



For Sake of Life
2nd Sunday after Epiphany
January 16, 2022

NEW COVENANT
 United Methodist Church
 Sunnyvale, Texas

Prelude		John Elfers
Welcome		Rev. Dana Norton
Call to Worship	For Sake of Life, vs. 1&2	Rev. Norton
Responsive Call		Rev. Norton
**Invitation to the Holy Spirit	Surely the Presence	
**Invocation		Rev. Norton
**Opening Hymn	#569 We've a Story to Tell to the Nations	
Prayer of Illumination		Rev. Norton
Scriptures	1 Corinthians 12: 1-11 John 2: 1-11	Audrey Payne
Special Music	Let the Redeemed Medley <i>arr. Jim Gray</i>	Cindy Wolfe and Sarah Reed
**Scripture	Isaiah 62: 1-5	Rev. Norton
Sermon	"We Will Never Forsake"	Rev. Norton
Prayer Song	For Sake of Life Vs. 3	
Prayers of the People	<i>With a time for prayer concerns</i>	Rev. Norton
Lord's Prayer		
Prayer Song	For Sake of Life Vs. 4	
Offertory		Rev. Norton
**Closing Hymn	#140 Great is Thy Faithfulness	
**Benediction		Rev. Norton
Response	#2223 They'll Know We are Christians by Our Love vs. 1	
Postlude		John Elfers

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** Signifies times when we invite you to stand as the Holy Spirit leads you	

Birthdays This Week

Name	Date	Name	Date
John Browning	January 16	David Rippa	January 17
Anna Norton	January 20	Foday Conteh, Cindy Wolfe	January 21

Call to Worship – For Sake of Life v. 1-2

- 1. For sake of life, the face of truth will brighten.
For sake of life, the seeds of hope will root.
For sake of life, the way of peace will lighten
for those who dare to walk for sake of life.**
- 2. For sake of life, the fields are being seeded.
For sake of life, there's still growth in the earth.
For sake of life, we'll share with all that need it
the bread from common soil for sake of life.**

Responsive Call

How precious is the steadfast love of God.
All people may take refuge in the shadow of God's embrace.
Christ is the fountain of life.
In Christ we behold the Light of God.

Invitation to the Holy Spirit:

**Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel his mighty power and his grace.
I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face;
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.**

#569: We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

- 1. We've a story to tell to the nations, that shall turn their hearts to the right, a story of truth and mercy, a story of peace and light, a story of peace and light. For the darkness shall turn to dawning, and the dawning to noonday bright; and Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth, the kingdom of love and light.**
- 2. We've a song to be sung to the nations, that shall lift their hearts to the Lord, a song that shall conquer evil and shatter the spear and the sword, and shatter the spear and the sword. For the darkness shall turn to dawning, and the dawning to noonday bright; and Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth, the kingdom of love and light.**
- 3. We've a message to give to the nations, that the Lord who reigneth above hath sent us his Son to save us, and show us that God is love, and show us that God is love. For the darkness shall turn to dawning, and the dawning to noonday bright; and Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth, the kingdom of love and light.**

(We've a Story to Tell the Nations, continued)

4. We've a Savior to show to the nations, who the path of sorrow hath trod, that all of the world's great peoples might come to the truth of God, might come to the truth of God. For the darkness shall turn to dawning, and the dawning to noonday bright; and Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth, the kingdom of love and light.

Prayer Song: For Sake of Life v. 3 -4

**For sake of life, a righteous wrath needs power.
For sake of life, let streams of justice roll.
For sake of life, the springs of joy will mother
the newborn child of hope for sake of life.**

**For sake of life, our God became an infant.
For sake of life, he lived and died for all.
For sake of life, the time of God is constant;
the kingdom is at hand for sake of life.**

Lord's Prayer:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
kingdom come, will be done, earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
Forgive us our trespasses, we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory.
Amen.**

#140: Great is Thy Faithfulness

**1. Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father, there is no shadow of turning
with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.**

**Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning
new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!**

(Great is Thy Faithfulness, Continued)

**2. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.**

**Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning
new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!**

**3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence
to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!**

**Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning
new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!**

#2223: They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

**We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.**