

The Lord's Day Worship Service

February 11, 2018

God Calls Us To Worship

The Call To Worship

~ based on Psalm 135 ~

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the name of the Lord, give praise O servants of the Lord, who stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God! Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good; sing to His name for it is pleasant.

Unison: Your name, O Lord, endures forever, Your renown, O Lord, throughout all ages.

Prayer Of Adoration

Songs Of Praise & Worship

"O For a Thousand Tongues"

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise
The glories of my God and King
The triumphs of His grace

My gracious Master and my God
Assist me to proclaim
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honours of Thy name

Jesus, the name that charms our fears
That bids our sorrows cease
'Tis music in the sinner's ears
'Tis life and health and peace

He breaks the power of cancelled sin
He sets the prisoner free
His blood can make the foulest clean
His blood availed for me

Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb
Your loosened tongues employ
Ye blind, behold your Saviour come
And leap, ye lame, for joy

"Our Great God"

Eternal God, unchanging
Mysterious and unknown
Your boundless love unfailing
In grace and mercy shown
Bright seraphim in ceaseless flight
Around your glorious throne
They raise their voices day and night
In praise to You alone

chorus

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God
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Lord, we are weak and frail
Helpless in the storm
Surround us with Your angels
Hold us in Your arms
Our cold and ruthless enemy
His pleasure is our harm
Rise up, O Lord, and he will flee
Before our sovereign God

(repeat chorus)

Let every creature in the sea
And every flying bird
Let every mountain, every field
And valley of the earth
Let all the moons and all the stars
In all the universe
Sing praises to the living God
Who rules them by His word

(repeat chorus)

God Graciously Renews Us In Christ

Call To Repentance & Renewal

~ based on Hebrews 4 & Psalm 51 ~

Leader: The Scriptures teach us that in every respect our Lord Jesus Christ was

tempted as we are, yet he was without sin. Let us therefore cry out with the Psalmist,

"Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your steadfast love; according to Your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!"

Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find help in our time of need.

Song of Confession

"Psalm 51 (God Be Merciful To Me)"

God be merciful to me
On Thy grace I rest my plea
Plenteous in compassion Thou
Blot out my transgressions now
Wash me, make me pure within
Cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin

My transgressions I confess
Grief and guilt my soul oppress
I have sinned against Thy grace
And provoked Thee to Thy face
I confess Thy judgment just
Speechless I Thy mercy trust

I am evil, born in sin
Thou desirest truth within
Thou alone my Saviour art
Teach Thy wisdom to my heart
Make me pure, Thy grace bestow
Wash me whiter than the snow

Broken, humbled to the dust
By Thy wrath and judgment just
Let my contrite heart rejoice
And in gladness hear Thy voice
From my sins O hide Thy face
Blot them out in boundless grace

Gracious God, my heart renew,
Make my spirit right and true
Cast me not away from Thee
Let Thy Spirit dwell in me
Thy salvation's joy impart
Steadfast make my willing heart.

Sinners then shall learn from me
And return, O God, to Thee
Saviour all my guilt remove
And my tongue shall sing Thy love
Touch my silent lips, O Lord
And my mouth shall praise accord

The Words Of The Gospel

~ based on Romans 5 & 8; Acts 10 ~

Leader: God demonstrates His own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. There is, therefore, now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus because, as all the prophets testify about Christ, everyone who believes in Him receives the forgiveness of sins through His name.

To all who humbly seek the mercy of God, I say to you that in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven!

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

"Immortal, Invisible"

Immortal, invisible, God only wise
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes
Most blessed, most glorious
The Ancient of Days
Almighty, victorious
Thy great name we praise

Unresting, unhasting and silent as light
Nor wanting, nor wasting
Thou rulest in might
Thy justice like mountains
High soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains
Of goodness and love

To all, life Thou givest
To both great and small
In all life Thou livest
The True Life of all
We blossom and flourish
As leaves on the tree
And wither and perish
But not changeth Thee

Great Father of glory
Pure Father of light
Thine angels adore Thee
All veiling their sight
All praise we would render
O help us to see
'Tis only the splendour
Of light hideth Thee

God Gives Us His Words Of Eternal Life

Today's Scripture Lesson: "Following Jesus in a Pagan Society: Marriage"

1 Peter 3:1-7

Pastor Mike Ivancic

God Feeds Us His Covenant Meal

Songs For Communion

"Grace So Glorious"

Beneath the cross of Jesus Christ
No shadow remains for shame to hide
Redemption shone for all to see
Perfection bore our penalty
With a grace so glorious

Immortal day, the veil was torn
When mercy donned crown of thorns
As law gave way to liberty and freedom
For humanity with a grace so glorious

And oh the glory of the Saviour's love
Surrounding our surrender
To know forever we are welcomed home

chorus
Crowned in glory to glory
Worthy is the Lord
Of all the glory
Forever
Holy is the Lord
(repeat)

Triumphant praises without end
All hailing the King of righteousness
And ev'ry eye beholds the One our hearts
Were undeserving of
With a grace so glorious

And oh the glory of the Saviour's love
Surrounding our surrender
To know forever we are welcomed home

(repeat chorus)

O wondrous day when I will see
The face of Him who ransomed me
I'll fall in worship at His feet and rise
To reign eternally in a grace so glorious
O, in a grace so glorious

(repeat chorus)

"Cling to Christ"

Father I can come to You
And boast of deeds I've done
In my pride I strive to earn
The favour Christ has won
He alone pleads my acceptance
All my works aside
So I come with empty hands
And I cling to Christ

