

RUN THE RACE

Closing Worship Service

GATHERING MUSIC

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hebrews 12:1-3 (The Voice Translation)
Hope Cody

OPENING SONGS

"Everlasting God"

Brown/Riley

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**Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord,
we will wait upon the Lord,
we will wait upon the Lord.**

**Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord,
we will wait upon the Lord,
we will wait upon the Lord.**

**Our God, you reign forever,
our hope, our strong deliverer.**

**You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God,
you do not faint, you won't grow weary.
You're the defender of the weak,
you comfort those in need,
you lift us up on wings like eagles.**

"How Firm a Foundation"

Text attributed to K-, George Keith, and R. Keen (Public domain)

Covington First UMC Sanctuary Choir

**How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?**

**"Fear not, I am with you; O be not dismayed,
for I am your God, and will still give you aid.
I'll strengthen and help thee, and cause you to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.**

**"The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes.
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake!"**

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 40:28-31

Rev. Kristofer Roof

SERMON

Bishop Bill McAlilly

PROJECT TRANSFORMATION COMMISSIONING

CLOSING SONG

"Guide My Feet" African American Spiritual
Chancel Choir, Paris First UMC

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**Guide my feet while I run this race.
Guide my feet while I run this race.
Guide my feet while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain.**

Hold my hand...

Search my heart...

Guide my feet...

SENDING FORTH

Do not grow weary or lose heart.

Do not grow weary or lose heart.

We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses!

Do not grow weary or lose heart.

Let us run the race that is set before us!

Do not grow weary or lose heart.

Let us look to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith!

Do not grow weary or lose heart.

Let us look to Jesus who reigns in power!
Do not grow weary or lose heart.

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Bishop Bill McAlilly

PASSING OF THE PEACE "Lead Me, Guide Me" African-American Spiritual
Mrs. Maxine Weems and the Choir
Clark UMC, McMinnville, TN

As we are sent from this worship and conference to be God's people in the world, we invite you to pass the peace virtually with your Annual Conference friends and family. The Lord be with you!