



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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CALL TO WORSHIP

***Psalm 33: 1, 4-5**

*Leader: Shout for joy in the Lord, O you righteous!
Praise befits the upright.*

**All: For the word of the Lord is upright,
and all His work is done in faithfulness.
He loves righteousness and justice;
the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*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.

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

*God With Us

You've come to bring peace, to be love, to be nearer to us
You've come to bring life, to be light, to shine brighter in us
Oh Emmanuel, God with us

(chorus)

Our Deliverer, You are Savior
In Your presence we find our strength
Over everything, our Redemption, God with us
You are God with us

You've come to be hope, to this world, for Your honor and name
And You've come to take sin, to bear shame, and to conquer the grave
Oh Emmanuel, God with us

(repeat chorus)

You are here, you are holy, we are here to give you glory (Lord) (4x)

Our Deliverer, You are Savior
In Your presence we find our strength
Over everything, our Redemption, God with us

(repeat chorus)

You are God with us

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SCRIPTURE READING

James 1:19-27

Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God. Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.

If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

All: Almighty Father,
have mercy on us.

Though You have freed us from bondage, we have not always helped others.
Though You have healed us, we have not always bound up the broken.
Though You forgive our sins, we have not always forgiven our enemies.
Though You gave us Your own Son, we have often withheld mercy from others.

In our sins, we are without excuse, but not without hope.

In Your mercy, count our sins to Jesus, and count His righteousness to us.
Forgive us, restore us, and transform us through the power of Your Spirit,
which is at work in us.

PRIVATE CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***2nd Corinthians 5: 17-18, 21**

*Leader: Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.
The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.
All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to Himself
and gave us the ministry of reconciliation...*

*For our sake He made him to be sin who knew no sin,
so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.*

*Jesus, I Come

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;
Into Thy freedom, gladness and light, Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of my sickness into Thy health, out of my wanting and into Thy wealth,
Out of my sin and into Thyself, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross, Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm, out of life's storms and into Thy calm,
Out of distress into jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;
Into Thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love, out of despair into raptures above,
Upward forever on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;
Into the joy and light of Thy home, Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of the depths of ruin untold, into the peace of Thy sheltering fold,
Ever Thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to Thee.
Jesus, I come to Thee, Jesus, I come to Thee.

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PROFESSION OF FAITH

*Heidelberg Catechism 66

Leader: What are sacraments?

**All: Sacraments are visible, holy signs and seals.
They were instituted by God so that by our use of them,
He might make us understand more clearly the promise of the gospel,
and seal that promise.**

**And this is God's gospel promise:
He grants us forgiveness of sins and eternal life by grace
because of Christ's one sacrifice accomplished on the cross.**

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Jasper Theophilus Ballinger, August Wilder Ballinger, Oliver Francis-Dean Ballinger

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: NEHEMIAH 8:9-18

Tyler Clements

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

What Wondrous Love Is This

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul.

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down, beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb who is the great "I Am,"
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
While millions join the theme, I will sing.

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on,
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
And thro' eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And thro' eternity I'll sing on.

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow Thee;
Destitute, despised, forsaken, Thou from hence my all shalt be.
Perish every fond ambition, all I've sought or hoped or known;
Yet how rich is my condition, God and heaven are still my own.

Let the world despise and leave me, they have left my Savior too;
Human hearts and looks deceive me; Thou art not, like them, untrue;
Oh, while Thou dost smile upon me, God of wisdom, love and might,
Foes may hate and friends disown me; show Thy face, and all is bright.

Go then earthly fame and treasure, come disaster, scorn and pain;
In Thy service pain is pleasure, with Thy favor loss is gain.
I have called Thee Abba Father, I have stayed my heart on Thee;
Storms may howl and clouds may gather, all must work for good to me.

Soul, then, know thy full salvation, rise o'er sin and fear and care;
Joy to find in every station, something still to do or bear;
Think what Spirit dwells within thee, think what Father's smiles are thine,
Think that Jesus died to win thee: child of heaven, canst thou repine?

Haste thee on from grace to glory, armed by faith and winged by prayer;
Heaven's eternal day's before thee, God's own hand shall guide thee there.
Soon shall close thy earthly mission, soon shall pass thy pilgrim days;
Hope shall change to glad fruition, faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

How Marvelous

I stand amazed in the presence,
Of Jesus the Nazarene
And wonder how He could love me
A sinner condemned unclean

(chorus)

How marvelous, how wonderful,
And my song shall ever be
How marvelous, how wonderful
Is my Savior's love for me

He took my sins and my sorrows,
He made them His very own
He bore the burden to Calvary
And suffered and died alone

(repeat chorus)

When with the ransomed in glory,
His face I at last shall see
'Twill be my joy through the ages
To sing of his love for me

(repeat chorus 2x)

Is my Savior's love for me

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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

Kevin Hinegardner & Don Griffin

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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