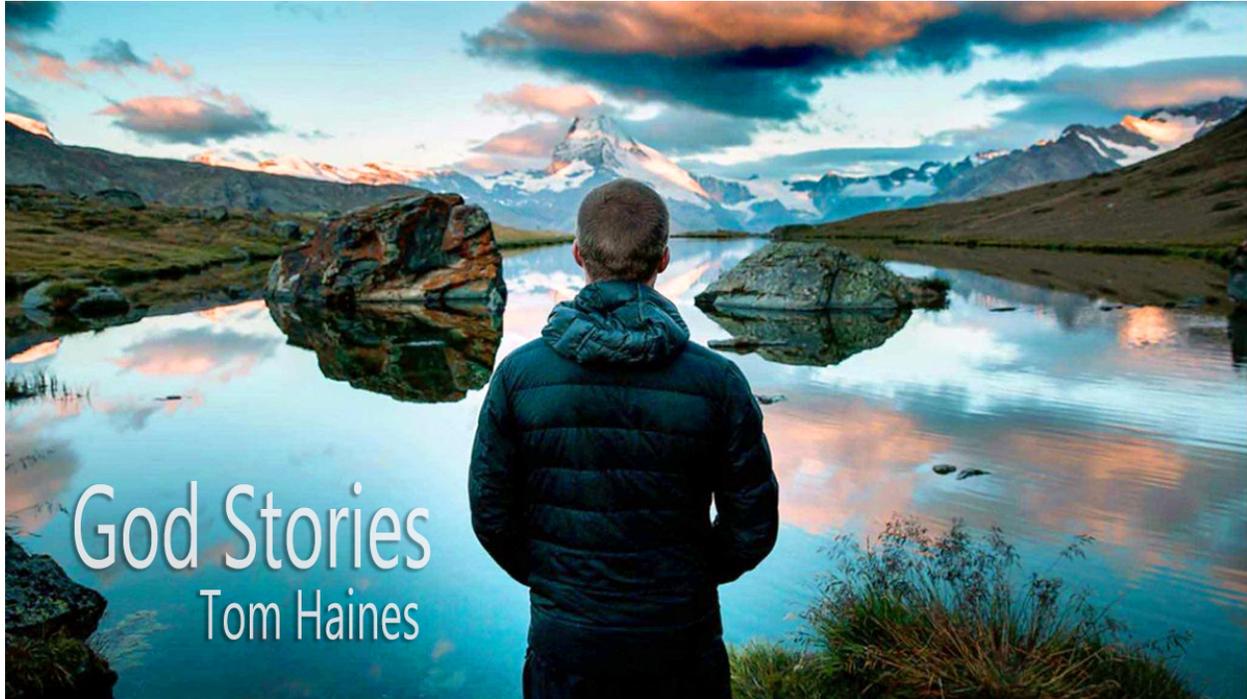


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LEARNING TOGETHER TO BE FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST, REFLECTING GOD'S LIGHT INTO THE WORLD



*We praise God, who is known to us in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
We pray for God to bless us so that we may be a blessing to others.
We pray for Jesus to be with us, as he promised to be, whenever we gather in his name.
We pray for the Spirit to make our worship holy, joyful, and true.*

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

OPENING MUSIC *"More Love to Thee, O Christ"* *arr. Mark Hayes/William Seale, piano*

WELCOME *Tom Haines*

CALL TO WORSHIP *Kristen Hurd*

God rewards those who diligently seek him, forsaking the world and entering into fellowship with Him through the Christ spirit of God, which is expressed all things as a living example of the great love He has so richly bestowed upon us.

So, let's us empty ourselves of ourselves as we prepare our hearts for worship with eager expectation, to be flooded with the light of God's word, changing our heart's , renewing our minds, regenerating our spirits, strengthening us to be worthy emissaries of the light carrying God's love into the dark and shadowy places of our families, loved ones and into our communities and the world. Amen.

WORSHIP & PRAISE *"Lord, Listen To Your Children Praying"* Medema/Tom & Olivia Haines

(Chorus)

Lord, listen to Your children praying, Lord, send Your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to Your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace!

Something's gonna happen like the world has never known,
when the people of the Lord get down to pray.
A door's gonna swing open, and the walls come tumblin' down,
when the people of the Lord get down to pray.

(Chorus)

He's gonna take over, He's gonna take control,
when the people of the Lord get down to pray.
He's gonna move the mountains, gonna make those waters roll,
when the people of the Lord get down to pray.

(Chorus)

You're gonna know it, When the Lord stretches out His hand,
when the people of the Lord, get down to pray.
There's gonna be a brand new song of victory in this land,
when the people of the Lord Get down to pray.

