**GATHERED FOR WORSHIP**

**PRELUDE, OPENING PRAYER, WELCOME, & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WORSHIP IN SONG**

**SONG: *“****Your Love Defends Me[[1]](#footnote-1)”*

Verse 1

***You are my joy You are my song, You are the well the One I'm drawing from.***

***You are my refuge my whole life long, Where else would I go?***

Chorus

***Surely my God is the strength of my soul. Your love defends me***

***Your love defends me, And when I feel like I'm all alone***

***Your love defends me, Your love defends me***

Verse 2

***Day after day night after night, I will remember You're with me in this fight.***

***Although the battle it rages on, The war's already won,***

***I know the war is already won***

Bridge

***We sing hallelujah! You're my portion my salvation, Hallelujah!***

Ending

***We sing hallelujah, You're my portion my salvation, Hallelujah***

***You're my portion my salvation, Hallelujah, You're my portion my salvation.***

**SONG: *“****Come Healing,” Leonard Cohen*

**HYMN:** *“Sanctuary”*

***Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.***

***With thanksgiving, I’ll be a living sanctuary for you.***

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION:**

**Holy God, both infinite and intimate, forgive us when we seek from you something less than unity in spirit and love. Forgive us in our shying away from deep relationship with you and in setting you apart from the common encounters of our lives. Help us to know your nearness, to learn your grace, and to embody your image as we live with generosity and compassion. Amen**

**\*WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND THE PASSING OF PEACE**

**HEARING THE WORD OF GOD**

**CHILDREN’S SERMON**

**ROMANS 12:1-8** I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters,\* by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual\* worship. 2Do not be conformed to this world,\* but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.\* 3 For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. 4For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, 5so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. 6We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; 7ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; 8the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

**MATTHEW 16:13-20** Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, ‘Who do people say that the Son of Man is?’ 14And they said, ‘Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.’ 15He said to them, ‘But who do you say that I am?’ 16Simon Peter answered, ‘You are the Messiah,\* the Son of the living God.’ 17And Jesus answered him, ‘Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. 18And I tell you, you are Peter,\* and on this rock\* I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. 19I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.’ 20Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was\* the Messiah.\*

**SERMON**

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD**

**\*HYMN:** #473 “*Blessed Assurance”*

**JOYS & CONCERNS, PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH, LORD’S PRAYER**

 Lord, in your mercy… **Hear our prayers.**

**OFFERING**: Thank you for [supporting our ministries!](https://trumbullcongregationalchurch.breezechms.com/give/online)



**SENT TO SERVE**

**SONG:** *“Shout to the North[[2]](#footnote-2)”*

Verse 1

***Men of faith rise up and sing of the great and glorious King.***

***You are strong when you feel weak, In your brokenness complete***

Chorus

***Shout to the north and the south. Sing to the east and the west.***

***Jesus is Savior to all, Lord of heaven and earth***

Verse 2

***Rise up women of the truth. Stand and sing to broken hearts***

***Who can know the healing pow'r of our awesome King of love***

Verse 3

***Rise up church with broken wings. Fill this place with songs again***

***Of our God who reigns on high. By His grace again we'll fly***

Bridge

***We've been through fire, We've been through rain***

***We've been refined, By the pow'r of His name***

***We've fallen deeper, In love with You***

***You've burned the truth on our lips***

Ending

***Lord of heaven and earth, Lord of heaven and earth, Lord of heaven and earth***

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**



***To add to our prayer list please email Pastor Tim with a brief description of your prayer. Please indicate if you would like the prayer to be listed on an ongoing basis.*** ***tim.hare@trumbullcc.org******.***

~Rev. Fred Jackson, Tim’s friend, experiencing health concerns

 ~Eric Farrell who struggles with his dialysis treatments while continuing his search for a live

 kidney donor: learn more at ynhh.org/organdonation or 866-925-3897.

~Herb Gratrix, continued healing

~Muirgheal Coffin, prayers for continued good health as she struggles with Epilepsy

~Ilana Ofgang, health concerns

~Rose Heiser, Angela Hare’s mother, struggling with health concerns

~Keisa McPartland, recovering from surgery in treatment of her cancer

~Mike Rovello and family, grieving the recent loss of Mike’s mother

~Michelle Consolati, recovering from hip surgery

~Christine Plumeau and family mourning the death of Chris’ sister, Lisabeth Ann Weber

~Kirsten Nestro and family, including her mother, Dorothy, grieving the loss of Kirsten’s

 father, Peter.

~Robert Flemming, Jo Ann Hunt’s son, who is working at Malayaka House, a home

 for at-risk children in Uganda

~Stephanie Marko, Jo Ann Hunt’s friend, who lost her son (48 years old) to heart failure

**GIVING CAMPAIGN UPDATE: Please help us build upon our recent growth and support our ministries by submitting a pledge. Pledge forms have been emailed out, but if the message hasn’t reached you, we’ll be glad to send it upon request. You can also find pledge cards in the sanctuary by the offering box. Pledge cards can be placed in the offering box, or a pledging link will be sent to you upon request for online submission. Simply ask Lisa at office@trumbullcc.org.**

**Currently, we’ve received 46 Pledges for $114,755!!!**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL IS COMING! Let the countdown begin! Calling all Sunday school friends! Looking forward to sharing another year with some of my favorite people! Spread the word and bring a friend, and let’s get ready to learn, grow, and share our faith with others! I look forward to seeing all of you on Sept. 10 at church and Sunday school. - Miss Angela**

**CONCERT COMMITTEE! We are looking for a team to help organize three TCC concerts throughout the year. These concerts are a great way to connect with the community, enjoy time together, and build relationships with our outside partners. Are you interested? Please see Pastor Tim or Michelle Consolati.**

**\*\*OFFICE HOURS: \*\* Please Note new Hours for the Fall:**

**Please feel free to reach out to Lisa – Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays from 9am-12pm at 203-268-2433 or anytime at** **office@trumbullcc.org**

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1. ***Hannah Kerr, Matt Maher CCLI Song #7064861 © 2016 License #11353163*** [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. *Martin Smith CCLI Song #1562261 © 1995 Curious? Music UK License #11353163* [↑](#footnote-ref-2)