

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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GATHERING

***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

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 100

*Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!
Serve the Lord with gladness!
Come into His presence with singing!*

**ALL: Know that the Lord, He is God!
It is He who made us, and we are His;
We are His people, and the sheep of His pasture**

*Leader: Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise!
Give thanks to Him; bless His name!*

**ALL: For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever,
and His faithfulness to all generations.**

*God is For Us

We won't fear the battle, we won't fear the night
We will walk the valley, with you by our side
You will go before us, You will lead the way
We have found a refuge, only you can save

(chorus)

Sing with joy now our God is for us
The Father's love is a strong and mighty fortress
Raise your voice now, no love is greater
Who can stand against us if our God is for us

Even when I stumble, even when I fall
Even when I turn back, still your love is sure
You will not abandon, You will not forsake
You will cheer me onward with never ending grace

(repeat chorus)

Neither height nor depth can separate us
Hell and death will not defeat us,
He who gave his son to free us, holds me in his love (2x)

(repeat chorus 2x)

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 48:17-19

Thus says the Lord, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: "I am the Lord your God, who teaches you to profit, who leads you in the way you should go.

Oh that you had paid attention to my commandments! Then your peace would have been like a river, and your righteousness like the waves of the sea;

your offspring would have been like the sand, and your descendants like its grains; their name would never be cut off or destroyed from before me."

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ALL: God of all grace, you have given us Jesus, the light of the world,
but we confess that we sometimes choose darkness
and cling to things that hide the brightness of your grace.

Immersed in ourselves, we often gratify the flesh,
give in to the powers and principalities of this world,
and refuse to walk in the newness of life we have in Jesus.

Please forgive us, and fill us with your Spirit,
that we might live as disciples of Jesus,
who is our Lord and our light forever.

PRIVATE CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Colossians 1:11-14

LEADER: May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

ALL: He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

***The Love of God**

The love of God is greater far than tongue or pen can ever tell;
It goes beyond the highest star, and reaches to the lowest hell;
The guilty pair, bowed down with care, God gave His Son to win;
His erring child He reconciled, and pardoned from his sin.

When years of time shall pass away, and earthly thrones and kingdoms fall,
When men, who here refuse to pray, on rocks and hills and mountains call,
God's love so sure, shall still endure, all measureless and strong;
Redeeming grace to Adam's race the saints' and angels' song.

(chorus)

O love of God, how rich and pure! How measureless and strong!
It shall forevermore endure, the saints' and angels' song.

Could we with ink the ocean fill, and were the skies of parchment made,
Were every stalk on earth a quill, and every man a scribe by trade,
To write the love of God above, would drain the ocean dry.
Nor could the scroll contain the whole, though stretched from sky to sky.

(repeat chorus 2x)

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***Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me**

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side, the Savior He will stay
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need, His power is displayed

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley He will lead
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven
The future sure, the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For He has said that He will bring me home
And day by day I know He will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to Him
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
Yet not I, but through Christ in me! (repeat)

When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

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PROFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried;
He descended into Hell;
the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into Heaven,
and is seated on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.

(Note: Although not written by the apostles, this creed is a summary of their teachings. Though its origin is traced to the second century, it developed into its present form by the sixth or seventh century. For the sake of clarity, please note that we believe that Jesus suffered the agony and punishment of Hell on the cross, most especially when He knew that He had been forsaken by His Father, and that He died a real death from which He was resurrected. We believe also that "holy catholic church" refers to the church universal.)

PRAYER OF SUPPLICATION

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." Please make checks payable to Grace PCA, with "General" or "Building" included in the check memo.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

SERMON: JAMES 3:13-18

Ryan Mayo

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

LORD'S SUPPER

Hallelujah! What A Savior

Man of sorrows, what a name for the Son of God who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim Hallelujah! What a Savior

Stand unclean, no one else could in my place condemned He stood
Now His nearness is my good Hallelujah! What a Savior

Guilty, helpless, lost were we, blameless Lamb of God was he,
Sacrificed to set us free, Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Lifted up was He to die "It is finished!" was His cry
Now in Heaven lifted high Hallelujah! What a Savior

When He comes, our Glorious King all His ransomed home to bring
Then anew this song we'll sing Hallelujah! What a Savior
Hallelujah! What a Savior, hallelujah! What a Savior

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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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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)

Holy holy, worthy are you Lord
All glory to your name forever (4x)

(repeat chorus 2x)

You crown the year with Your goodness
You answer us with awesome deeds

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

AFTER SERVICE PRAYER

Mike Wuthrich & Kevin Hinegardner

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 email prayer@gpca.church or contact one of the pastors 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.

*CONGREGATION WILL STAND

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