

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

March 19, 2017

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

THE GATHERING

*Come Thou Fount

Come Thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love

Here I raise my *Ebenezer, hither by Thy help I'm come
And I hope by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor, daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy goodness like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee
Prone to wander Lord I feel it, prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above

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**an altar to remind of God's faithfulness in 1 Samuel 7"
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*THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Isaiah 6:1-8

***Endless Light**

From the highest throne to the earth below
You laid down Your life for the likes of us
Great is the love of the Savior

From the wounded heart to a life made whole
Every human heart will declare as one
Great is the love of the Savior

Lord of endless light let Your glory shine forever
All the earth all the earth sing Your praise

From the mountain heights to the valleys low
All created things given life to show
Jesus we live for Your glory

From the rising sun to the still of night
Every waking moment for Your delight
Jesus we live for Your glory

(chorus)

Lord of endless light let Your glory shine forever
All the earth all the earth sing Your praise
Hope of every heart let Your name be lifted higher
All our hearts all our hearts sing Your praise

God be exalted God be exalted in everything
We live for Your glory live for Your glory (2x)

(repeat chorus)

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***THE RESPONSIVE READING OF PSALM 37:1-11**

LEADER: Fret not yourself because of evildoers;
be not envious of wrongdoers!

**ALL: For they will soon fade like the grass
and wither like the green herb.**

LEADER: Trust in the LORD, and do good;
dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness.

**ALL: Delight yourself in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.**

LEADER: Commit your way to the LORD;
trust in him, and he will act.

**ALL: He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,
and your justice as the noonday.**

LEADER: Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him;
fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way,
over the man who carries out evil devices!

**ALL: Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath!
Fret not yourself; it tends only to evil.**

LEADER: For the evildoers shall be cut off,
but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land.

**ALL: In just a little while, the wicked will be no more;
though you look carefully at his place, he will not be there.**

LEADER: But the meek shall inherit the land
and delight themselves in abundant peace.

THE PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

**All: Merciful Father, who gave your son for us: Forgive us our sins.
We confess that we often fret rather than trust;
Delight in the gifts you give us rather than in you;
Rely upon our own righteousness rather than relish Christ's;
Live restless out of fear rather than resting in faith.
We praise you for the salvation that is through Christ.
Cause us to shake off our fear, trust in Him, and live in abundant peace.**

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

LEADER: For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. 2 Corinthians 5:21

ALL: Thanks be to God. Amen.

***THE PROFESSION OF FAITH: Heidelberg Catechism #60**

LEADER: How are you right with God?

**ALL: Only by true faith in Jesus Christ.
Even though my conscience accuses me
of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments
and of never having kept any of them,
and even though I am still inclined toward all evil,
nevertheless,
without my deserving it at all,
out of sheer grace,
God grants and credits to me
the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ,
as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner,
as if I had been as perfectly obedient
as Christ was obedient for me.
All I need to do is to accept this gift of God with a believing heart.**

***Awake, My Soul, to Sing**

Awake, my soul, to sing of Jesus' mercy
For neither death nor sin will conquer thee
Christ did my ransom pay while I preferred my stains
When Jesus died for me

Awake, my soul, to sing of Jesus' merit
When God His judgment brings, hide me in Thee
While robed in righteousness, I will not fear it
Since Jesus died for me

Awake, my soul, to sing of Jesus' blessing
Whose love lays hold of me and bids me see
He guides and guards my loves, and I am yielded
Since Jesus died for me

Awake, my soul, to sing of Jesus' promise
Whose Word and victory will changeless be
For Christ's I am today and Christ's I will be
Since Jesus died for me
Since Jesus died for me
Since Jesus died for me

***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 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 SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

8:15am: Robert Miles McKenzie, Kaylee Marie McKenzie
10:45am: Daniel Mandel Turner

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.
CONNECT CLASS [5TH & 6TH GRADE] HEAD DIRECTLY TO ROOM 7)

(10:45AM SERVICE: INTERNATIONALS WHO WISH TO ATTEND THE SPECIAL INTERNATIONAL
TEACHING TIME MAY BE DISMISSED AT THIS TIME TO ROOM 17 —JUST TO THE RIGHT AS YOU LEAVE THE 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

James 1:19-25

RESPONSE TO THE READING OF THE WORD

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

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.

Have Mercy on Me

Have mercy on me, have mercy on me
O Lord, have mercy, O Lord, have mercy

(repeat)

O, help my unbelief. O, help my unbelief
O Lord, have mercy, O Lord, have mercy

Have mercy on me, have mercy on me
O Lord, have mercy, O Lord, have mercy
Have mercy, have mercy

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Grace Flows Down

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound;
Amazing love, now flowing down
From hands and feet that were nailed to the tree
As grace flows down and covers me.

(chorus)

It covers me, it covers me,
It covers me, and covers me.

(repeat)

(repeat chorus)

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10,000 Reasons

(chorus)

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,
Worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul.
I will worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning;
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

(repeat chorus)

You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger.
Your name is great, and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing;
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

(repeat chorus)

And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near, and my time has come;
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending;
Ten thousand years and then forevermore!

(repeat chorus 2x)

I will worship Your holy name.
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*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: Larry Swinson & Joe Harvey
Available for prayer after 10:45 worship: Warran Wiebe & Michael Lemon

*Congregation will stand.