

The Lord's Day Worship Service

April 15, 2018

God Calls Us To Worship

The Call To Worship

~ based on Isaiah 40 ~

Leader: "To whom will you compare Me that I should be like him?" says the Holy One.

Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings our their host by number, calling them all by name? By the greatness of His might, and because He is strong in power not one is missing.

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

Unison: He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint and to him who has no might he increases strength.

Leader: Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted...

Unison: ...but they who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not be faint.

Prayer Of Adoration

Songs Of Praise & Worship

"Majestic"

O Lord, our Lord
How majestic is
Your name in all the earth
O Lord, our Lord
How majestic is
Your name in all the earth

chorus
The heavens declare
Your greatness
The oceans cry out to You
The mountains
They bow down before You
So I'll join with the earth
And I'll give my praise to You

bridge
I will worship You, I will worship You
I will worship You, I will worship You

We will worship You
We will worship You

"Agnus Dei"

Alleluia, alleluia
For our Lord God Almighty reigns
Alleluia, alleluia
For our Lord God Almighty reigns
Alleluia

Holy, Holy
Are You Lord God Almighty
Worthy is the Lamb
Worthy is the Lamb

You are Holy, Holy
Are You Lord God Almighty
Worthy is the Lamb
Worthy is the Lamb
Amen

God Graciously Renews Us In Christ

Call To Repentance & Renewal

~ Psalm 33:13-14 ~

Leader: The Psalmist tells us,

"The Lord looks down from heaven; He sees all the children of man; from where

He sits enthroned He looks out on all the inhabitants of the earth, He who fashions the hearts of them all and observes all their deeds."

Prayer Of Confession

Leader: Merciful and holy God, You pardon all who truly turn from their sins and look to You in faith. We humbly confess our sins and ask for Your mercy: we have not loved You with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbour as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with You, our God.

~ Silent Confession & Reflection ~

Leader: Have mercy on us, O God. In Your lovingkindness and great compassion, cleanse us from all our sins in thought, word, and deed. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from Your presence or take Your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation and sustain us with a willing spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Words Of The Gospel

~ 1 Timothy 1:15 ~

Leader: Here are words that you may fully trust, words that deserve full acceptance: "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners."

To all who confess their sins and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ, He says, "Your sins are forgiven." He also says, "Follow me."

Song Of Response

"This Is Amazing Grace"

Who breaks the power
Of sin and darkness
Whose love is mighty
And so much stronger
The King of Glory
The King above all kings

Who shakes the whole earth
With holy thunder
Who leaves us breathless
In awe and wonder
The King of Glory
The King above all kings

chorus

This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You would lay down Your life
That I would be set free
Jesus, I sing for
All that You've done for me
(All that You've done for me)

Who brings our chaos back into order
Who makes the orphan
A son and daughter
The King of Glory
The King above all kings

Who rules the nations
With truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of Glory
The King above all kings

bridge

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
And worthy is the King
Who conquered the grave
And worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King
Who conquers the grave
And worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King
Who conquers the grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy, worthy, worthy

God Receives Our Offerings

The Prayers Of The People For The Church & City

Leader: "Let us pray...."

Unison: "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 also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil."

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Presentation Of Our Tithes & Offerings

Song Of Preparation

"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

chorus

O love of God how rich and pure
How measureless and strong
It shall forevermore endure
The saints and angels song

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

(repeat chorus)

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)

God Gives Us His Words Of Eternal Life

Today's Scripture Lesson:

"Suffering: A Better Way"

1 Peter 4:12-19

Pastor Mike Ivancic

God Feeds Us His Covenant Meal

Songs For Communion

"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
Oh Father, use my ransomed life
In any way You choose
And let my song forever be
My only boast is You

(repeat chorus)

"Praise the Father, Praise the Son"

O sov'reign God, O matchless King
The saints adore, the angels sing
And fall before the throne of grace
To You belongs the highest praise

