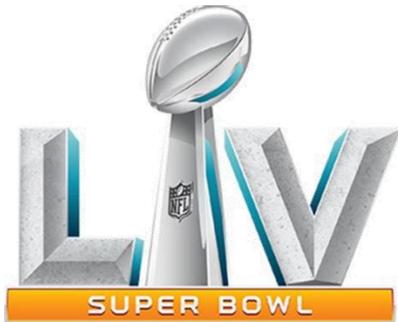


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CALL TO WORSHIP – Bethany Reid

People of God:
As our Creator spoke to the Israelites, saying:
"I am the Lord your God,"
so God lays claim to us in a bond of love.
As God summoned the people
to hear instruction and blessing,
so does God summon us to worship,
to hear his voice.
Let each of you affirm God's love,
declaring in your heart,
"Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."
We open our hearts to God in praise,
affirming God's power, God's love, God's protection.

HYMN *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

The last verse is not in our hymnal, but is one of the original stanzas and a strong affirmation.

Sing praise to God who reigns above,
the God of all creation,
the God of power, the God of love,
the God of our salvation.
With healing balm my soul is filled
and every faithless murmur stilled:
To God all praise and glory.

What God's almighty power has made
God's gracious mercy keepeth;
by morning glow or evening shade
God's watchful eye ne'er sleepeth.
Within the kingdom of God's might,
Lo! all is just and all is right:
To God all praise and glory.

The Lord is never far away,
but through all grief distressing,
an ever present help and stay,
our peace and joy and blessing.
As with a mother's tender hand,
God gently leads the chosen band:
To God all praise and glory.

Thus all my toilsome way along,
I sing aloud thy praises,
that earth may hear the grateful song
my voice unwearied raises.
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart,
both soul and body bear your part:
To God all praise and glory.

Let all who name Christ's holy name
give God all praise and glory;
let all who own his power proclaim
aloud the wondrous story!
Cast each false idol from its throne,
for Christ is Lord, and Christ alone:
To God all praise and glory.





PRAYER OF CONFESSION – Bethany Reid

O God, sometimes we cannot see you,
or hear you speak.
We search for you
and have to strain to hear your voice
and focus our minds and eyes
to see you clearly, without distraction.
We confess that these are hard to do,
especially these days.
And yet you come to us where we are,
in our ordinary,
and sometimes sinful lives.
You forgive us and change our hearts
and clear our vision
through the grace of your son, Jesus,
and his liberating love.
Forgive us again,
as we thank you for your presence in our lives.
In Jesus' name.

(time for silent prayer and reflection)



WORDS OF ASSURANCE—based on Isaiah 55:6-7

*“Seek the Lord while he may be found,
call upon him while he is near.
Let us return to the Lord
that he may have mercy on us,
to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.”*

Friends in Christ, know that our God—the God of love—is always near, always merciful, always pouring forth abundance. Be at peace, love your neighbor, and do the work of reconciliation as ambassadors of Christ in this world.

Thanks be to God!



SONG *God Will Make a Way*

God will make a way
where there seems to be no way;
he works in ways we cannot see,
he will make a way for me.
He will be my guide
hold me closely to his side;
with love and strength for each new day
he will make a way, he will make a way (repeat)

By a roadway in the wilderness, he'll lead me.
Rivers in the desert will I see.
Heaven and earth will fade
but his word will still remain,
and He will do something new today.

God will make a way...

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Isaiah 43: 15-21 – Cathy Draper

Psalm 84: 5-8 – Corey Schlosser-Hall

MESSAGE Springs & Streams

- Corey Schlosser-Hall

PRAYER

HYMN *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*

Make me a channel of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.

Where there is injury, your pardon Lord,
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace.

Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.

Where there is darkness, only light
and where there's sadness, ever joy.

O Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.

It is pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving of ourselves that we receive,
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.



BENEDICTION

May the grace of Christ attend you,
The love of God surround you,
And the Holy Spirit keep you,
That you may live in faith,
Abound in hope,
And grow in love,
Now and forevermore.
And all of God's people said, Amen!

"As the Father has sent me, so I send you."
- John 20:21



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