



Sunday, May 21, 2017
Sixth Sunday of Easter
Worship at 9:30 AM

GATHERING

Gathering Songs

You Are Holy/Prince of Peace

You are holy (ECHO)
You are mighty (ECHO)
You are worthy (ECHO)
Worthy of praise (ECHO)
I will follow (ECHO)
I will listen (ECHO)
I will love You (ECHO)
All of my days (ECHO)

You are Lord of lords You are King of kings
You are mighty God Lord of ev'rything
You're Emmanuel You're the Great I Am
You're the Prince of Peace who is the Lamb
You're the living God You're my saving grace
You will reign forever You are Ancient of Days
You are Alpha Omega Beginning and End
You're my Savior Messiah Redeemer and Friend
You're my Prince of Peace
And I will live my life for You

You are holy (ECHO)
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Worthy of praise (ECHO)
I will follow (ECHO)
I will listen (ECHO)
I will love You (ECHO)
All of my days (ECHO)

I will sing to and worship
The King who is worthy
And I will love and adore Him
And I will bow down before Him
And I will sing to and worship
The King who is worthy
And I will love and adore Him
And I will bow down before Him
You're my Prince of Peace
And I will live my life for You

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Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be Your name
In the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out
I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in
Lord still I will say
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name
When the sun's shining down on me

When the world's all as it should be
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out
I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in
Lord still I will say
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

You give and take away
You give and take away
My heart will choose to say
Lord blessed be Your name

Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

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How Great is Our God

The splendor of the King
Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice
All the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice
And trembles at His voice

How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God

And all will see how great
How great is our God

Age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End
Beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one
Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb
The Lion and the Lamb

How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see how great
How great is our God

How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see how great
How great is our God

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Greeting

*The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

Installation of new Church Council members and Officers

Anthem Blessings

WORD

Scripture Reading 1 Peter 3:13-22 Bible, pg. 985

Christians have a zeal for doing what is right in God's eyes no matter what the circumstances because in baptism we are saved and made alive. Thus our Christian beliefs and behavior are to be a matter of public record just as our baptism is.

¹³Who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, ¹⁵but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. ¹⁸For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God

Children's Message

Please stand, as you are able

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia

Hymnal #170



Alleluia. Those who love me will keep my word, and my Fa- | ther will love them,* and we will come to them and make our | home with them.

Alleluia. (John 14:23)

Holy Gospel

John 14:15-27

Bible, pg. 877

In final words to his disciples on the night of his arrest, Jesus encourages obedience to his commandments and speaks of the Spirit, who will be with them forever.

The Holy Gospel, according to John, the 14th chapter:

Glory to you, O Lord

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

¹⁸"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

²²Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, "Lord, how is it that you will reveal yourself to us, and not to the world?" ²³Jesus answered him, "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

²⁵I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I

leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

The Gospel of our Lord:

Praise to you, O Christ

Please be seated

Message

The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song

Hymn of the Day

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)

You call me out upon the waters
The great unknown where feet may fail
And there I find You in the mystery
In oceans deep my faith will stand

And I will call upon Your name
And keep my eyes above the waves
When oceans rise
My soul will rest in Your embrace
For I am Yours and You are mine

Your grace abounds in deepest waters
Your sov'reign hand will be my guide
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me
You've never failed and You won't start now

And I will call upon Your name
And keep my eyes above the waves
When oceans rise
My soul will rest in Your embrace
For I am Yours and You are mine

Oh and You are mine oh

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders
Let me walk upon the waters
Wherever You would call me

Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander
And my faith will be made stronger
In the presence of my Savior
(repeat several times)

I will call upon Your name
Keep my eyes above the waves
My soul will rest in Your embrace
I am Yours and You are mine

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Nicene Creed

Hymnal pg. 104

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers

Hymnal #752

At the conclusion of each petition, the assembly sings:

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

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Peace

MEAL

Offering

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

Anthem during the offering

We Believe

arr. Heather Sorenson

*In this time of desperation when all we know is doubt and fear,
There is only one foundation: we believe, we believe.*

*In this broken generation, when all is dark, You help us see.
There is only one salvation: we believe, we believe.*

*We believe in God the Father. We believe in Jesus Christ.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, and He's given us new life.
We believe in the crucifixion, we believe that He conquered death.*

*We believe in the resurrection, and He's coming back again.
We believe.*

*So let our faith be more than anthems, let our faith be more than a song.
Greater than the songs we sing, greater than the songs we sing.
In our weakness and temptations, we believe, we believe.*

*We believe in God the Father. We believe in Jesus Christ.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, and He's given us new life.
We believe in the crucifixion, we believe that He conquered death.
We believe in the resurrection, and He's coming back again.*

*Let the lost be found, let the dead be raised; in the here and now let love
invade.
Let the church live loud! Our God, we'll say, "We believe! We believe!"
And the gates of hell will not prevail, for the pow'r of God has torn the veil.
Now we know Your love will never fail, We believe! We believe!*

*We believe in God the Father. We believe in Jesus Christ.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, and He's given us new life.
We believe in the crucifixion, we believe that He conquered death.
We believe in the resurrection, and He's coming back,
Coming back again, coming back again!
We believe, we believe!*

Offertory For Such a Time as This

Could it be that we are called for such a time as this?
Could it be that we are called for such a time as this?

