

**6:30 – 6:40am: Praise Song**

*-During this time, we will learn a new praise song that invites us to open our hearts before God*

Another in the Fire – Hillsong

<https://youtu.be/ScK3v5gcBK0?si=AQubBcCHFvcd0TwB>

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There's a grace when the heart is under fire  
Another way when the walls are closing in  
And when I look at the space between  
Where I used to be and this reckoning  
I know I will never be alone

There was another in the fire  
Standing next to me  
There was another in the waters  
Holding back the seas

And should I ever need reminding  
Of how I've been set free  
There is a cross that bears the burden  
Where another died for me  
There is another in the fire

All my debt left for dead beneath the waters  
I'm no longer a slave to my sin anymore  
And should I fall in the space between  
What remains of me and this reckoning

Either way I won't bow  
To the things of this world  
And I know I will never be alone

There is another in the fire  
Standing next to me  
There is another in the waters  
Holding back the seas

And should I ever need reminding  
What power set me free  
There is a grave that holds no body  
And now that power lives in me  
Nothing stands between us

And I can see the light in the darkness  
As the darkness bows to Him  
I can hear the roar in the heavens  
As the space between wears thin

I can feel the ground shake beneath us  
As the prison walls cave in  
Nothing stands between us

There is no other name  
But the Name that is Jesus  
He who was and still is  
And will be through it all

So come what may in the space between  
All the things unseen and this reckoning  
I know I will never be alone

There'll be another in the fire  
Standing next to me  
There'll be another in the waters  
Holding back the seas

And should I ever need reminding  
What power set me free  
I'll count the joy come every battle  
'Cause I know that's where You'll be

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## 6:40 – 6:50am: Scripture Reading & Devotional

Today's reading comes from [John 16:25-33](#).

But take courage; I have conquered the world!

There's no greater encouragement and comfort that Jesus could give his disciples in his final hour.

This is the end of Jesus' final words to his disciples before Jesus begins to pray for them.

If we remember, Jesus began his words with a new commandment, a new task for his disciples – that we should love one another as Jesus has loved us.

And the way we will accomplish that task is because Jesus is with us. And this is how Jesus closes his final words. Jesus has said that he and the Father are one – what Jesus has comes from the Father, and Father has given it to Jesus. All power, all authority, all the Words, and all of us. We are God's and God has entrusted us to Jesus.

All of this Jesus has said so that we might have peace.

And we need peace because even Jesus did not promise no pain. In fact, Jesus lets us know that there will be persecution. The hatred from the world is because it hated Jesus first. And if we say we believe and follow him, then the world will hate us, too.

But take courage; for Jesus has conquered the world!

The battles that we face may seem overwhelming. Like there's no way out. But Jesus drove out the money changers from the temple so that we would never be exploited again. And even in the darkest tomb, dead four days without hope, Jesus rolled away the stone and called out the dead back to life.

No matter what may come, Jesus has conquered death. And that Jesus is with us now so that we are never alone.

Listen to Jesus whisper to us – Take courage for I have conquered the world!

## 6:50 – 7:10am: Prayer

First, pray for peace across the world. Pray for the end of war and violence. For the end of bloodshed and conflict. For lasting peace and reconciliation. For the restoration and rebuilding of broken communities.

Secondly, pray for our country and community. That our community may thrive. That we may come together and work together to build up our community, so that all who live, work, and play here may have all that they need to thrive.

Thirdly, pray for our church and all the young people who come here. From preschool to youth. To believe that we can make a difference in their lives because of Jesus. To pray for their safety and protection.

Lastly, pray for courage. Whatever we face this day, we do not face it alone. And if we need to do something outside our comfort zone, let us lean on Jesus.

## 7:10 – to whenever: Personal prayer time

*-During this time, there will be gentle instrumental music that will play in the background and all are invited to stay as long as they wish in prayerful posture, lifting up everything into God's hands.*