Aldersgate UMC Worship: Home Edition – July 19

Call to Worship: (Psalm 107:28-31) "Lord, help!" they cried in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress. He calmed the storm to a whisper and stilled the waves. What a blessing was that stillness as he brought them safely into harbor! Let them praise the Lord for his great love and for the wonderful things he has done for them.

<u>*Reflect*</u> on past "storms" in your life. <u>*Remember*</u> when the Lord came to your rescue. <u>*Respond*</u> in grateful worship as the center of your life.

Worship Song: "Be the Centre", Worship leader: Cindy Crosby

https://youtu.be/Rx3DrDsgpfo

Prayer of Illumination: Holy Spirit, come fill me with your presence and speak to me through your Word. I need you, and will obey you by your grace and power. I pray this in Jesus name, Amen.

Scripture: Hebrews 6:19-20

(Note: Sermon outline below)

Sermon: "An Anchor for Your Soul"

https://youtu.be/eoXqheSDjKw

"An Anchor for Your Soul"

(Hebrews 6:19-20) This hope is a strong and trustworthy anchor for our souls. It leads us through the curtain into God's inner sanctuary. Jesus has already gone in there for us. He has become our eternal High Priest in the order of Melchizedek.

(Jeremiah 29:11) For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.

Three (3) Ways to Put Our Anchor into Action

1. Hope in Jesus gives us a different place to look.

(Hebrews 12:1-2) ...Let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith...

2. Hope in Jesus gives us a different way to think.

(Colossians 3:2) Think about the things of heaven, not the things of earth.

3. Hope in Jesus gives us a different life to live.

(Psalm 31:24) So be strong and courageous, all you who put your hope in the Lord.

Special Music: "Hebrews 6:19" by Saddleback Kids

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VL-9OkKYfXM

Prayer: Lord, you are the Storm Master. I praise you of your sovereignty over all things. I thank you for your power and wisdom when you have rescued me from storms in the past. I thank you for going through storms with me. Your presence gives me the strength I need to endure difficult days. You are my God and my King. Lead me in your ways and I will follow. I lift up my requests to you now...

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*Closing Song: "It Is Well With My Soul", Worship leader: Cindy Crosby

https://youtu.be/uP0U2AIDKSI

Blessing: Lift up your face, and receive this blessing. With the Lord at your side, you have nothing to fear. Be filled with his peace that surpasses all understanding when facing any storm that comes your way. In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, Amen!