

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

June 5, 2016

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

## THE GATHERING

### \*#97 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all;  
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall,  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all;  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all!

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, on this terrestrial ball,  
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all;  
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all;  
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all!  
And crown Him Lord of all!

TEXT: Edward Perronet; adapted by John Rippon; MUSIC: Oliver Holden

### \*THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION

### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

### \*You Alone Can Rescue

Who, oh Lord, could save themselves, their own soul could heal?  
Our shame was deeper than the sea, Your grace is deeper still

(repeat)

(chorus)

You alone can rescue, You alone can save  
You alone can lift us from the grave  
You came down to find us, led us out of death  
To You alone belongs the highest praise

You, oh Lord, have made a way, the great divide You healed  
For when our hearts were far away Your love went further still  
Yes, Your love goes further still

(repeat chorus 2x)

To You alone belongs the highest praise (2x)

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**\*THE READING OF PSALM 42**

**THE PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

**ALL:** Holy Lord,  
you are the God of loving loyalty,  
who has redeemed us from the bondage of sin.  
Yet, we come again confessing that though you are the God of steadfast love,  
we have a tendency to forget you.  
Other enterprises and relationships have become  
more important and absorbing to us than You.  
Forgive us for allowing the cares of the world,  
the deceitfulness of riches and the desires for other things  
to supplant You as King  
and to take the place of supremacy in our hearts.  
Have mercy upon us, for the sake of Your Son, our Savior, Amen.

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

**LEADER:** This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

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

**\*THE PROFESSION OF FAITH: Heidelberg Catechism #1**

**Leader:** What is your only comfort in life and death?

**All:** That I, with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own, but belong unto my faithful Savior Jesus Christ; who with His precious blood has fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; yea, that all things must be subservient to my salvation, wherefore by His Holy Spirit He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me heartily willing and ready, henceforth, to live unto Him.

### \*#382 Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art—  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

TEXT: Ancient Irish hymn, translated by Mary E. Byrne; versified by Eleanor H. Hull  
MUSIC: Irish Folk melody; arranged by David Allen. Arr. © 1986 WORD MUSIC (a div. of  
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### \*Cling to the Crucified

Cling to the crucified, cling to the Lamb  
Cling to the buried One, the Great I Am  
O Cling to the risen Son of Man  
Alleluia, Amen

Cling to the Faithful One, cling in thy pain  
Cling to the gracious One, who rids thy stain  
O cling to the Holy Son of Man  
Alleluia, Amen

Cling to the glorified, Cling to His side  
Cling to the reigning One, in Him abide  
O cling to the coming Son of Man  
Alleluia, Amen

Cling to the crucified, cling to the Lamb  
Cling to the buried One, the Great I Am  
O Cling to the risen Son of Man  
Alleluia, Amen  
Alleluia, Amen

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## **\*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.

## **THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

8:45am: Lucy Jane Decker

(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 AND SACRAMENT**

### **THE READING OF SCRIPTURE**

Nehemiah 4

### **THE MESSAGE FROM SCRIPTURE**

Bill Vogler

### **THE LORD'S SUPPER**

The Table of the Lord is open to each person who acknowledges himself/herself to be a sinner in the sight of God and without hope for salvation except in His sovereign mercy; who believes in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Savior of sinners; who receives and depends upon Christ alone for salvation as He is offered in the gospel; and who promises and resolves in humble reliance upon the Holy Spirit, to endeavor to live as becomes a follower of Christ.

If this is your profession of faith, you are welcome at the Lord's Table. As you come, take a piece of bread, dip it in the cup and eat. May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him.

## Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

Jesus, Savior, pilot me over life's tempestuous sea;  
Unknown waves before me roll, hiding rock and treacherous shoal.  
Chart and compass come from Thee; Jesus, Savior, pilot me.  
Chart and compass come from Thee; Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

When the seas are smooth and bright, sparkling with the stars of night,  
When the darkening heavens frown, and the wrathful winds come down,  
Still I know my need of Thee; Jesus, Savior, pilot me.  
Still I know my need of Thee; Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

As a mother stills her child, You can hush the ocean wild;  
Boisterous waves obey Your will, when You say to them, "Be still!"  
Wondrous Sovereign of the sea, Jesus, Savior, pilot me.  
Wondrous Sovereign of the sea, Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

When at last I near the shore, and the fearful breakers roar  
Between me and peaceful rest, then, while leaning on Thy breast,  
May I hear Thee say to me, "Fear not, I will pilot thee."  
May I hear Thee say to me, "Fear not, I will pilot thee."

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## Lord, I Need You

Lord, I come, I confess  
Bowing here I find my rest  
Without You I fall apart  
You're the One that guides my heart

(chorus)

Lord, I need You, Oh, I need You  
Every hour I need You  
My one defense, my righteousness  
Oh God, how I need You

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more  
Where grace is found is where You are  
And where You are, Lord, I am free  
Holiness is Christ in me

(repeat chorus 2x)

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## Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners

Jesus! What a friend for sinners!  
Jesus! Lover of my soul;  
Friends may fail me, foes assail me,  
He, my Savior, makes me whole.

(chorus)

Hallelujah! What a Savior!  
Hallelujah! What a friend!  
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,  
He is with me to the end.

Jesus! What a strength in weakness!  
Let me hide myself in Him.  
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing,  
He, my strength, my victory wins.

(repeat chorus)

Jesus! What a help in sorrow!  
While the tempest still is high,  
Storms surround me, night o'ertakes me,  
He, my pilot, hears my cry.

(repeat chorus)

Jesus! What a guide and keeper!  
More than all in Him I find.  
He hath granted me forgiveness,  
I am His, and He is mine.

(repeat chorus)

Words: John Wilbur Chapman. Music: Rowland Prichard.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**ALL:** Our Father 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 debts as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.  
Amen.

## THE SENDING

### \*THE BENEDICTION

#### \*The Doxology #625

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

### AFTER SERVICE PRAYER

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: Joe Harvey & Michael Boulton  
Available for prayer after 10:45 worship: Michael Lemon & Larry Swinson

\*Congregation will stand.