Sunday, September 6, with our siblings in every time and place, and we celebrated the peace we found there and committed to building a more just and peaceful world. 25% of the offering received will be donated for hurricane relief. 25% goes to mid councils to unite congregations to support peacemaking in our region, 50% of the offering supports the work for peace and reconciliation being done by Presbyterians across the globe.



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Siyahamba/We Are Marching In the Light of God

#65063 Type: Words and Music; First Line: We Are Marching In the Light of God

Contributors: Anders Nyberg

Draw Me Nearer

[#84265 List](#)

Type: Words and Music; First Line: I am thine O Lord

Contributors: Fanny Crosby, Susan Naylor Callaway

Fairest Lord Jesus

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