

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

July 24, 2016

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

THE GATHERING

*#108 Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;
Praise is His gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!
He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend
His love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore His goodness we'll adore,
Singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"
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TEXT: Christian H. Bateman MUSIC: Traditional Spanish melody; arranged by David Evans

*THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*King of Saints

Jesus Christ, God's holy Lamb, We will laud Thy lovely name;
We were saved by God's decree, And all our debt was paid by Thee.

Thou has washed us in Thy blood, Made us kings and priests to God;
Take this tribute of the poor; Less we can't, we can't give more.

(chorus)

Souls redeemed, your voices raise, Sing your dear Redeemer's praise;
Worthy Thou of love and laud, King of saints, incarnate God.

Righteous are Thy ways and true; Endless honors are Thy due;
Grace and glory in Thee shine; Matchless mercy, love divine.

We for whom Thou once was slain, We Thy ransomed sinner train,
In this one request agree, "Spirit make us more like Thee."

(repeat chorus 2x)

Jesus Christ, God's holy Lamb, We will laud Thy lovely name;
We were saved by God's decree, And all our debt was paid by Thee.

(repeat chorus 2x)

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***THE READING OF LUKE 10:1-12, 17-20**

THE PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

All: Gracious God,

You are our loving Father, yet we have not honored you as we ought;

You are our faithful Lord, yet we have not trusted you as we ought;

You have given us great grace, yet we lack gratefulness.

You have secured for us an eternal inheritance,

yet we are often discontented and joyless.

You are worthy of our whole-hearted dedication,

yet we are often half-hearted in our devotion.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us.

By Your Spirit work in us all that we need for life and godliness

that we may honor, trust, thank, rejoice and follow You. Amen

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

THE RESPONSIVE ASSURANCE: PSALM 32

LEADER: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

ALL: Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

LEADER: For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away
through my groaning all day long.

ALL: For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

LEADER: I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not cover my iniquity;

ALL: I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

LEADER: Therefore let everyone who is godly
offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;
surely in the rush of great waters,
they shall not reach him.

ALL: You are a hiding place for me;
you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

LEADER: I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;
I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

ALL: Many are the sorrows of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

*How Deep the Father's Love For Us

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss. The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon the cross, my sin upon His shoulders.
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life. I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything: no gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom.
But I will boast in Jesus Christ: His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.

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*Hymn

This heart has been changed by the King of kings
He's revealed to me glory unknown
And in reply to His love my heart sings
The place where the song first was grown

In day of darkness and trouble and fear
No thing or love satisfied
But with capturing grace, a voice in my ear
Told me "come, be My son, you are Mine"

(chorus)

Halle -- lu ----- jah

Halle -- lu ----- jah

(repeat)

Now moving through life is a toilsome task
But with every passing day
His light is my strength and He helps when I ask
To take all of my burdens away

(repeat chorus)

He gives me such joy, such blessing in life
What a God, to so freely give
And so I rejoice when I feebly try
To fathom the life I shall live

(repeat chorus 2x)

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*THE READING OF PHILIPPIANS 4:4-9

***Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven**

Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven;
At His feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Evermore His praises sing:
Alleluia, Alleluia, Praise the everlasting King.
Alleluia, Alleluia.

Praise Him for His grace and favor
To our fathers in distress;
Praise Him still the same as ever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Glorious in faithfulness.
Alleluia, Alleluia.

(chorus)

Jesus, my life. Jesus, my strength.
Jesus, my love. All to You, All to You, Jesus.

Angels, help us to adore Him,
Ye behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him;
Dwellers in time and space,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Praise with us the God of grace.
Alleluia, Alleluia.

(repeat chorus)

Fatherlike He tends and spares us,
Well our feeble frame He knows;
In His hands He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Widely still His mercy flows.
Alleluia, Alleluia.

WORDS: Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847); MUSIC: John Goss (1800-1880)

***THE PROFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth:

**And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried;
He descended into Hell;
the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into Heaven,
and is seated on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Amen.

(Note: Although not written by the apostles, this creed is a summary of their teachings. Though its origin is traced to the second century, it developed into its present form by the sixth or seventh century. For the sake of clarity, please note that we believe that Jesus suffered the agony and punishment of Hell on the cross, most especially when He knew that He had been forsaken by His Father, and that He died a real death from which He was resurrected. We believe also that "holy catholic church" refers to the church universal.)

***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.

(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

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: Todd Koch & Joe Harvey
Available for prayer after 10:45 worship: Mike Bartlow & Darby Ritter

THE SENDING

*THE BENEDICTION

*Holy Is the Lord

(verse)

We stand and lift up our hands,
For the joy of the Lord is our strength.
We bow down and worship Him now;
How great, How awesome is He.
And together we sing,
Everyone sing:

(chorus)

Holy is the Lord God Almighty;
The earth is filled with His glory.
Holy is the Lord God Almighty;
The earth is filled with His glory,
The earth is filled with His glory.

(repeat verse)

(repeat chorus 2x)

The earth is filled with His glory.

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*Congregation will stand.