Other verses:
... that you are called
... that I am called

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Offering Prayer

Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread,
as you were made known to the disciples.
Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives,
that we may be your risen body in the world.
Amen.

Words of Institution

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Now let us feast this Easter day
on Christ, the bread of heaven. Hallelujah!

Music during Communion

Lamb of God

Hymnal pg. 154



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

Anthem I'll Fly Away

American Traditional

Song 10,000 Reasons/Bless the Lord

Chorus

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

Verse 1

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 *Chorus*

Verse 2

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 *Chorus*

Verse 3

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 *Chorus*

(Ending)

Worship Your holy name
Lord I'll worship Your holy name

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Song Be Thou My Vision Hymnal #793

1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
 naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
 thou my best thought both by day and by night,
 waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

- 2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.
Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r,
raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
- 3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, the first in my heart,
great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.
- 4 Light of my soul, after victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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Song Here I Am, Lord Hymnal #574

- 1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?"

Refrain

- Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.
- 2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?" *Refrain*

3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?" *Refrain*

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Table Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

Prayer after Communion

Life-giving God,
in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection
you send light to conquer darkness,
water to give new life,
and the bread of heaven to nourish your people.
Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection
that we may show your glory to all the world;
through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.
Amen.

SENDING

Blessing of Graduates and their Families

Grant Bangen
Taylor Bengston
Emma Culshaw
Grace Culshaw
Andrew DeJong
Addie Erickson

Alexis Goeser
Adeline Gunderson
Avery Hovland
Carly Hulstein
Michael Kompelien
Brooklyn Lindblad
Alayna Ritz
Elijah Slagter
Kylie Thompson
Kaitlin Wold

Each portion of the blessing ends "Thank you God." The assembly responds
"For the blessings of our past and promise of our future."

P. High school graduation is a wonderful achievement to celebrate. Still, we have a sense that this is more than just a diploma, that God is present in this moment too. As we know the language God speaks is story and symbol and ritual. So as we seek to honor God's presence in this moment of our life together we invite you to participate in a blessing ritual, a time of naming and touch and prayer.

All graduating seniors, will you please come forward along with your parents, godparents, grandparents, family. After each petition, when I say, **Thank you God**, everyone is invited to respond **For the blessings of our past and promise of our future**.

P. Parents, grandparents, family please stand behind your child as he kneels. Now place your hands on your child's back. Feel the warmth of these hands move through your body to your heart. Let the warmth remind you of your parent's love given in the past, a love that was given then and will never be regretted. There was a time when their warm hands would cover your whole back, now that you have grown; the warmth of their love still goes deep within you. **Thank you God,**

C. For the blessings of our past and promise of our future.

P Parents, move your hands to your child's shoulders. As your parents push down a little, graduates, feel the weight of what it means to be a child of these particular parents, a member of this particular family. Also, let the weight remind you of the responsibilities your parents took on to be able to provide you with the life and options before you today. **Thank you God,**

C. For the blessings of our past and promise of our future.

P Mom and dad place your hands on your child's neck and give it a little rub for comfort's sake. Remember all the skinned knees and other "owies" and how you counted on mom or dad to find a Band-Aid and make things better? Remember now - that same comfort is still yours and as handy as an email, FB post or cell phone call home. **Thank you God,**

C. For the blessings of our past and promise of our future.

P. Now, place your hands on your child's head. This is the traditional posture of blessing. As hands rest on your head, remember those times of connection with the holy - times of baptism, bedtime prayers, family meals, remember the support and examples of faith showed to you by your faith communities. May you be blessed with continued life giving connections with our Lord and always recall the scriptural promise that nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Thank you God,**

C. For the blessings of our past and promise of our future.

P. Finally parents . . . let go. Trusting in God's promises we let go and ask God to listen to our grateful hearts: The amazing grace of Jesus, the extravagant love of God and the intimate friendship of the Holy Spirit is with us all. Lord thank you: for love shared, for responsibilities taught and learned, for compassion and unwavering support and for the gift of faith. Thank you the faith community here today, thank you for these parents, thank you for all graduates and thank you for this moment in our life together. **Thank you God,**

C. For the blessings of our past and promise of our future.

P. In the strong and gentle name of Jesus, let the congregation say

C. Amen.

Benediction

May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy.

Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Song

first time through \boxed{L} :
second time through \boxed{C} :

O God, You have called us to ventures where we can not see the
end, By paths never yet taken, Through perils unknown.
Give us good courage Not knowing where we go, To
know that your hand is leading us Wherever we might go.
A - - - - men.

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#) and a common time signature (C). It consists of five staves of music. The first staff begins with a first ending bracket (L) and a second ending bracket (C). The lyrics are placed below the notes. There are measure numbers 4, 9, 13, and 17 indicated at the start of their respective staves. The piece concludes with a double bar line and a fermata over the final note.

Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.