

**Worship Service**  
**April 26, 2020**

**GATHERING TOGETHER**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INVITATION TO WORSHIP**      2 Corinthians 4:7-18

**GATHERING SONG**      Blessed Assurance      See Insert

**TIME OF CONFESSION**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**      Meditation from Thais      by Massenet  
Aimee Quinn on Violin

**GROWING IN THE WORD**

**SCRIPTURE READING**      1 Peter 1:3-12

**SERMON**      A LIVING HOPE: Hope and Good News



**GOING INTO THE WORLD**

**CLOSING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**SENDING BLESSING**

*Scripture reading for next week:*  
1 Peter 1:13-21  
"Hope and the Grace of God"

**The flowers today are in honor of Addy Elder's 13<sup>th</sup> birthday!**

*love. grow. serve.*



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## Blessed Assurance

C C F C

1 Bless - ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! O what a  
 2 Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light, vi - sions of  
 3 Per - fect sub - mis - sion, all is at rest, I in my

G D7 G C F

fore - taste of glo - ry di - vine! Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of  
 rap - ture now burst on my sight; an - gels de - scend - ing, bring from a -  
 Sav - ior am hap - py and blest, watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a -

C F C G C

God, born of his Spir - it, washed in his blood.  
 bove ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love.  
 bove, filled with his good - ness, lost in his love.

*Refrain* F C F C G D G

This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais - ing my Sav - ior, all the day long;

## 1 Peter 1:3-12

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup> In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, <sup>7</sup> so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup> Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, <sup>9</sup> obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

<sup>10</sup> Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, <sup>11</sup> inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories. <sup>12</sup> It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which

## A LIVING HOPE: Hope and Good News *1 Peter 1:3-12*

The message of 1 Peter seeks to lay the foundation for a firm faith in Christ, that enables us to forge ahead with a living and enduring hope, even as, and especially as, we face various trials and tribulations as Christ's followers.

### **The Fount of Every Blessing – v. 3a**

### **The Form & Fruition of Every Blessing – v. 3b-12**

#### *1. A Living Hope – v. 3b-5*

#### *2. A Transcendent Joy – v. 6-7*

#### *3. A Certain Salvation – v. 8-9*

#### *4. A Humble Privilege – v. 10-12*

### **Some Quotes:**

"We do not give birth to ourselves, we are not reborn because we believe. We believe because we are reborn." (Martyn Lloyd-Jones)

"All religion that gives nothing, costs nothing, and suffers nothing, is worth nothing." (Martin Luther)

"There are no crown-wearers in heaven who were not cross-bearers here below." (Charles Spurgeon)

"Our problem following Jesus is we're trying to be a better version of us, rather than a more accurate reflection of Him." (Bob Goff)

"Jesus never changed the gospel to make it suit people; he changed people to make them fit into his gospel." (Martyn Lloyd-Jones)

"It is the will of God to have the Spirit of God use the Word of God make the children of God look like the Son of God." (H.B. Charles)