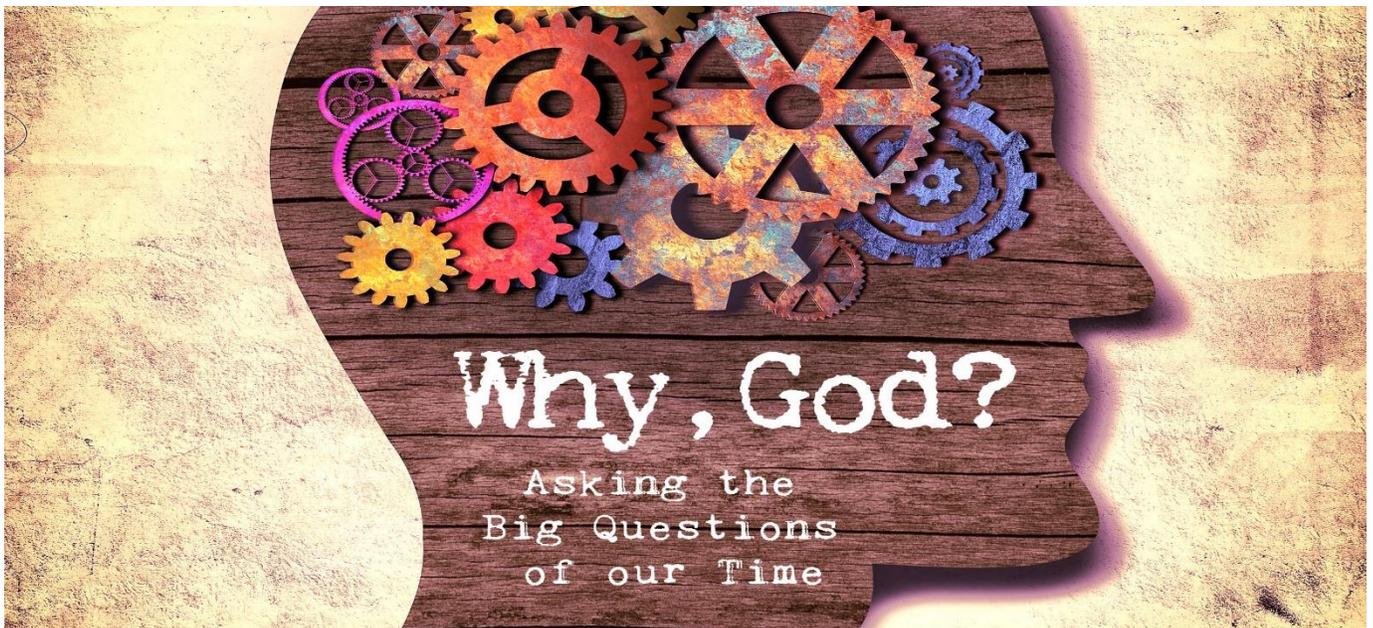




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**Welcome:** Maddie Dryer & Jackson Connors

**A Word with Pastor Brian**

**Singing Together:** Worship Team

"Oh My Soul"

Verse 1

Oh my soul oh how you worry. Oh how you're weary  
From fearing you've lost control. This was the one thing  
you didn't see coming and no one would blame you  
though, if you cried in private. If you tried to hide it away  
so no one knows. No one will see if you stop believing

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## **Chorus**

Oh my soul you are not alone  
There's a place where fear has to face the God you know.  
One more day He will make a way, let Him show you how you can lay this down.  
( 'Cause you're not alone)

## **Verse 2**

Here and now you can be honest. I won't try to promise that someday it all works out  
'Cause this is the valley and even now He is breathing on your dry bones.  
And there will be dancing, there will be beauty where beauty was ash and stone.  
This much I know

## **Bridge**

I'm not strong enough I can't take anymore  
(You can lay it down you can lay it down)  
And my shipwrecked faith will never get me to shore  
(You can lay it down you can lay it down)  
Can He find me here? Can He keep me from going under?

## **Ending**

Oh my soul you are not alone

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## **Scripture Reading: Ron Johnson**

Romans 8:18-28

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to

the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.

**Message: “Why God? Pt. 1”** Pastor Brian Kirk, Bev Grienke, Neal Zeilinger, Ann Pittman Zarate, Carol Pittman, Tom Russell, Holly Rudolph

**Special Music:** Beth McLenaghan, Maddie Dryer, Jackson Connors, Colton Connors  
“I Will Rise”

**Verse 1**

There's a peace I've come to know, though my heart and flesh may fail  
There's an anchor for my soul, I can say it is well

**Pre-Chorus**

Jesus has overcome and the grave is overwhelmed  
The victory is won. He is risen from the dead

**Chorus**

(And) I will rise when He calls my name  
No more sorrow no more pain, I will rise on eagle's wings  
Before my God fall on my knees. And rise I will rise (I will rise)

**Verse 2**

There's a day that's drawing near, when this darkness breaks to light.  
And the shadows disappear and my faith shall be my eyes

**Bridge**

And I hear the voice of many angels sing  
Worthy is the Lamb  
And I hear the cry of ev'ry longing heart  
Worthy is the Lamb

**(REPEAT)**

Worthy is the Lamb

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**Praying Together:** Jessie Lent, Elder

**Breaking Bread:**

**Lord's Prayer** – *(Please use whatever words are most familiar to you.)*

Our Creator, who is in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your Kingdom come, Your will

be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

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**Closing Song:** Worship Team  
"My Life Is In You"

### **Chorus**

My life is in You Lord  
My strength is in You Lord  
My hope is in You Lord  
In You it's in You  
My life is in You Lord  
My strength is in You Lord  
My hope is in You Lord  
In You it's in You

### **Verse**

I will praise You  
With all of my life  
I will praise You  
With all of my strength  
With all of my life  
With all of my strength  
All of my hope is in You

### **Ending**

In You

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**Going Forth:** Kayla Harris

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

**All the medical and health care professionals** serving during this pandemic.

**John & Megan Pros**, expecting a child in August

**Keisha Davis'** Aunt Gail dealing with health issues

**Susan Zion & Kelly Medsker** recovering from knee surgery

**Kim Potter, Judy Spencer, Beth Kar** receiving treatment for cancer.

**Carolyn Koftan**, sister-in-law of Sandy Hamlin, in hospice care.

**Emily Weese's** father, David.

**Kayla Harris'** mother, Robin Knotts, living with cancer

**Ruth Long's brother Dale**, diagnosed with a brain tumor.

**Miles Hibler's mother, Pat** on hospice

**Elaine McCool**, back at Country Squire Retirement Home

**Friends and Family:** Liz Canon, John Kieser, John Nichols, son of Nancy Nichols; Kathy Long, friend of Janet Pullen

**Homebound:** Francis Hesnault, Louis Parmalee, Bette Lampton, Jane Urquhart, Pat Jacobs

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