

Readings for August 8, 2021 United Church of Strafford In-Person and Zoom Service

Isaiah 35:15

In returning and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and in trust shall be your strength.

from Isaiah 43:2-4

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you....because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you.

Jeremiah 17:7-8

Blessed are those who trust in God, whose trust is God. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

from Philippians 4:4-7

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is always near. Do not worry about anything, but...let your requests be made known to God giving thanks at the same time. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds.

Mark 4:37-40

A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?"

John 14:27

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.