

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

June 2, 2019

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

THE GATHERING

***#51 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah**

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art mighty; hold me with Thy pow'ful hand;
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more,
Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through;
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, be Thou still my strength and shield,
Be Thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side;
Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to Thee,
I will ever give to Thee.

TEXT: William Williams; translated by Peter Williams and William Williams MUSIC: John Hughes

***THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

***THE RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP: Isaiah 55:6-7; Matthew 11:28-30**

LEADER: Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near;
let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may
have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

**ALL: Jesus said, "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you,
and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy,
and my burden is light."**

*Anchor of Hope

Marvelous, wonderful, infinite God
Author of all that is good
Faithful provider and giver of life
Source of all power and love

(chorus)

Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise
Refuge of strength to the end
Righteous redeemer and mighty to save
He's the Anchor of Hope for the souls [of men]

Gracious, compassionate, merciful God
Radiant, holy delight
Beautiful Father, victorious Son
Source of unchangeable light

(repeat chorus)

Powerful, constant, unwavering God
Shepherd who comes for the lost
Rock of salvation, remarkable love
Savior who died on the Cross

(repeat chorus 2x)

He's the Anchor of Hope for the souls
He's the Anchor of Hope for the souls of men

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*THE PROFESSION OF FAITH: PSALM 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.
He restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for you are with me; Your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

THE PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ALL: Merciful God, I confess that though I need not want, I can find myself consumed with wanting more; though your leading brings rest and restoration, I can find myself restless; though your paths are right, I often complain along the way; though you guard and protect me even in the most difficult circumstances, still I become afraid, worried that you have abandoned me; though you provide sustenance in the midst of trouble, too often I refuse to receive from you; though you pursue me with goodness and mercy, there are times I run from you and live in my guilt. Forgive my sins; restore my soul; cause me to trust you, turn to you, follow you, rely upon you, look to you; through Jesus Christ, the Great Shepherd of my soul, who gave himself for me.

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

THE ASSURANCE

LEADER: Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. Isaiah 53:4-6

*Psalm 130

(From the Depths of Woe)

From the depths of woe I raise to Thee, the voice of lamentation;
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me and hear my supplication;

If Thou iniquities dost mark, our secret sins and misdeeds dark,

Men: O who shall stand before Thee?

Women: O who shall stand before Thee? (2x)

To wash away the crimson stain, grace, grace alone availeth;
Our works, alas! are all in vain; in much the best life faileth;
No man can glory in Thy sight, all must alike confess Thy might,

Men: And live alone by mercy

Women: And live alone by mercy (2x)

Therefore my trust is in the Lord, and not in mine own merit;
On Him my soul shall rest, His word upholds my fainting spirit;
His promised mercy is my fort, my comfort and my sweet support;

Men: I wait for it with patience

Women: I wait for it with patience (2x)

Though great our sins and sore our woes His grace much more aboundeth.
His helping love no limit knows, our utmost need it soundeth.
Our Shepherd, good and true is He, Who will at last His Israel free

Men: From all their sin and sorrow.

Women: From all their sin and sorrow. (3x)

***Abide With Me**

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.
When other helpers, fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, abide with me.

Thou on my head, in early youth didst smile;
And, though rebellious, and perverse meanwhile,
Thou hast not left me, though I oft left Thee,
On to the close Lord, abide with me.

I need Thy presence, every passing hour.
What but Thy grace, can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless
Ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness
Where is thy sting death? Where grave thy victory?
I triumph still, abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross, before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.

In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.

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***THE READING OF JOHN 10:11-18**

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 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.

(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 WORD AND SACRAMENT

THE PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

John 21:15-19

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

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.

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, vast, unmeasured, boundless, free,
Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me.

Underneath me, all around me, is the current of His love,
Leading onward, leading homeward to Thy glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, 'tis a heaven of heavens to me;
And it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to Thee!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, spread His praise from shore to shore!
How He loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore!

How He watches o'er His loved ones, died to call them all His own.
How for them He intercedeth, watches o'er them from the throne.

TEXT: S. Trevor Francis

Take My Life

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of Thy love.
Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King.
Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from Thee.
Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect and use ev'ry power as Thou shalt choose.

(chorus)

Here am I,

Echo: Here am I,

All of me,

Echo: All of me,

Take my life

Echo: Take my life

It's all for Thee.

Echo: It's all for Thee.

Take my will and make it Thine, it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is Thine own, it shall be Thy royal throne.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour at Your feet its treasure store.
Take myself and I will be ever, only, all for Thee.
Take myself and I will be ever, only, all for Thee.

(repeat chorus 2x)

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee.

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Christ is Mine Forevermore

Mine are days that God has numbered, I was made to walk with Him
Yet I look for worldly treasure, and forsake the King of kings
But mine is hope in my Redeemer, though I fall, His love is sure
For Christ has paid for every failing, I am His forevermore

Mine are tears in times of sorrow, darkness not yet understood
Through the valley I must travel, where I see no earthly good
But mine is peace that flows from heaven, and the strength in times of need
I know my pain will not be wasted, Christ completes His work in me

Mine are days here as a stranger, pilgrim on a narrow way
One with Christ I will encounter, harm and hatred for His name
But mine is armor for this battle, strong enough to last the war
And He has said He will deliver, safely to the golden shore

And mine are keys to Zion city, where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure Christ is mine forevermore

Come rejoice now, O my soul, for His love is my reward
Fear is gone and hope is sure, Christ is mine forevermore (2x)

And mine are keys to Zion city, where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure Christ is mine forevermore
Christ is mine forevermore, Christ is mine forevermore

***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**

***#625 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

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 8:15 worship: Darby Ritter & Michael Lemon
Available for prayer after 10:45 worship: Warran Wiebe & Kim Grubbs

*Congregation will stand.