



GRACE  
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CHURCH

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# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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# THE GATHERING

THE WELCOME

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM 108:3-5

All: I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples;  
I will sing praises to you among the nations.  
For your steadfast love is great above the heavens;  
your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.  
Be exalted, O God, above the heavens!  
Let your glory be over all the earth!

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'rful 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



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## SCRIPTURE READING

LUKE 15:1-10

## PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

**All: Gracious and holy Father,**

**We confess that our hearts are consumed  
with the fears and cares of this world.**

**The deceitfulness of riches  
and the desires for other things choke out your Word  
and grieve your Spirit in our lives.**

**Forgive us for being led astray  
from a single-minded, pure, and undistracted devotion  
to you, our faithful Father, our loving Savior,  
and life-giving Spirit.**

**Pardon us for doubting your promises  
and questioning your goodness.**

**Send your Spirit to rekindle the fires of devotion  
in our hearts.**

**For we pray in the name of Jesus Christ  
our Lord and King.**

**Amen.**

*Take a moment to privately confess your personal sins.*

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

**Leader: The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full  
acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save  
sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree,  
that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his  
wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like  
sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer  
of your souls.**

Timothy 1:15; 1 Peter 2:24

**All: Thanks be to God who forgives our sins through  
Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**



## STRONGER\*

There is love that came for us,  
humbled to a sinner's cross  
You broke my shame and sinfulness,  
you rose again victorious.

Faithfulness none can deny,  
through the storm and through the fire  
There is truth that sets me free,  
Jesus Christ who lives in me.

### CHORUS

You are stronger, you are stronger  
Sin is broken, you have saved me  
It is written, Christ is risen  
Jesus, you are Lord of all

No beginning and no end,  
You're my hope and my defense  
You came to seek and save the lost,  
You paid it all upon the cross.

### CHORUS

So let your name be lifted higher  
Be lifted higher, be lifted higher (2x)

### CHORUS (2x)

Jesus, you are Lord of all (2x)


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## THE PROFESSION OF FAITH\*

EPHESIANS. 2:1-10

**All: And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience - among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ -**



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by grace you have been saved - and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

#### 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

#### CHORUS

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

#### 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 DEDICATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Since we are not meeting at the church-house, tithes and offerings can be made by mailing checks to Grace EPC, Attn: Bob Woods, 3312 Calvin Drive, Lawrence KS 66049. Or give directly from your bank to the church, or by credit or debit card. Please [click here](#) and follow the prompts to set up an account and choose the amounts, funds and frequency you prefer. [Contact Bob Woods](#) if you have any questions.

## THE WORD AND PRAYER

### THE PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

### THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

LUKE 19:1-10

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

### THE MESSAGE FROM SCRIPTURE

Bill Vogler

### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## THE SENDING

### THE BENEDICTION\*

### 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

*\*Congregation will stand.*