

PRAY FOR OUR NATION!

May God's love light your way.

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Dear Immanuel Family,

Let us all be in prayer for our nation. The following message and call to prayer comes from the Rev. Brad Munroe, our Pastor to the Presbytery.

Grace and Peace to you and our Land,
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As protestors storm the US Capitol building, breaching police lines and barriers during the orderly debate inside, I ask that we all pause where we are and pray for our nation, for ALL our leaders, for all seeking to maintain order and safety at the Capitol, for all in Washington and in our country, for all deeply concerned believing a wide variety of things.

Trusting in our sovereign God who entered a tumultuous and struggling world the first time and is with us always, even to the end of the age, and joining God's people over the years, including Jesus, who have cried out, humbled themselves and prayed earnestly throughout the world, may we pray the Psalms for ourselves, our leaders and our nation.

[Psalm 46:1-10 \(NRSV\)](#)

"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. Selah. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah. Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what desolations he has brought on the earth. He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire. "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth." The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge."

[*Psalm 146:1-10 \(NRSV\)*](#)

"Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul! I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long. Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help. When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish. Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous. The Lord watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin. The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord!"

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[*"2021 Storming of the United States Capitol"*](#)

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