(Chorus)

PRAYER of CONFESSION

**Convict us, Oh God, of our hardened hearts, our non-contrite spirit
towards others whom we might discount or look down upon.**

**Open the eyes of our understanding so that we might see how our narrow,
ego-centric minds prevent us from perceiving your kingdom of love and acceptance.**

**Shape the stories of our lives as a witness of your great glory and purposes.
Change us, Oh God, from the inside out, through your Christ Spirit,
burrowing deep into the very core of our being.**

**Break us, renew us, revive our spirits, making us agents of change
and instruments of peace. Sharing with every person the love
that has been given to us so completely and freely, Amen.**

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Adam Hayden

SCRIPTURE LESSON *Mark 4:1-25*

4 And again He began to teach by the sea. And a great multitude was gathered to Him, so that He got into a boat and sat in it on the sea; and the whole multitude was on the land facing the sea.² Then He taught them many things by parables, and said to them in His teaching:

³ "Listen! Behold, a sower went out to sow.⁴ And it happened, as he sowed, that some seed fell by the wayside; and the birds of the air came and devoured it.⁵ Some fell on stony ground, where it did not have much earth; and immediately it sprang up because it had no depth of earth.⁶ But when the sun was up it was scorched, and because it had no root it withered away.⁷ And some seed fell among thorns; and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no crop.⁸ But other seed fell on good ground and yielded a crop that sprang up, increased and produced: some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some a hundred."⁹ And He said to them, "Anyone who has an ear to hear, let them hear!"¹⁰ But when He was alone, those around Him with the twelve asked Him about the parable.¹¹ And He said to them, "To you it has been given to know the mystery of the kingdom of God; but to those who are outside, all things come in parables,¹² so that 'seeing they may see and not perceive, and hearing they may hear and not understand; Lest they should turn, and their sins be forgiven them.'¹³ And He said to them, "Do you not understand this parable? How then will you understand all the parables?"¹⁴ The sower sows the word.¹⁵ And these are the ones by the wayside where the word is sown. When they hear, Satan comes immediately and takes away the word that was sown in their hearts.¹⁶ These likewise are the ones sown on stony ground who, when they hear the word, immediately receive it with gladness;¹⁷ and they have no root in themselves, and so endure only for a time. Afterward, when tribulation or persecution arises for the word's sake, immediately they stumble.¹⁸ Now these are the ones sown among thorns; they are the ones who hear the word,¹⁹ But the cares of this world, the deceitfulness of riches, and the desires for other things entering in choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful.²⁰ But these are the ones sown on good ground, those who hear the word, accept it, and bear fruit: some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some a hundred."²¹ Also He said to them, "Is a lamp brought to be put under a basket or under a bed? Is it not to be set on a lampstand?"²² For there is nothing hidden which will not be revealed, nor has anything been kept secret but that it should come to light.²³ If anyone has an ear to hear, let them hear."²⁴ Then He said to them, "Take heed what you hear. With the same measure you use, it will be measured to you; and to you who hear, more will be given.²⁵ For whoever has, to him more will be given; but whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him.

Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE *“God Stories”*

Tom Haines

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

Give thanks to God for the financial blessings you share with the world through the PCW congregation. Bless your gifts as you prepare to them to send to the church or give online at pcwyoming.org

OFFERTORY MUSIC *“Ode to Joy”*

Beethoven /Henry Hurd, piano

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Use the prayer page to pray for the those who are ill, and the needs of our world and congregation.

THE LORD’S PRAYER *(read in unison)*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

GO IN GOD’S NAME

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *“Holy, Holy, Holy”*

arr. Mark Hayes, William Seale, piano

*Thank you to Carolyn DeYoung for providing the Sanctuary flowers
in honor of PCW family and friends.*

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please send you prayer requests and Yay Gods! to dhaines@pcwyoming.org

FOR PRAYER

THIS WEEK

Leaders - Mo Miller - Elder

John Quinn - Deacon

Connie Golden - Church Staff

CANCER

Lisa Bernheisel - colon cancer

Natalie Allmond's mother - in hospice care

Karen Brown LaGard - Leukemia

Jeff Bartlett - leukemia, Ron Stoerker's cousin

**Ann Miller Hernandez - recurring cancer,
daughter of Paul and Peggy Miller**

Rachel Bens - family of Shandra Harris

Marjorie Smith - blood cancer, wife of Rich Smith

CONTINUED PRAYER

**Rick Engelman - recuperating from heart surgery,
son of Lamie Engelman**

**Norm Thomas - recovering from hip surgery at
home**

**Winnie Petree - home recovering in her apart-
ment at Maple Knoll**

**Gloria Kuhn - hospice, Susan Anderson's
mother**

Phil Fox - health concerns, assisted living

**Pat Harris - heart issues, sister-in-law of
Shandra Harris**

Cynthia Towne - brain tumor is stable

**Pat Connors - breast and bone cancer in
remission, George Lewis' mother-in-law**

Joyce Leifheit - awaiting kidney transplant

Our Missionaries - The Benadums and Myhres

Prayers for all with ongoing situations

All dealing with sickness and fear of sickness

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Please hold in you prayers the family of Jay Sikes, who passed away June 21.

Please remember in your prayers the family of Donna Dinkelaker, who died on July 3.

PRAYER SCRIPTURE

Deuteronomy 31:6 *Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for the LORD your God, He is the One who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you.*