Father I can go astray
And battle needless fears
Voices tell me I'm condemned
And that I can't draw near
But Your Spirit calls me homeward
With Your words of life
Jesus bore my ev'ry sin
So I cling to Christ

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It's more than I can do
To keep my hold on You
But all my hope and peace
Is that You cling to me

Father all my earthly aims
In time will turn to dust
Let me learn that loss is gain
For those who know Your love
All the treasures of this world
Will never satisfy
You alone are endless joy
So I cling to Christ

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

Great is Thy faithfulness
O God my Father
There is no shadow
Of turning with Thee
Thou changest not
Thy compassions, they fail not
As Thou hast been, Thou forever will be

chorus

Great is Thy faithfulness
Great is Thy faithfulness
Morning by morning new mercies I see
All I have needed
Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me

Summer and winter
And springtime and harvest
Sun, moon and stars
In their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness
Mercy and love

(repeat chorus)

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth
Thine own dear presence
To cheer and to guide
Strength for today
And bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine
With ten thousand beside

(repeat chorus)

Our Confession Of Faith

~ based on 1 Corinthians 15:1-6;
Matthew 16:16; Revelation 22:13;
& John 20:28 ~

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

Unison: This is the Good News which
we have received, in which we stand,
and by which we are saved, if we hold
fast:

... that Christ Jesus died for our sins
according to the Scriptures, that he was
buried, that he was raised on the third
day, and that he appeared to Peter, then
to the Twelve, and then he appeared to
over five hundred witnesses at one time.

... We believe that Jesus is the Christ,
the Son of the living God. He is the first
and the last, the beginning and the end;
He is our Lord and our God. Amen.

God Sends Us Into The World With His Blessing

The Benediction

~ 2 Corinthians 13:13 ~

Leader: “The grace of the Lord Jesus
Christ and the love of God and the
fellowship of the Holy Spirit 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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Announcements

Pastoral Search Update:

Here is an outline of the next steps in the process:

1. Today, there will be an informational debrief meeting immediately following the Service. This will give all of you an opportunity to share impressions and ask any further questions now that you’ve met and heard from both Carl and Sara. The Pastoral Search Team will be invited up front so you may ask any member questions.
2. This Evening, there will be a time of united and concerted prayer for our upcoming Congregational vote. We will be meeting at Catherine Gordon’s (3508 Varal Road NW in Varsity) at 7pm. This is open to everyone at New City and we encourage everyone to come together as we seek God’s will and heart for our future.
3. On Sunday, February 25th we will have a called Congregational Meeting where we will formally vote on calling Carl Santos as the next Lead Pastor of New City. Please note that everyone is invited to the Congregational Meeting but ONLY current members are eligible to vote as per our Denominational By-Laws. Also, we are not allowed to do any proxy voting so ONLY those present will be able to vote.

Ash Wednesday Service: February 14th, 7-8pm

We will mark the beginning of Lent with a special Ash Wednesday service which invites you to reflect upon your own mortality. Through music, confession, and a brief devotional message, we will reflect upon our human condition and the hope of the resurrection in Christ. Optionally, you may participate in “the imposition of ashes,” an ancient biblical symbol of human frailty and repentance. As the minister places ashes on your forehead or hand in the shape of the cross, you will be reminded to remember, “You are from the dust and to dust you shall return, but the steadfast love of the Lord never ceases” (Genesis 3:19; Lamentations 3:22).

“Save the Date” Baby Shower: March 3rd

There will be a Baby Shower for Sarah Hawkes and baby Theodore on March 3rd at 10am at the home of Amy Eng. More details to follow.

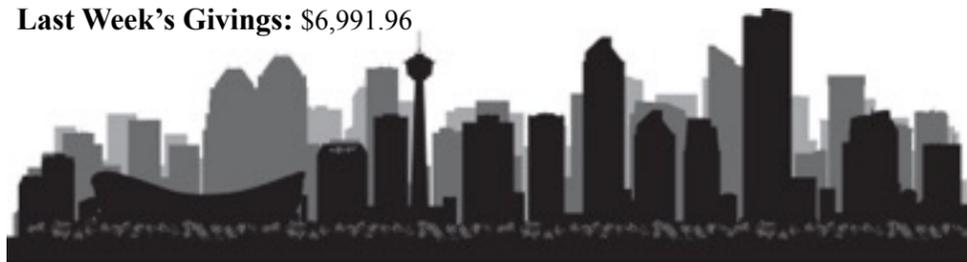
SA Foundation SPRING BLING Fundraiser: March 8th, 7pm

The SA Foundation is having it's annual Ladies Night! The evening will feature a fashion show featuring Global Wonders jewelry (made by women in their recovery program in Nepal), desserts, a raffle and silent auction items. Doors open at 7pm at the Country Hills Golf Club (1334 Country Hills Blvd NW). For more info and to buy tickets search for ‘spring bling’ at www.eventbrite.ca.

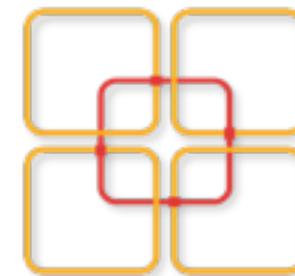
Be Ready Conference: April 6-7th

Faith Beyond Belief is hosting their fifth annual Be Ready conference at Centre Street Church. FBB’s goal is to equip effective ambassadors for Christ for everyday conversations. Guest Speakers include Josh McDowell, Sean McDowell and Scott Klusendorf. For more information please contact Gordon Hawkes or visit www.bereadyalberta.ca. An Early Bird rate is available until the end of February.

Last Week’s Givings: \$6,991.96



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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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