Privileged to Serve
SpeakerVander Mass
Announcements/PrayerTerry Dyer
Song LeaderAndy Duncan
Attendance Terry Dyer/Jacob King
Morning
Scripture/Opening Prayer Randy Rives
Lord's Supper
Dwight Callens *
Lloyd Smith*
Dick Vinson
Jacob King
Closing PrayerStan Raley
Evening
Opening PrayerJoshua Rushing
Lord's Supper
Dwight Callens *
Lloyd Smith*
Closing PrayerJack Mears
Communion Preparation
Month of MarchAngela Duncan
Month of April Kathy St. Clair
Nursery Attendant; Backup
March 8Lara King; Katie Agan
March 15
Wednesday Evening – March 11, 2020
Prayer/AnnouncementsRandy Rives
Song Leader Andy Duncan
DevotionalLamar King
Service Times
SUNDAY
Bible Study
Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Bible Study6:00 p.m.

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Welcome Visitors!

It is very likely that you have heard about the damaging storms that swept through Middle Tennessee late Monday night and early Tuesday morning. You have likely seen pictures of the aftermath and heard heartbreaking stories of families that are dealing with immense loss. The truth is, there are times where devastating things happen to us on this earth and we are left asking the question, "Why?" When tragedies like this strike, I am reminded of two things.

First, no matter what happens on this earth, our God remains in control. There is a worship song titled Eye of the Storm that articulates this truth beautifully. The song never shies away from the fact that bad things happen on this earth, but the lyrics center around the beauty of the chorus, which says,

In the eye of the storm, You remain in control. In the middle of the war, You guard my soul. You alone are the anchor when my sails are torn. Your love surrounds me in the eye of the storm.

How amazing is it that we serve a God who is Supreme over all things on this earth, even the bad ones? I am so thankful that He is always in control.

Second, I am reminded of how thankful I am that this life is only temporary. I am reminded of the beautiful words of Revelation 21 that describe eternal life. Verse 4 says, "He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain any- more, for the former things have passed away." I am so thankful, especially in the wake of tragedies that the life that I am living for is not this finite, temporary life, but a never-ending, pain free life in the presence of God.

There is much pain in this temporary world. Maybe you are hurting in your life right now. If that is the case, I ask you to cling on to God's omnipotent control and the fact that there is life much greater than this one waiting for those who love the Lord. Thanks be to God for His love and power. He loves you, and so do I.

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