THE WORSHIP OF GOD

October 6, 2019

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

THE GATHERING

*The Solid Rock

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name. On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand, all other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace; In ev'ry high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil. On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand, all other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, His covenant, His blood support me in the whelming flood; When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand, all other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found, Dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne. On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand, all other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

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TEXT: Edward Mote MUSIC: William B. Bradbury

***THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

*THE RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP: PSALM 95.1-7

LEADER: Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

ALL: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

LEADER: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

ALL: In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

LEADER: The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

ALL: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

*Salvation to the Lamb

Poor sinner, come, cast off thy fear, and raise thy heavy head; Come, sing with all poor sinners here, Jesus, who once was dead.

Saints, from the garden to the cross, Your conquering Lord pursue, Who, dearly to redeem your loss, did bleed and die for you.

(chorus)

Salvation sing and mercy sound when joined at Jesus' name; Let every thankful tongue respond, "Salvation to the Lamb."

Who reigns in vict'ry over death? The glorious great I AM! Let every soul repeat with faith: "Salvation to the Lamb."

For here our sacrifice we meet: the Lamb who freely came; Repeat, ye ransomed souls, repeat, "Salvation to the Lamb."

(repeat chorus 2x)

"Salvation to the Lamb." "Salvation to the Lamb."

Words by Joseph Hart. Music by Ryan Mayo and Tyler Clements

THE READING OF HEBREWS 4:14-16

THE PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ALL: Almighty God, who ordained that I should live my life within these narrow bounds of time and circumstance, let me go forth into the world with a brave and trustful heart. Let me face my hardships with the strength you supply, Let your word prosper in my heart, Let me not refuse any opportunity of service today, Nor fall prey to any temptation that lies in wait for me, Let me not repeat the sins of yesterday, Nor set any evil example for tomorrow. Bring me to great faith, that I might lay hold of things unseen, And walk in newness of life through Christ Jesus my Savior. Amen.

(Adapted from the prayers of John Ballie)

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

THE ASSURANCE

LEADER: There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 8:1, 31-35, 37-39)

ALL: Thanks be to God who saves me from all my sin.

*Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea. A great High Priest whose name is "Love," Who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart; I know that while in Heav'n He stands no tongue can bid me thence depart, No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look and see Him there Who made an end to all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free; For God, the Just, is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me, To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there! the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless Righteousness, The great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace! One with Himself I cannot die, my soul is purchased by His blood; My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God.

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*Christ Be All Around Me

As I rise, strength of God, go before, lift me up As I wake, eyes of God, look upon, be my sight As I wait, heart of God, satisfy and sustain As I hear, voice of God, lead me on, be my guide, be my guide

(chorus)

Above and below me, before and behind me In every eye that sees me, Christ be all around me (repeat)

As I go, hand of God, my defense, by my side And as I rest, breath of God, fall upon, bring me peace...bring me peace

(repeat chorus)

Your life, Your death, Your blood was shed For every moment, every moment (repeat)

(repeat chorus 2x)

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*THE PROFESSION OF FAITH: Psalm 23

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

(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

Judges 4

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.

Grace and Peace

Grace and peace, oh, how can this be? For lawbreakers and thieves, for the worthless, the least, You have said, that our judgment is death, For all eternity, without hope, without rest

(chorus)

[Oh,] what an amazing mystery, what an amazing mystery That Your grace has come to me

Grace and peace, oh, how can this be? The matchless King of all, paid the blood price for me! Slaughtered lamb, what atonement You bring! The vilest sinner's heart, can be cleansed, can be free

(repeat chorus)

Grace and peace, oh how can this be? Let songs of gratefulness, ever rise, never cease, Loved by God, and called as a saint, My heart is satisfied, in the riches of Christ

(repeat chorus 2x)

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Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven; at His feet thy tribute bring. Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore His praises sing: Alleluia, Alleluia, Praise the everlasting King. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Praise Him for His grace and favor to our fathers in distress; Praise Him still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless. Alleluia, Alleluia, Glorious in faithfulness. Alleluia, Alleluia.

(chorus) Jesus, my life. Jesus, my strength. Jesus, my love. All to You, All to You, Jesus.

Angels, help us to adore Him, Ye behold Him face to face; Sun and moon, bow down before Him; dwellers all in time and space, Alleluia, Alleluia, Praise with us the God of grace. Alleluia, Alleluia.

(repeat chorus)

Fatherlike He tends and spares us, well our feeble frame He knows; In His hands He gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes. Alleluia, Alleluia, Widely still His mercy flows. Alleluia, Alleluia.

WORDS: Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847)

Song of Moses

Oh the Lord, our strength and song, highest praise to Him belongs Christ the Lord, the Conquering King, Your Name we raise, Your triumphs sing

(chorus) Praise the Lord, our Mighty Warrior Praise the Lord, the Glorious One By His hand we stand in victory, By His Name we overcome

Though the storms of hell pursue, in darkest night we worship You You divide the raging sea, from death to life You safely lead

(repeat chorus)

All the saints and angels bow, hosts of heaven crying out Glory, glory to the King, You reign for all eternity

(repeat chorus)

The Lord shall reign forever and ever The Lord shall reign forever and ever (4x)

(repeat chorus 2x)

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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: Michael Lemon & Warran Wiebe Available for prayer after 10:45 worship: Caleb Stegall & Scott Rask