

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

July 1, 2018

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

## THE GATHERING

### \*O For a Thousand Tongues

O, for a thousand tongues to sing, my great Redeemer's praise  
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease  
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, tis life and health and peace

He breaks the power of cancelled sin, He sets the prisoners free  
His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me

He speaks and listening to His voice, new life the dead receive  
The mournful broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe

Glory to God and praise and love, be ever, ever giv'n  
By saints below and saints above, the church in earth and Heav'n

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim  
To spread through all the earth abroad, the honors of Thy name  
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TEXT: Charles Wesley MUSIC: Carl G. Gläzer; arranged by Lowell Mason

### \*THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION

### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: PSALM 104

### \*Thy Mercy, My God, Is the Theme of My Song

Thy mercy, my God, is the theme of my song,  
The joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue.  
Thy free grace alone from the first to the last  
Hath won my affections and bound my soul fast.

Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here;  
Sin would reduce me to utter despair;  
But through Thy free goodness my spirits revive  
And He that first made me still keeps me alive.

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart  
Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart;  
Dissolved by Thy goodness I fall to the ground  
And weep for the praise of the mercy I've found.

Great Father of mercies Thy goodness I own  
And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son;  
All praise to the Spirit whose whisper divine  
Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine.

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Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine!

## THE PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

**ALL:** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, though You are ever faithful to us, we confess that we have been unfaithful to You, though You have loved us, we have not loved You with all of our heart, soul, mind and strength. We have failed to seek You in everything, we have believed that we know what is best for ourselves, we have relied upon our own strength, we have coveted what we do not have, we have doubted Your provision of grace and mercy, we have not obeyed Your commandments. We have sinned against You. But this we know, that You have given Your Son for us, our substitute, the Lamb of God who takes away our sins, who provides all that we need for forgiveness of sin, for life and for godliness. Grant, we pray, that we may trust in Him alone, and live faithful to You. Amen.

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

### \*THE ASSURANCE: 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.

### \*O Come and Mourn with Me Awhile

O come and mourn with me awhile;  
O come ye to the Savior's side;  
O come, together let us mourn:  
Jesus, our Lord, is crucified!

Sev'n times He spake, sev'n words of love;  
And all three hours His silence cried  
For mercy on the souls of men:  
Jesus, our Lord, is crucified!

(chorus)

O love of God! O sin of man!  
In this dread act your strength is tried,  
And victory remains with love:  
Jesus, our Lord, is crucified!

O break, O break, hard heart of mine!  
Thy weak self-love and guilty pride  
His Pilate and His Judas were:  
Jesus, our Lord, is crucified!

A broken heart, a fount of tears,  
Ask, and they will not be denied;  
A broken heart love's cradle is:  
Jesus, our Lord, is crucified!

(repeat chorus)

And victory remains with love:  
Jesus, our Lord, is crucified!

## **\*Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right**

Whate'er my God ordains is right: Holy His will abideth;  
I will be still whate'er He does, and follow where He guideth.  
He is my God; though dark my road He holds me that I shall not fall:  
Wherefore to Him I leave it all.  
Whate'er my God ordains is right.

Whate'er my God ordains is right: He never will deceive me;  
He leads me by the proper path; I know He will not leave me.  
I take, content, what He hath sent; His hand can turn my griefs away,  
And patiently I wait His day.  
Whate'er my God ordains is right.

Whate'er my God ordains is right: though now this cup, in drinking,  
May bitter seem to my faint heart, I take it, all unshrinking  
My God is true; each morn anew sweet comfort yet shall fill my heart,  
And pain and sorrow shall depart.  
Whate'er my God ordains is right.

Whate'er my God ordains is right: here shall my stand be taken;  
Though sorrow, need, or death be mine, yet I am not forsaken.  
My Father's care is round me there; He holds me that I shall not fall:  
And so to Him I leave it all.  
Whate'er my God ordains is right.

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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.

(CHILDREN ARE DISMISSED FOR THEIR CLASSES AT THIS TIME:  
K-4TH GRADE — LINE UP IN THE HALLWAY OUTSIDE 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 PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

## THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Matthew 14:22-33

## RESPONSE TO THE READING OF THE WORD

**All: The grass withers and the flower falls,  
but the word of the Lord remains forever.**

## THE MESSAGE FROM SCRIPTURE

Rick Pratte

## 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.

## 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)

Teach my song to rise to You  
When temptation comes my way  
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You  
Jesus, You're my hope and stay

(repeat chorus 2x)

## 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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## Your Great Name

Lost are saved, find their Way  
At the sound of Your great name.  
All condemned, feel no shame  
At the sound of Your great name.

Every fear has no place  
At the sound of Your great name.  
The enemy, he has to leave  
At the sound of Your great name.

(chorus)  
Jesus, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain for us,  
Son of God and Man, You are high and lifted up  
That all the world will praise Your great name.

All the weak find their strength  
At the sound of Your great name.  
Hungry souls receive grace  
At the sound of Your great name.

The Fatherless, they find their rest  
At the sound of Your great name.  
The sick are healed and the dead are raised  
At the sound of Your great name.

(repeat chorus)

Redeemer, My Healer, Lord Almighty  
My Savior, Defender, You are my King. (2x)

(repeat chorus 2x)

Your great name (2x)

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## 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: Darby Ritter & Dan Wethington  
Available for prayer after 10:45 worship: Larry Swinson & Joe Harvey

\*Congregation will stand.