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July 5, 2020

Welcome to Midtown's Online Worship Service!

A Message From the Pastor

Welcome to Midtown Community Church. Wherever you are worshiping from geographically, emotionally, or spiritually, we are glad you can join us as we turn our hearts and minds towards God in worship.

Connect With Us!

If you want to stay connected to Midtown Community Church during this season, we highly recommend joining us on our instant messaging platform, [Slack](#). This is a great place to chat with other people, share prayer requests, find resources and receive updates about the life of our church. Slack is definitely the place to be on Sunday mornings during the broadcast of our online worship service! Just follow this link: [Join Midtown on Slack](#).

Midtown Community Church now also has an online meeting platform called [Zoom](#). Zoom is great for Community Groups, Bible Studies and virtual socials! If you need to schedule a meeting with a group of people within the church, reach out to our administrator, Erin Wright, and she would be glad to schedule a meeting for you. Erin: erin@midtown-church.org.

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Call to Worship

Taken From Psalm 25:11-15

Elder Jayson Cleary

Leader: For your name's sake, O Lord

All: Pardon our guilt, for it is great

Leader: Who is the one who fears the Lord?

All: The one whom God instructs in the way he should choose.

Leader: The friendship of the Lord is for those who fear him

All: He makes known to us his covenant

Leader: Our eyes are ever toward the Lord

All: He will pluck our feet out of the net.

Song of Adoration

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free,
rolling as a mighty ocean
in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me,
is the current of Thy love;
leading onward, leading homeward,
to thy glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Spread His praise from shore to shore;
how He loveth, ever loveth,
changeth never, nevermore;
how He watches o'er His loved ones,
died to call them all His own;
how for them He intercedeth,
watcheth o'er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Love of ev'ry love the best:
'tis an ocean vast of blessing,
'tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
and it lifts me up to glory,
for it lifts me up to Thee.

Words: Samuel Trevor Francis (1834-1925)
Music: Thomas J. Williams (1890)

Song of Thanksgiving

Forever

Give thanks to the Lord our God and King,
His love endures forever.
For He is good He is above all things,
His love endures forever.
Sing Praise, Sing Praise.

With a mighty hand and outstretched arm,
His love endures forever.
For the life that's been reborn,
His love endure forever.
Sing Praise, Sing Praise.

(chorus)

Forever God is faithful,
Forever God is strong.
Forever God is with us,
Forever

From the rising to the setting sun,
His love endures forever.
And by the grace of God we will carry on,
His love endures forever.
Sing Praise, Sing Praise

(chorus)

Words & Music: Chris Tomlin
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Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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Please see details on pages 10-11 of the bulletin.

Congregational Prayer

Elder Jayson Cleary

Scripture Reading

[Daniel 5:1-9; 17-30](#)

Sermon

The Writing is on the Wall

Reverend Duane Davis

Duane Davis is an ordained teaching elder in the PCA who currently works as an English teacher at Grace Christian School in Cary. He and his wife, Julie, have been married for 19 years and have four children: Aidan, Abby, Stephen, and Jonathan.

Sermon Outline

The Writing is on the Wall

[Daniel 5:1-9; 17-30](#)

1. God Works in the World
2. God Speaks Through His Word
3. The Word of the Cross

Song of Response

How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He hath said, You, who unto Jesus for refuge have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed, For I am thy God, I will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, Upheld by My gracious, omnipotent hand."

In every condition, in sickness, in health; In poverty's vale, or abounding in wealth;
At home and abroad, on the land, on the sea, As thy days may demand, shall thy strength ever be.

When through the deep waters He calls thee to go, The rivers of grief shall not thee overflow.
For He will be with thee, in trouble to bless, And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flames shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine."

"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake!"

Words: R. Keene (1787) | Music: American Folk Tune
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Benediction

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This Week at Midtown

DATE	EVENT	TIME & PLACE
Monday 7.6.2020	Staff Meeting	8pm Zoom
Tuesday 7.7.2020	Apex Community Group Online Meeting	6:30pm Zoom
Tuesday 7.7.2020	Church-Wide Book Club: Men's Week	8pm Williams' Backyard

Midtown News

Church-Wide Book Club: Tuesdays at 8pm, beginning June 23rd

In light of recent events that have brought to surface the long-standing issue of racism in our country, the elders and WST have agreed to create our first ever church-wide book club addressing this topic and we encourage everyone to participate as they are able. Pastor Lindsey has chosen the book [The Color of Compromise: The Truth About The American Church's Complicity In Racism](#), written by Jemar Tisby, a respected black voice within the Christian community and fellow graduate of Reformed Theological Seminary. For the sake of making it easier for couples with young kids and the desire to keep gatherings relatively small in light of Covid-19, we have decided to split this into separate men's and women's studies that will meet every other week beginning with the men on June 23rd and the women on June 30th. All gatherings will take place in the Williams' backyard, located at 2417 Basil Dr. (If you are only comfortable participating via Zoom, please notify the contact below and we will see if we can provide that option). If you would like to participate in this book club, RSVP to the following:

- Women: Sarah Mehalic at svmehalic@gmail.com
- Men: Lindsey Williams at lindsey@midtown-church.org

Note: If you want a hard copy, Pastor Lindsey has ordered 30 copies (the book is sold out on Amazon, but currently won't be in hand until July 1st). So let him know if you want to reserve one of those copies. Otherwise, the book can be purchased on kindle or iTunes immediately. We'll discuss the 1st 2 chapters at the 1st meeting, which can be accessed here: [The Color of Compromise Sneak Peak](#).

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House Church Host Sites

Midtown Church has moved into the "house church" phase of corporate worship, during which we will gather in homes/backyards to watch the online service in a manner that is consistent with phase 2 guidelines issued by Gov. Cooper (Please see Pastor Lindsey's recent email for the details of this). The current host sites are listed below and are open to a limited number of people. We'll keep you updated each week as this list fluctuates. If you would like to worship in-person with other Midtowners, please reach out to the host to see if they have space available. If you would like to serve as a future host site, reach out to [Pastor Lindsey](#) for details.

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Want more information about today's announcements?

Head on over to the website: midtown-church.org/events

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