



Questions About Buddhism

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Father's Day

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PRELUDE/ COUNTDOWN
WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor

WELCOMING OF GUESTS

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PASSING THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist

(Based on Psalm 23)

Liturgist: We rejoice in the One who leads us beside still waters,

Congregation: And gives us refreshment of soul.

Liturgist: Christ our Shepherd shows us the way we should go,

Congregation: So that the name of God will be glorified.

Liturgist: Though all manner of evil befall us, we will not be afraid,

Congregation: For the Great Shepherd of our souls is with us.

Liturgist: We are never away from the love and mercy of the Lord,

Congregation: And we shall be with him for ever and ever.

All: Amen!

*HYMN OF PRAISE

I Stand Amazed (v. 1-5)

UMH #371

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Modern Affirmation

Liturgist

Liturgist: Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true Church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us now declare:

Congregation: We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.

We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father's unailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.

We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ and find strength and help in time of need.

We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI OLD TESTAMENT READING: Psalm 23 A Psalm of David (NKJV)** Liturgist

The LORD *is* my shepherd; I shall not want. ² He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. ³ He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness For His name's sake. ⁴ Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You *are* with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. ⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over. ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me All the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of the LORD Forever.

Liturgist: This is the word of God for the people of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor

CHILDREN'S PRAYER

Dear Heavenly Father, thank you for giving us peace when we are afraid. Help us to have "SHALOM" all the time. IN Jesus' Name we pray, Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Phillipians 4:6-7 (NKJV)

Liturgist

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; ⁷ and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Liturgist: This is the word of God for the people of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

MISSION MOMENT

PRESENTATION OF PRAYERS AND PRAISE

Pastor

If you have a prayer need or praise that you would like to share with the congregation, please fill out a card and pass it toward the center aisle of the congregation as we are singing the Hymn of Preparation. The pastor will collect the cards during the song and pray over the cards at the chancel rail.

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

Children of the Heavenly Father (v. 1-

4)

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PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor

SERMON ANTHEM

How Can I Keep From Singing

Choir

SERMON

Pastor

Title: "Questions About Buddhism"

Theme: Christianity and World Religions

Purpose: To discuss the similarities and differences between Christianity and Buddhism.

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND SACRIFICES (Celebrating Our Gifts)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Good and Faithful God: We bring our tithes and offerings to you this morning as part of our act of praise. The psalmist reminds us that you have filled our cup to overflowing, and we are convicted by the image that perhaps we have only offered to you what spills out of our full cup. In your grace and love, let us see it instead that your love and blessing will not be

contained in any vessel, but will always overflow to reach and bless others. May we not only see it this way, but may we live it in lives of generosity. In the name of Christ who gave all and held nothing back. Amen.

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings* See screen

*HYMN OF CELEBRATION *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* (v. 1-3) UMH #133

*COMMISSION / BENEDICTION
Pastor

(Based on Philippians 4:1-9, Matthew 22:1-14)

Go forth, strengthened to do the work of Christ, standing in the gap, extending the invitation to the eternal banquet, rejoicing in God. Let your gentleness be known to everyone and don't worry about anything. The God who created you, the Christ who redeems you and the Spirit who empowers you is with you today and ever more...and all of God's people said...Amen.

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE *Love and Fellowship* See screen

POSTLUDE

*The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor and loving memory of fathers
by
Bob & Donna Corson*