

# Household Worship Guide

St. John's Baptist Church on March 29, 2020

While we are distancing ourselves physically during this time, we hope you will join us for this virtual worship experience. Follow along here and on the [St. John's Facebook page](#) or [website](#) each Sunday at 10:30am from your home.



## Gathering Music

*Blessed Assurance*

J. Noel Lance

## Words of Welcome

Rev. Dennis W. Foust, PhD

## Call to Worship

Rev. Allison Benfield

## Prayer of Submission

Rev. Benfield

## Hymn of Assurance

*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*



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

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

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

6. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, be Thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home.

## Silent Reflection

Written by Harry Fosdick

O God, come to us, we pray Thee, with the resources of Thy power, that we may be strong within. We ask not for easy lives, but for adequacy. We ask not to be freed from storms, but to build our houses on rock that will not fall. We pray not for a smooth sea, but for a stout ship, a good compass, and a strong heart; in the name of Him who faced enmity and death without flinching, died, Your son, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

## The Church at Prayer

Rev. Lee Gray

## The Lord's Prayer

*Rev. Gray leads while we all read together.*

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.

## Solo

*His Eye Is on the Sparrow*

Tarsha Williams, soloist

## Reading from Scripture: 2 Corinthians 4:17-18

Vija Chilton Thompson, reader

## Devotional Reflection

Dr. Foust



## Song of Hope

*This Is the Day of New Beginnings*

Kevin Gray, soloist

1. This is a day of new beginnings,  
time to remember, and move on,  
time to believe what love is bringing,  
laying to rest the pain that's gone.

2. For by the life and death of Jesus,  
God's mighty Spirit, now as then,  
can make for us a world of difference  
as faith and hope are born again.

3. Then let us, with the Spirit's daring,  
step from the past, and leave behind  
our disappointment, guilt and grieving,  
seeking new paths, and sure to find.

4. In faith we go as God's own people,  
to help and heal as love can do.  
This is our day of new beginnings;  
our God is making all things new.

## Commissioning the Scattered Church

Dr. Foust

# Shalom...

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