Exodus 14:19-31

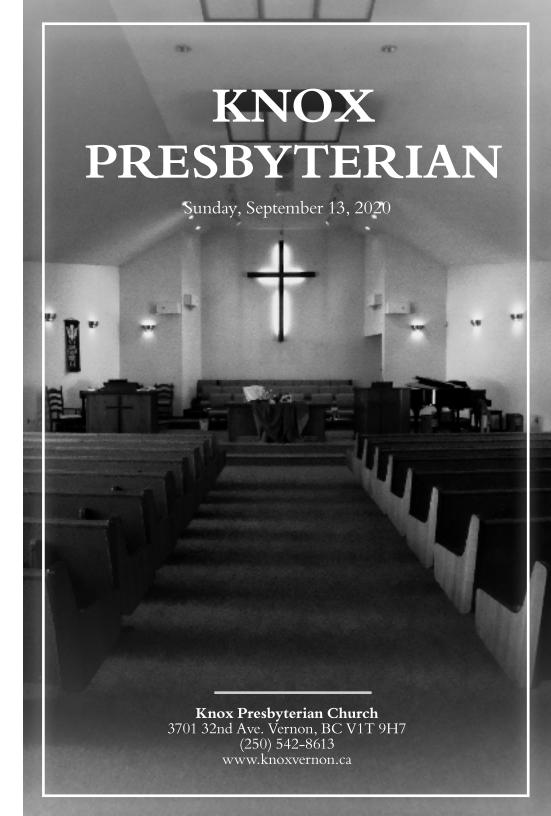
Then the angel of God, who had been traveling in front of Israel's army, withdrew and went behind them. The pillar of cloud also moved from in front and stood behind them, coming between the armies of Egypt and Israel. Throughout the night the cloud brought darkness to the one side and light to the other side; so neither went near the other all night long.

Then Moses stretched out his handover the sea, and all that night the Lord drove the sea back with a strong east wind and turned it into dry land. The waters were divided, and the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left.

The Egyptians pursued them, and all Pharaoh's horses and chariots and horsemen followed them into the sea. During the last watch of the night the Lord looked down from the pillar of fire and cloud at the Egyptian army and threw it into confusion. He jammed he wheels of their chariots so that they had difficulty driving. And the Egyptians said, "Let's get away from the Israelites! The Lord is fighting for them against Egypt."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea so that the waters may flow back over the Egyptians and their chariots and horsemen." Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at daybreak the sea went back to its place. The Egyptians were fleeing toward it, and the Lord swept them into the sea. The water flowed back and covered the chariots and horsemen—the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed the Israelites into the sea. Not one of them survived.

But the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left. That day the Lord saved Israel from the hands of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the shore. And when the Israelites saw the mighty hand of the Lord displayed against the Egyptians, the people feared the Lord and put their trust in him and in Moses his servant.



Worship Service

I love the thrill that I feel when I get together with God's wonderful people

Love the thrill that I feel when I get together with God's wonderful people

What a sight just to see all the happy faces praising God in heavenly places

What a thrill that I feel when I get together with God's wonderful people.

Call to Worship

Our task this day is to cross the sea.
Our task today is to say "yes" to life and faith.
Yes to life and living.
Yes to faithful witness and wonder.
Let us cross the sea together.
Let us worship God.

Opening Hymn - #651 Guide Me O Thou Great Redeemer Opening Prayer

The Pharaoh decrees death to the foreigner.

The power of fear and hate and rage surround us.

In the face of darkness

Forgive us our complacency.

The burning bush flickers beside us.

The presence of God invites us.

In the presence of the holy

Forgive us our lack of notice.

The Red Sea waters stand at attention.

The threshold of grace is breath-taking.

In the company of grace

Forgive us our reticence to embrace.

Elp us move past our fear, past our hate, past our rage

Help us move past our fear, past our hate, past our rage.

Help us move through the waters and emerge on the other side,

Ready to journey with You.

Amen.

Music Moment

Psalm Reading - Psalm 114

Hymn Lord I Lift Your Name on High

Prayers of the People

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Announcements

Hymn - #325 Eternal Father, Strong to Save

Scripture Lesson - Exodus 14:19-31

Meditation

Closing Hymn - #409 O Lord, How Majestic Is Your Name

Benediction

Sung Response

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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