

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

August 28, 2016

*To protect the Worship environment,  
please, no drinks in the Sanctuary, and remember to turn off cell phones.*

## THE GATHERING

### \*#64 Crown Him with Many Crowns

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne:  
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own!  
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,  
And hail Him as thy matchless King thru all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love: behold His hands and side  
Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.  
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,  
But downward bends his wond'ring eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of life: Who triumphed o'er the grave,  
Who rose victorious to the strife for those He came to save.  
His glories now we sing, Who died and rose on high,  
Who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of heav'n: One with the Father known,  
One with the Spirit thru Him giv'n from yonder glorious throne.  
To Thee be endless praise, for Thou for us hast died;  
Be Thou, O Lord, thru endless days adored and magnified.

TEXT: Matthew Bridges, stanzas 1,2,4; Godfrey Thring, stanza 3 MUSIC: George J. Elvey

### \*THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION

### \*THE RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,  
Who was and is and is to come! (Revelation 4:8b)

**ALL: Worthy are you, our Lord and God,  
to receive glory and honor and power,  
for You created all things,  
and by Your will they existed and were created. (Revelation 4:11)**

LEADER: For you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God  
from every tribe and language and people and nation,  
and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God,  
and they shall reign on the earth." (Revelation 5:9b-10)

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Who was and is and is to come! (Revelation 4:8b)**

## \*Raised To Life

Precious compassion that pours  
From the wounds that have won our salvation  
Sin was strong but the Savior is stronger  
Come let us worship Him (repeat)

Great was the debt that we owed  
And how high was the price of our healing  
Paid in full by the One who is worthy  
Come let us worship Him

(chorus)

Raised to life with Christ the Savior  
In His name a new creation  
Now our song will rise  
Adoring Christ the Lord

Death overcome by the Word  
That was spoken before it was finished  
Jesus saves is our song everlasting  
Come let us worship Him

(repeat chorus)

Sin was strong but, Jesus is stronger  
Our shame was great but, Jesus you're greater (3x)

(repeat chorus 2x)

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## \*THE READING OF HEBREWS 9:1-14

### THE PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

**ALL: God of all comfort and Father of tender mercies,  
Knowing that you never fail to comfort us,  
grant that we may truly mourn over our sin.  
Make our hearts a suitable home for Your Son, our Savior.  
Clear away all the obstacles in us that hinder His reign.  
We ask your forgiveness for the unbelief, unforgiveness, and pride  
that inflict spiritual harm in our lives and relationships.  
Take us by the hand and lead us to Jesus,  
for He bore all our sin in His body when He died on the tree,  
so that we might know Your everlasting comfort.  
We ask this for your glory and our good in Jesus' name, Amen.**

**PRIVATE** (A time of silent and private confessions for personal sins)

**LEADER:** Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching. (Hebrews 10:19-25)

**ALL: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## **\*Stronger**

There is love that came for us, humbled to a sinner's cross  
You broke my shame and sinfulness, You rose again victorious

Faithfulness none can deny, through the storm and through the fire  
There is truth that sets me free, Jesus Christ who lives in me

(chorus)

You are stronger, You are stronger  
Sin is broken, You have saved me  
It is written, Christ is risen  
Jesus You are Lord of all

No beginning and no end, You're my hope and my defense  
You came to seek and save the lost, You paid it all upon the cross

(repeat chorus)

So let Your Name be lifted higher  
Be lifted higher, be lifted higher (2x)

(repeat chorus 2x)

Jesus You are Lord of all (2x)

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## **\*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: John 1:1-5, 9-14, 16-18**

**LEADER:** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God.

**ALL:** All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made.

**LEADER:** In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

**ALL:** The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him.

**LEADER:** But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

**ALL:** And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

**LEADER:** And from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.

### \*The Church's One Foundation

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;  
She is His new creation by water and the Word:  
From heav'n He came and sought her to be His holy bride;  
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth,  
Her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,  
And to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation and tumult of her war,  
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore;  
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,  
And the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:  
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,  
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with Thee.

TEXT: Samuel J. Stone MUSIC: Brian Moss

### \*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Eternal are thy mercies, Lord;  
And truth eternal is thy word:  
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore  
Till suns shall rise and set no more.

From all that dwell below the skies  
Let the Creator's praise arise!  
Let the Redeemer's Name be sung  
Through every land, by every tongue!

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

First verse by Thomas Ken, 1674; Second/Third verse by Isaac Watts.

## **\*THE DEDICATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

Although giving is a significant part of worship, we do not collect the offering during our service. Two boxes are placed by the doors to receive your offering. Tithes and offerings for the General Fund are placed in the box without the "steeple." Offerings for the Building Fund are to be placed in the box with the "steeple," with check payable to Grace EPC Building Fund.

10:45am Prayer for Missions

## **THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

10:45am: Nelle Geneva Goodhope Neece

(CHILDREN ARE DISMISSED FOR THEIR CLASSES AT THIS TIME:  
K-4TH GRADE — LINE UP IN THE HALLWAY OUTSIDE SANCTUARY.)

(10:45AM SERVICE: INTERNATIONALS WHO WISH TO ATTEND THE SPECIAL INTERNATIONAL  
TEACHING TIME MAY BE DISMISSED AT THIS TIME TO ROOM 17 —JUST TO THE RIGHT AS YOU LEAVE THE SANCTUARY.)

*(THOSE WHO ARRIVE AFTER THE SERVICE HAS BEGUN MAY BE SEATED AT THIS TIME)*

## **THE WELCOME**

At this time, please fill out the friendship register found at the side aisle. As the register is passed, please note those with whom you are worshipping so that you can greet one another after the service. If this is your first Sunday at Grace, please accept our invitation to worship with us again soon. If you would like information about Grace EPC, please take one of our brochures from the table in the narthex. If you are looking for a church home, please let us know and we will be happy to visit with you.

## **THE WORD OF GOD AND PRAYER**

**THE PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

**THE READING OF SCRIPTURE**

**Nehemiah 11**

**THE MESSAGE FROM SCRIPTURE**

**Bill Vogler**

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

It is our sincere desire to pray effectively for the particular needs of those worshipping with us this morning. If you have a prayer concern that you want shared with the congregation during the prayers of the people, please call the church office or one of the elders prior to the service with your request. If you desire prayer on a personal matter, we invite you to meet with the elders in the front pews after the Benediction.

Available for prayer after 8:45 worship: Mike Bartlow & Darby Ritter  
Available for prayer after 10:45 worship: Scott Rask & Kim Grubbs

# THE SENDING

## \*THE BENEDICTION

### \*We Will Feast in the House of Zion

(chorus)

We will feast in the house of Zion  
We will sing with our hearts restored  
He has done great things, we will say together  
We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire  
He is the LORD our God  
We are not consumed, by the flood  
Upheld, protected, gathered up

(repeat chorus)

Every vow we've broken and betrayed  
You are the Faithful one  
And from the garden to the grave  
Bind us together, bring shalom.

(repeat chorus 2x)

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\*Congregation will stand.