



The Harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest" Luke 10:2

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# Welcome!

For God's glory and by His grace, Harvest Fellowship exists to make disciples of Jesus Christ who are progressively growing in their love of God, their love of people, and their commitment to help others grow as disciples.

If you are visiting with us today, we would love to have a record of your attendance. Please fill in the 'Welcome' card and place it in the offering plate."

*"He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him." John 1:10, 11*

## Prayer of Invocation

## Call to Worship

### **Sing To The King**

Words and music by Billy Foote

Sing to the King Who is coming to reign  
Glory to Jesus, the Lamb that was slain  
Life and salvation His empire shall bring  
And joy to the nations when Jesus is King

Come, let us sing a song  
A song declaring that we belong to Jesus  
He is all we need  
Lift up a heart of praise  
Sing now with voices raised to Jesus  
Sing to the King

For His returning we watch and we pray  
We will be ready the dawn of that day  
We'll join in singing with all the redeemed  
'Cause Satan is vanquished and Jesus is King

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### **The Power of The Cross**

Words & Music By Keith Getty & Stuart Townend

Oh, to see the dawn of the darkest day:  
Christ on the road to Calvary.  
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then  
Nailed to a cross of wood.

**This, the pow'r of the cross:  
Christ became sin for us;  
Took the blame, bore the wrath—  
We stand forgiven at the cross.**

Oh, to see the pain written on Your face,  
Bearing the awesome weight of sin.  
Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed  
Crowning Your bloodstained brow.

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath  
Quakes as its Maker bows His head.  
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life;  
"Finished!" the vict'ry cry.

Oh, to see my name written in the wounds,  
For through Your suffering I am free.  
Death is crushed to death;  
Life is mine to live, won through Your selfless love.

**This, the pow'r of the cross:  
Son of God—slain for us.  
What a love! What a cost!  
We stand forgiven at the cross."**

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### ***Just As I Am***

Words by Charlotte Elliot, 1836, Music by William Bradbury, 1849

Just as I am, without one plea  
but that Thy blood was shed for me,  
And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee,  
O Lamb of God I come, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about  
with many a conflict, many a doubt,  
Fightings and fears within, without,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,  
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
Because Thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, Thy love unknown  
has broken every barrier down;  
Now, to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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## Reading of God's Word

### John 6:51-69

## Preaching of the Word

*Children aged 4 yrs – 3<sup>d</sup> grade may now be dismissed for 'My Father's House'*

### **"A Hard Saying"**

Pastor Rich Good

## Confession of Sin

We confess, our holy and gracious Father, that we have not followed your will.

We are more ready to resent than to forgive,  
more ready to manipulate than to serve,  
more ready to fear than to love,  
more ready to keep our distance than to welcome,  
more ready to compete than to help.

At the root of this disobedience is mistrust.

We do not love one another as we should,  
because we struggle to believe that you love us as you do.

We fail to walk in goodness and kindness to others when we doubt your goodness and kindness to us.

Forgive us our unbelief. And make the reality and significance of your love at the cross more vivid to us.

Show us what it cost you to give up your Son in order to make us your sons and daughters.

We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

## The Lord's Supper

*Harvest Fellowship welcomes all baptized Christians who are willing to for- sake their sin and trust in Jesus Christ for salvation to partake in the Lord's Supper with us. Please note that we serve both wine and grape juice during Communion—the cups in the outer ring of the trays contain grape juice.*

## Collection of Tithes & Offerings

*"On the first day of every week, each of you is to put something aside, as he may prosper." 1 Corinthians 16:2*

## ***I Stand Amazed***

Words and music by Charles H. Gabriel

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

**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.

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.

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Benediction

## Sermon Texts

### The Scripture reading this morning is taken from: John 6:51-69

<sup>51</sup> I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

<sup>52</sup> The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” <sup>53</sup> So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. <sup>54</sup> Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. <sup>55</sup> For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. <sup>56</sup> Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. <sup>57</sup> As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. <sup>58</sup> This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers ate, and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever.” <sup>59</sup> Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as he taught at Capernaum.

<sup>60</sup> When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?” <sup>61</sup> But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, “Do you take offense at this? <sup>62</sup> Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? <sup>63</sup> It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. <sup>64</sup> But there are some of you who do not believe.” (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) <sup>65</sup> And he said, “This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father.”

<sup>66</sup> After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. <sup>67</sup> So Jesus said to the twelve, “Do you want to go away as well?” <sup>68</sup> Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, <sup>69</sup> and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God.”