



*the open door ~ praise & worship service
...in a religion born in a barn, an open door goes without saying*

10.19.16 • 7:00 pm

welcome & announcements

visual reflection "Psalm 121" [by TWOTP, music by Cameron Dezen]

song "Meet with Me"

song "Lord, I Need You"

prayers of the people

gospel reading "Luke 18:1-8" (MSG)

¹⁻³ *Jesus told them a story*

*showing that it was necessary for them
to pray consistently and never quit.*

He said,

*"There was once a judge in some city who never gave God a thought
and cared nothing for people.*

A widow in that city kept after him:

'My rights are being violated. Protect me!'

⁴⁻⁵ *"He never gave her the time of day.*

But after this went on and on he said to himself,

'I care nothing what God thinks,

even less what people think.

But because this widow won't quit badgering me,

I'd better do something and see that she gets justice—

otherwise I'm going to end up

beaten black-and-blue by her pounding.'"

⁶⁻⁸ *Then the Master said,*

*"Do you hear what that judge,
corrupt as he is, is saying?
So what makes you think God won't step in
and work justice for his chosen people,
who continue to cry out for help?
Won't he stick up for them?
I assure you, he will.
He will not drag his feet.
But how much of that kind of persistent faith
will the Son of Man find on the earth when he returns?"*

The Word of God to the people of God!

Thanks be to God!

children's moment

reflection "risk as the leper | persist like the widow"

presentation of the offerings

song "Break Every Chain"

dance party with Jesus "Everybody Praise the Lord"

benediction & passing the peace