These sufferings, this passing tide
Under Your wings I will abide
And every enemy shall flee
You are my hope and victory

chorus

Praise the Father, praise the Son
Praise the Spirit, Three in One
Clothed in power and in grace
The name above all other names

To the valley, for my soul
Thy great descent has made me whole
Your word my heart
Has welcomed home
Now peace like water ever flows

(repeat chorus)

bridge
Yours is the kingdom
Yours is the power
Yours is the glory forever
(repeat)

(repeat chorus)

“Before the Throne of God Above”

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong, a perfect plea
A great High Priest
Whose name is “Love”
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands,
My name is written on His heart,
I know that while in Heav’n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Saviour died
My sinful soul is counted free
For God, the Just, is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me
To look on Him and pardon me

Behold Him there! The risen Lamb
My perfect, spotless Righteousness
The great unchangeable I Am
The King of glory and of grace!
One with Himself I cannot die
My soul is purchased by His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ, my Saviour and my God
With Christ my Saviour and my God

Our Confession Of Faith

~ based on Romans 8:1, 29, 38-39 ~

Leader: Let us together profess our faith by saying...

Unison: We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God’s purpose.

We are convinced that neither life, nor death, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.



The Benediction

~ 2 Thessalonians 3:16 ~

Leader: “Now may the Lord of peace Himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with you all.”

Unison: Amen!



We’re delighted to have had you with us today. If you are looking for a place to explore Christianity and its life-changing relevance, we hope that you will find New City Church to be a safe place to ask questions and to grow in your understanding of the person and mission of the Lord Jesus Christ. If you have any questions about New City Church, Christianity, or the uniqueness of Jesus of Nazareth, please don’t hesitate to ask us.

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Prayer Training: April 29th at 6:30pm

Pastor John Smed will be preaching at New City Church on the morning of April 29th. On that evening, John will also lead us through a prayer training program that he developed. There will be a pizza dinner beginning at 6:30pm, followed by prayer training from 7-9pm. Please RSVP by email to: office@newcitychurch.ca so that enough food and study materials can be provided.

Santos Family Welcome

Pastor Carl, his wife Sara and their kids will be arriving in Calgary in early May.

Gifts for a "Welcome Wagon Gift Basket" are being collected until the end of April. Please contact Jessica Cheesman (jesschees@yahoo.ca) or Catherine Gordon (gordonlassie@shaw.ca) for more information or to make a contribution.

Volunteers are also required to fill various needs/roles (meals, babysitting, grocery shopping etc.) to help the Santos family during their move into their house on May 7th and during their first few weeks of settling in. There are sign up sheets available in the lobby, or contact Lori Blakeley (5blakeleys@gmail.com) if you are available to help in these various roles.

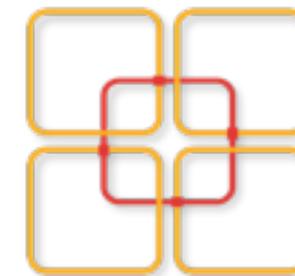
Jr & Sr High Youth Retreat: May 11-13

Our sister church in South Calgary (Woodgreen Presbyterian) is organizing an Alberta-wide Youth Retreat for Grades 6-12, at Gull Lake Centre (30mins NW of Red Deer) from Friday May 11th to Sunday May 13th. The topic for the weekend is “The Image of God” and the speakers will be Pastor Al Breitreuz (Sr High) and Pastor Brad Jones (Jr High). Brochures are available in the lobby. Please talk to the following contacts if you are interested in attending - Bottomleys for Jr High and Schwittais or McElroys for Sr High. New City Youth involvement will be based on NCC’s ability to provide an adequate number of adult chaperones. If you are able to help drive or would consider being an extra chaperone for the weekend, please let the above contacts know.

Last Week’s Givings: \$6,645.50



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To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest,
to all who mourn and long for comfort,
to all who struggle and desire victory,
to all who sin and need a Saviour,
to all who are strangers and want fellowship,
to all who are broken and long for healing,
to all who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
and to whosoever would come,
New City Church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome in the Name of Jesus Christ.

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