



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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CALL TO WORSHIP

***Psalm 103: 1-4**

*Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless His holy name!*

**All: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits,
who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

***Psalm 150 (Praise the Lord)**

You made the starry hosts,
You traced the mountain peaks
You paint the evening sky with wonders
The earth, it is Your throne,
From desert to the sea,
All nature testifies Your splendor

(chorus)

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Sing His greatness all creation
Praise the Lord, raise your voice,
You heights and all you depths
From furthest east to west,
Let everything that has breath praise the Lord

You reached into the dust,
In love, Your Spirit breathed,
You formed us in Your very likeness
To know Your wondrous works,
To tell Your mighty deeds,
To join the everlasting chorus

(repeat chorus)

Let symphonies resound,
Let drums and choirs ring out,
All heaven hear the sound of worship
Let every nation bring, its honors to the King,
A roar of harmonies eternal

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Sing His greatness all creation
Praise the Lord, raise your voice,
You heights and all you depths
From furthest east to west, you distant burning stars
All creatures, near and far,
From sky to sea to shore, sing out forevermore
Let everything that has breath, praise the Lord

***How Great Is Your Faithfulness**

Now unto the King who reigns over all,
And never changes or turns.
Unfailing justice, unfading grace,
Whose promises remain,
Yes, Your promises remain.

(chorus)

The heavens ring, the saints all sing,
'Great is Your faithfulness.'
From age to age we will proclaim,
'Great is Your faithfulness,
How great is Your faithfulness.'

Everything changes, but You stay the same;
Your Word and kingdom endure.
We lean on the promise of all that You are,
And trust forevermore;
We will trust forevermore.

(repeat chorus)

From generation to generation,
You never fail us, O God.
Yesterday and today and tomorrow,
Until the day You return. (repeat)

The heavens ring, the saints all sing,
'Great is Your faithfulness.'
From age to age we will proclaim,
'Great is Your faithfulness'

(repeat chorus)

'How great is Your faithfulness.'

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SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 5

It is actually reported that there is sexual immorality among you, and of a kind that is not tolerated even among pagans, for a man has his father's wife. And you are arrogant! Ought you not rather to mourn? Let him who has done this be removed from among you.

For though absent in body, I am present in spirit; and as if present, I have already pronounced judgment on the one who did such a thing. When you are assembled in the name of the Lord Jesus and my spirit is present, with the power of our Lord Jesus, you are to deliver this man to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, so that his spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord.

Your boasting is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

I wrote to you in my letter not to associate with sexually immoral people— not at all meaning the sexually immoral of this world, or the greedy and swindlers, or idolaters, since then you would need to go out of the world. But now I am writing to you not to associate with anyone who bears the name of brother if he is guilty of sexual immorality or greed, or is an idolater, reviler, drunkard, or swindler—not even to eat with such a one. For what have I to do with judging outsiders? Is it not those inside the church whom you are to judge? God judges those outside. “Purge the evil person from among you.”

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

All: Almighty and most merciful Father,
we are thankful that your mercy is higher than the heavens,
wider than our wanderings,
deeper than all our sin.

Forgive our careless attitudes toward your purposes,
our refusal to relieve the suffering of others,
our envy of those who have more than we have,
our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure,
our indifference to the treasures of heaven,
our neglect of your wise and gracious law.

Work in our lives that we may desire what is good, love what you love,
and do what you command, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PRIVATE CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*John 3: 16-17

*Leader: For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son,
that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.
For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world,
but in order that the world might be saved through him.*

*All I Have is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night
Yet thought I knew the way
The sin that promised joy and life
Had led me to the grave
I had no hope that You would own
A rebel to Your will
And if You had not loved me first
I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race
Indifferent to the cost
You looked upon my helpless state
And led me to the cross
And I beheld God's love displayed
You suffered in my place
You bore the wrath reserved for me
Now all I know is grace

(chorus)

Hallelujah all I have is Christ,
Hallelujah Jesus is my life

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone
And live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands
Could never come from me
O Father use my ransomed life
In any way You choose
And let my song forever be
My only boast is You

(repeat chorus 3x)

***Ancient of Days**

Though the nations rage, Kingdoms rise and fall
There is still one king reigning over all
So I will not fear for this truth remains
That my God is, the Ancient of Days

(chorus)

None above him none before him
All of time in his hands
For His throne it shall remain and ever stand
All the power all the glory I will trust in His name
For my God is, the Ancient of days

Though the dread of night overwhelms my soul
He is here with me I am not alone
O his love is sure and he knows my name
For my God is, the Ancient of Days

(repeat chorus)

Though I may not see, what the future brings
I will watch and wait, for the Savior king
Then my joy complete, standing face to face
In the presence of the Ancient of Days

(repeat chorus)

For my God is, the Ancient of Days

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism 81

Leader: Who should come to the Lord's Table?

All: Those who are displeased with themselves because of their sins,
but who nevertheless trust that their sins are pardoned
and that their remaining weakness is covered
by the suffering and death of Christ,
and who also desire more and more to strengthen their faith
and to lead a better life.
Hypocrites and those who are unrepentant, however,
eat and drink judgment on themselves.

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 13

George Boomer

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

Come Unto Jesus

Come unto Jesus, all you who are weary,
come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel
Here bring your wounded heart, broken and needy,
come unto Jesus, mighty to heal

Joy of the comfortless, light for the straying,
hope of the penitent, peace in our strife
Here speaks the Comforter, tenderly saying,
"My yoke is easy, My burden is light"

(chorus)

Come unto Jesus, come unto Jesus
Lay down your burdens, He is enough
Come unto Jesus, rest in His love

Come, taste the Bread of Life broken for sinners
Drink from the cup of His promise made sure
Feast at His table as sons and as daughters
Grace overflowing is yours evermore

(repeat chorus)

Come now and follow Him, this life forsaking
All that was gained count as nothing but loss
Trade all this world for His kingdom unfading
Come unto Jesus, and take up your cross,
come unto Jesus, and take up your cross
Life everlasting He offers to us

(repeat chorus 2x)

Come unto Jesus, rest in His love

My Name is on His Heart

Praise the Lord, my burden's laid aside
Praise the Lord, the guilt no longer mine
And if I should stumble in the dark
Praise the Lord, my name is on His heart

Praise the Lord, the shepherd, He has come
Praise the Lord, He left to look for one
Even if my soul should wander far
Praise the Lord, my name is on His heart

(chorus)
Find rest, o my soul
Find rest in Him the Lord
He is my rock and my salvation,
My fortress, and I will never be shaken

Praise the Lord, the day is almost here
Praise the Lord, I long to meet Him there
And with Him I dwell and never part
Praise the Lord, my name is on His heart

(repeat chorus x2)

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone.
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to him belong.
Who holds our days within his hand?
What comes, apart from his command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ, in which we stand.

(chorus)
O sing hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal;
O sing hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death.

What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good.
Where is his grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood.
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

(repeat chorus)

Unto the grave, what shall we sing?
"Christ, he lives; Christ, he lives!"
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with him.
There we will rise to meet the Lord,
Then sin and death will be destroyed,
And we will feast in endless joy,
When Christ is ours forevermore.

(repeat chorus 2x)

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

Jason Lichte & 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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