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God is still speaking.

Sunday, July 12th, 2020 worship service

Prelude “Don’t Turn Him Away” (Lillenas) Shari Ohm

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship *(From the Heidelberg Catechism)*

Pastor: What is your only comfort in life and death?

People: *That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Saviour Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil. He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head. Indeed, all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit He also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for Him.*

Opening Prayer

Song “Christ Our Hope in Life & Death” Getty Music

Scripture 2 Chronicles 7:11-16

Special Music “Day by Day” (Brasee) Bev Junker (Piano)

Sermon “Who is God?: Part V – A God of Hope”

Closing Song “My Hope is in the Lord”

Benediction

Postlude “We’ve A Story to Tell the Nations” (Nichol) Shari Ohm

Scripture Reading: 2 Chronicles 7:11-16

¹¹ When Solomon had finished the temple of the LORD and the royal palace, and had succeeded in carrying out all he had in mind to do in the temple of the LORD and in his own palace, ¹² the LORD appeared to him at night and said: “I have heard your prayer and have chosen this place for myself as a temple for sacrifices.

¹³ “When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command locusts to devour the land or send a plague among my people, ¹⁴ if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land. ¹⁵ Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayers offered in this place. ¹⁶ I have chosen and consecrated this temple so that my Name may be there forever. My eyes and my heart will always be there.

SERMON NOTES:

There are three precepts throughout the Word of God that are constant and notable within 2 Chronicles 7:14:

- I.** If we are to become spiritually healed we must begin by becoming _____ . “If my people who are called by My name _____ themselves.”

- II.** If we are to become spiritually healed we must become _____ for the things of God. “If my people who are called by My name _____ and _____ my face.”

- III.** If we are to become spiritually healed we must desire _____ . “If my people who are called by My name _____ from their wicked ways.”

- IV.** Our God provides _____ for all people and for all nations.