Aldersgate UMC Worship: Home Edition - May 3

Call to Worship: This is not just an email to read, but a presence to celebrate. Prepare yourself to step beyond the thin veil that separates the visible from the invisible. Dare to believe the unseen reality of God's presence right there with you. Embrace his loving arms around you, and honor him with joyous worship. Let his presence fill your soul like a deep river of living water.

Worship Song: "*The River is Here*" by Vineyard Worship https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UYzEvsws3A4

Prayer of Illumination: Lord, open my heart and mind by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read, and your Word proclaimed, I may hear with joy what you say to me today. Amen.

Scripture: Luke 8:26-35 (Also 1 Pe. 5:8, Eph. 6:12, Acts 19:15-16, James 4:7, Rom. 16:20

Sermon: "Facing Invisible Enemies"

https://youtu.be/BN9VqdV4xVk

Special Music: "Song of Deliverance" by Zack Williams (special thanks to Deb) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iZNXii1gzh

Prayer: I praise you Lord, for you are my fortress and my shield. Whom should I fear? I lift my hands to you, and drop the chains of fear that try to stop me from living life to the fullest, and for your glory. Thank you for your presence in me. You promise to never leave me or forsake me. I claim that promise right now. I am fully confident that I have nothing to fear. Direct my path and I will follow you into eternity. (Follow up with whatever you want to say or ask of God.)

Offering: Mail in your tithes & offerings to Aldersgate UMC, 5767 Sellger Dr. Norfolk, VA. 23502. Or give online at our website: www.AldersgateNorfolk.org

Closing Song: "I Am Thine O' Lord (I Am Thine)" Cindy Crosby

(You may want to download the lyrics to sing along)

https://youtu.be/zKc238pjnP

I am Thine O Lord I have heard Thy voice

And it told Thy love to me

But I long to rise in the arms of faith

And be closer drawn to Thee

Chorus

Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord

To the cross where Thou hast died

Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer blessed Lord

To Thy precious bleeding side

Consecrate me now to Thy service Lord

By the pow'r of grace divine

Let my soul look up with a steadfast hope

And my will be lost in Thine

There are depths of love that I cannot know

Till I cross the narrow sea

There are heights of joy that I may not reach

Till I rest in peace with Thee

Blessing: Lift up your face and receive this blessing. You are filled with the presence and power of the Lord. Walk boldly and humbly. Be confident that no evil can stop you from accomplishing God's will. Rejoice and be glad. In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, Amen!