

Preview for Service of Word and Sacrament
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Liturgical Color: Green
Westminster Presbyterian Church, Tiburon, California

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Call to Worship (adapted from Psalm 95)

One: O come, let us sing to our GOD;

Many: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

One: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving.

Many: The sea, the depths of the earth, the heights of the mountains, indeed all of creation were made by God.

One: God is our God, and we are God's people.

Many: Let us listen for God's voice as we worship together.

Community Prayer

Gracious God, too often, we cast off your perfect love in favor of fear, which seeks to be our constant companion. Fear surrounds us and blocks our vision and your path. Forgive us for choosing fear when we could have you, your presence, and your way of love and hope as our companion on our journey. Empower us to reject fear, renewing our strength and refreshing our imaginations. Amaze us with your power to make all things new and let us face your world with curiosity and hope. Amen.

Sermon Focus & Title

Recapturing Hope

Sophia Nowlen

College student and WPC member Sophia Nowlen shares about how her experiences working with the coral reefs of Thailand opened her eyes and heart to God's surprising and often unexplainable presence in her life and in the life of all of creation. What does it look like for each of us to hope in God's grace and love even in (or especially in) times of fear or times of doubt?

Scripture Passages

Ecclesiastes 3:11

God has made everything suitable for its time; moreover, God has put a sense of past and future into their minds, yet they cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end.

Romans 5:3-5

And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Hymns

Come, Worship God, No. 386

Great Is Thy Faithfulness, No.39

Quote for Reflection, Discussion, and Prayer

"Hope is the thing with feathers that perches in the soul, and sings the tunes without the words, and never stops at all."

~ Emily Dickinson