

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

July 21, 2019

*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

TEXT: Charles Wesley MUSIC: Carl G. Gläzer; arranged by Lowell Mason

*THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*THE RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP: PSALM 107:1-7, 20-22

LEADER: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!

ALL: Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

LEADER: Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to a city to dwell in; hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.

ALL: Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. He led them by a straight way till they reached a city to dwell in.

LEADER: He sent out his word and healed them, and delivered them from their destruction.

ALL: Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love for his wondrous works to the children of man! And let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving, and tell of his deeds in songs of joy!

***Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above**

Praise the Lord who reigns above and keeps His courts below
Praise the holy God of love and all His greatness show.
Praise Him for His noble deeds praise Him for His matchless pow'r
Him from whom all good proceeds, let heav'n and earth adore
Let heav'n and earth adore.

(chorus)

Praise the name of Christ
Celebrate and lift Him up high
Praise the Lord of life
We'll sing the story of honor and glory and praise the name of Christ

God in whom they move and live let every creature sing
Glory to their Maker give and homage to their King.
Hallowed be Thy name beneath, as in heav'n and earth adored
Praise the Lord in every breath, let all things praise the Lord
Let all things praise the Lord.

(repeat chorus)

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
We'll sing the story of honor and glory
And praise the name

(repeat chorus 2x)

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THE PRAYERS OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

**ALL: Merciful Father, for the sake of Christ, forgive my sins.
Forgive the sins that I remember, and the sins I have forgotten.
Forgive my many failures in the face of temptation,
and those times when I have been stubborn in the face of correction.
Forgive the times I have been proud of my own achievements
and those when I have failed to boast in your works.
Forgive the harsh judgments I have made of others,
and the leniency I have shown myself.
Forgive the lies I have told to others, and the truths I have avoided.
Forgive the pain I have caused others and the indulgence I have shown myself.
Holy Father, have mercy on me and make me whole. Amen**

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

THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS: HEBREWS 9:24-26

LEADER: For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.

ALL: Lord Jesus, thank you for your sacrifice. Amen

***Nothing But the Blood**

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

(chorus)

Oh! precious is the flow that makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

For my pardon this I see, nothing but the blood of Jesus;
For my cleansing, this my plea, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

(repeat chorus)

Nothing can for sin atone, nothing but the blood of Jesus;
Naught of good that I have done, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

This is all my hope and peace, nothing but the blood of Jesus;
This is all my righteousness, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

(repeat chorus 2x)

TEXT and MUSIC: Robert Lowry

***By Thy Mercy**

Jesus, Lord of life and glory, bend from heaven Thy gracious ear;
While our waiting souls adore Thee, friend of helpless sinners, hear:

From the depth of nature's blindness, from the hardening power of sin,
From all malice and unkindness, from the pride that lurks within,

(refrain)

By Thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord
By Thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord, good Lord.

When temptation sorely presses, in the day of Satan's power,
In our times of deep distresses, in each dark and trying hour.

In the weary hours of sickness, in the times of grief and pain,
When we feel our mortal weakness, when all human help is vain.

(repeat refrain)

In the solemn hour of dying, in the awful judgment day,
May our souls, on thee relying, find thee still our Rock and Stay.

(repeat refrain 2x)

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***THE PROFESSION OF FAITH: HEIDELBERG CATECHISM #21**

LEADER: What is True Faith?

ALL: True faith is a sure knowledge whereby I accept as true all that God has revealed to us in His Word. At the same time it is a firm confidence that not only to others, but also to me, God has granted forgiveness of sins, everlasting righteousness, and salvation, out of mere grace, only for the sake of Christ's merits. This faith the Holy Spirit works in my heart by the gospel.

***Prayer for Faith**

My heart is glad that You are my father
Adopted to You as sons and daughters
And Your love endures, like You said it would
My heart sings...

(chorus)

Teach me the sound of Your voice
With the faith to respond to love You
Teach me to follow You close
With the faith You bestow to love You

My heart is glad to serve You as King
Forgive the times that I am stubborn
With a humble heart, may I come to You
My heart sings...

(repeat chorus 2x)

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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 OF GOD AND PRAYER

THE PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Matthew 8:5-13

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

Tyler Clements

THE SENDING

*THE BENEDICTION

*You Crown the Year

(verse 1)

You crown the year with Your goodness
You answer us with awesome deeds
Your hope resounds, God our Savior
To distant lands and farthest seas

You still the waves with Your presence
You bless Your harvest with Your rain
Your river filled with living water
That flows to all as You ordain

(chorus)

Praise the name of the Lord
O my soul sing His worth
All of life join the song
Come and lift up our King

Now let the earth join His praises
Who dwells between the sea and sky?
The dusk and dawn forever answer
The call to worship God on high

(repeat chorus 2x)

(repeat vs. 1)

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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 worship: Larry Swinson & Joe Harvey

*Congregation will stand.