

seek revenge. Father, we repent of all our foolish ways and weakness, forgive us. Allow us to stand firm in your love and faith knowing that you ARE good and faithful. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Beloved, hear the Good News, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Hallelujah! Amen!

*** GLORIA PATRI**

Blue Hymnal #579

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X-ZS4jUy2Dc>

*** SHARE THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

One: Peace be with you!

All: And also with you!

One: As God's forgiven people, share the peace of Christ with each other (from your seat please).

CHILDREN'S TIME

God Of All Nations

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Blobyzk7ajg>

Hear the Word of God

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

O Lord you are the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. You will not grow tired or weary, and your understanding no one can fathom. You give strength to the weary and you increase the power of the weak. Lord, even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in you Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint. Come, King of all nations, for your people wait expectantly upon you. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Kings 19:1-4, 8-15

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Kings+19%3A1-4%2C+8-15&version=NIV>

PSALM READING

Psalms 42

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+42&version=NIV>

CHORAL ANTHEM

"How Happy Is Each Child of God"

Choir

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=awv_hVHHttQ

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Galatians 3:23-29

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Galatians+3%3A23-29&version=NIV>

GOSPEL READING

Luke 8:26-39

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+8%3A26-39&version=NIV>

LEADER: The Word of the Lord

ALL: Thanks be to God

SERMON **“Melek Ha-Goyim, King of the Nations” Elder, Fred Archer**
Jeremiah 10:6-7
Written by Dr. Carlos Baladez

“No one is like you, Lord; you are great, and your name is mighty in power. Who should not fear you, King of the nations? This is your due. Among all the wise leaders of the nations and in all their kingdoms, there is no one like you.” (NIV)

In Genesis we see Elohim, a singular name with a plural ending speaking of mystery and wonder right from the beginning. Why a plural ending on a singular name? God is not explained nor understood. But God is experienced, directly, indirectly, and personally.

About 2,000 years later we have Abraham on the scene. God calls a pagan gentile man to become the head of a new nation, Israel. 400 years later we see Moses appear and God makes a conditional covenant with Israel the nation. “If you will” ... “I will...” A conditional covenant is just that, conditional. Keeping it brings about blessings while breaking it brings curses and punishment. For nearly 1,000 years, from the time of Moses to the time of Jeremiah, God patiently waits for his people to be faithful to the covenant.

Jeremiah warns his people, threatens them, and even tries to persuade them to keep the covenant but to no avail.

It is in this context the name of God is revealed, Melek Ha-Goyim, King of the Nations.

Jeremiah warns his people, the Israelites, of coming punishments, torments, sufferings, and death. Jeremiah confronts the people of God with the one truth, God is not only the God over Israel he is also God of all other nations.

God can and will bring one nation to punish another, in this case, Babylon to punish Israel for her unfaithfulness.

This both brings fear and comfort to God’s people it means Melek-Ha-Goyim is King, Ruler, and Master over all the nations. It also means God cares for all of the nations of the earth. All nations are under His rule and no other. One nation can only do to another nation what God allows and no more.

In our verse for today Jeremiah tells us that there is no one like Melek-Ha-Goyim, the Lord Yahweh is great and Yahweh’s name is great and mighty. Yahweh alone is to be feared, respected, and awed, for Yahweh is none other than Melek-Ha-Goyim, King of the nations.

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Or you can save them and gather them until we meet again. Thank you!

*** DOXOLOGY**

Blue Hymnal # 592

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uyg6-htOthU>

*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Bountiful Lord, by your strength, your blessings, and your grace we are able to earn a living. We recognize the gifts we bring to you today as having their source in you. Accept them as a love offering from us to you. Amen.

*** CLOSING HYMN**

"Faith of Our Fathers"

Red Hymnal #404

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7EVPVS9EGeQ>

*** BENEDICTION**

Blessed are all who fear the LORD, who walk in obedience to him. You will eat the fruit of your labor; blessings and prosperity will be yours. Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your children will be like olive shoots around your table. Yes, this will be the blessing for the man who fears the LORD. May the LORD bless you from Zion; may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life. May you live to see your children's children—peace be on Israel. Go in the Peace of the Lord. Amen.

*** POSTLUDE**

The End of this Worship Meeting — The Beginning of Service

Next Sunday, Elder, Fred Archer will continue with our sermon series, "Knowing God by Name."

Weekly Calendar

TBD

TBD

Food Pantry

TBD

TBD

Clothes Closet

Sunday

10:00 AM

Sunday School

Sunday

11:00 Am

Worship Service

Holy Communion is observed the First Sunday of each month.

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