

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

June 30, 2019

*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 RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP FROM PSALM 111

LEADER: Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation. Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

**ALL: Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever. He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful.**

LEADER: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever.

## **\*Immortal, Invisible**

Immortal, You are not like a man  
That You change Your mind, or change Your plan.  
Invisible, our human eyes can't see  
The depth of Your majesty

(chorus)

You're the God of forever and ever amen!  
The Alpha, Omega, Beginning and End  
We sing Hallelujah, we worship in awe  
Immortal, Invisible God

Immortal, You are not bound by death  
You're the living God, my very breath  
Invisible, You are not bound by space  
But Your glory is filling this place  
Yes, Your glory is filling this place  
(repeat chorus)

Immortal, yet You once died for me  
To pay my debt, to set me free  
Invisible, You will not always be  
Cause You're coming to reign as our King  
And the saints will fall down at Your feet

(repeat chorus 2x)

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## **THE PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

### **God, Be Merciful to Me**

God, be merciful to me, on Thy grace I rest my plea;  
Plenteous in compassion Thou, blot out my transgressions now;  
Wash me, make me pure within, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

Broken, humbled to the dust by Thy wrath and judgment just,  
Let my contrite heart rejoice and in gladness hear Thy voice;  
From my sins O hide Thy face, blot them out in boundless grace.

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

Gracious God, my heart renew, make my spirit right and true;  
Cast me not away from Thee, let Thy Spirit dwell in me;  
Thy salvation's joy impart, steadfast make my willing heart.

Sinners then shall learn from me and return, O God to Thee;  
Savior all my guilt remove, and my tongue shall sing Thy love;  
Touch my silent lips, O Lord, and my mouth shall praise accord.

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## THE READING FROM JOHN 15:1-8

### \*#204 Rock of Ages

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee;  
Let the water and the blood, from Thy riven side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill Thy law's demands;  
Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,  
All for sin could not atone; Thou must save and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to Thy cross I cling;  
Naked, come to Thee for dress, helpless, look to Thee for grace;  
Foul, I to the fountain fly, wash me, Savior, or I die!

While I draw this fleeting breath, when my eyes shall close in death,  
When I soar to worlds unknown, see Thee on Thy judgment throne,  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee.

TEXT: Augustus M. Toplady MUSIC: Thomas Hastings

### \*All Must Be Well

Through the love of God our Savior, all will be well  
Free and changeless is His favor, all is well  
Precious is the blood that healed us  
Perfect is the grace that sealed us  
Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us  
All must be well

Though we pass through tribulation, all will be well  
Ours is such a full salvation, all is well  
Happy still in God confiding  
Fruitful if in Christ abiding  
Steadfast through the Spirit's guiding  
All must be well

We expect a bright tomorrow; all will be well  
Faith can sing through days of sorrow, all is well  
On our Father's love relying  
Jesus every need supplying  
Yes in living or in dying  
All must be well

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## \*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.**

## 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 OF GOD AND PRAYER

### THE PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

### THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

**Mark 9:14-29**

### 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 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 worship: Michael Lemon & Joe Harvey

# THE SENDING

## \*THE BENEDICTION

### \*Hallelujah to My King

O, how strong the power of Jesus' name  
It is stronger than any other name  
How sweet the victory that bore my shame  
Took the burden of my sin away

(chorus)

Hallelujah, what a Savior, I owe everything to Him  
Hallelujah, what a Savior, hallelujah to my King

O, how great the kindness our God has shown  
We were strangers, now we're called His own  
His grace has welcomed the sinner home  
Tender mercies lead us to the throne

(repeat chorus)

O, what peace the Spirit of Jesus brings  
Through the trials, He will carry me  
One day in Heaven, our eyes will meet  
Filled with wonder, all the saints will sing

(repeat chorus 2x)

Hallelujah to my King

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