

The Lord's Day Worship Service

February 4, 2018

God Calls Us To Worship

The Call To Worship

~ based on Psalm 86 & 73 ~

Leader: There is none like You, O Lord, nor are there any works like Yours.

Unison: All nations You have made shall come and bow down before You, O Lord, and glorify Your name.

Leader: For You are great and do wondrous things. You alone are God!

Unison: Whom have I in heaven but You? And earth has nothing I desire besides You. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever!

Prayer Of Adoration

Songs Of Praise & Worship

"The Cross Of Christ"

Son of God, son of man
His life poured out for all
See His hands, see His scars
His love can't be denied
Our God is high and lifted up

chorus

It is the cross, my only plea
The blood He shed delivers me
Our Saviour's arms are open wide
A love so great, the cross of Christ

Ev'ry debt, all we owe
He bears it as His own
Brought to life, we are free to live
In Christ alone
Our God is high and lifted up

(repeat chorus)

bridge

See the Lamb of God
See the Father's love

All to Jesus, we owe
He paid it all
(repeat)

(repeat chorus)

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy, never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it
Mount of Thy redeeming love

Here I raise my Ebenezer
Hither by Thy help I'm come
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home

Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wand'ring from the fold of God
He, to rescue me from danger
Interposed His precious blood

O, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let that grace, Lord, like a fetter
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it
Seal it for Thy courts above

God Graciously Renews Us In Christ

Call To Repentance & Renewal

~ based on Isaiah 30 ~

Leader: The Lord God, the Holy One of Israel, spoke through the prophet Isaiah saying, "In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength."

Isaiah pleaded with the people, "Therefore the Lord longs to be gracious to you; He rises to show mercy to you.... He will surely be gracious to you at the sound of your cry. As soon as He hears it, He answers you."

Prayer Of Confession

~ based on Psalm 25 ~

Unison: Remember Your mercy, O Lord, and Your steadfast love, for they have been of old. Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to Your steadfast love remember me for the sake of Your goodness.

~ Silent Confession & Reflection ~

Unison: For Your name's sake, O Lord, pardon my guilt, for it is great. Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted. The troubles of my heart are enlarged; bring me out of my distress. Consider my affliction and trouble and forgive all my sins. Amen.

The Words Of The Gospel

~ Isaiah 53; 1 Peter 1 ~

Leader: Isaiah the prophet spoke about the coming Saviour of the world, Jesus Christ, when he said, "Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His stripes we are healed."

Understand then that you "were ransomed not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ. He suffered for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring us to God.

Song Of Response

"Christ Is Risen"

Let no one caught in sin remain
Inside the lie of inward shame
But fix our eyes upon the cross
And run to Him who showed great love
And bled for us, freely You've bled for us

chorus

Christ is risen from the dead
Trampling over death by death
Come awake, come awake
Come and rise up from the grave

Christ is risen from the dead
We are one with him again
Come awake, come awake
Come and rise up from the grave

Beneath the weight of all our sin
You bow to none but heavens will
No scheme of hell, no scoffer's crown
No burden great can hold you down
In strength you reign
Forever let your church proclaim

(repeat chorus)

bridge

Oh death! Where is your sting
Oh hell! Where is your victory
Oh Church! Come stand in the light
The glory of God has defeated the night

Oh death! Where is your sting
Oh hell! Where is your victory
Oh Church! Come stand in the light
Our God is not dead
He's alive! He's alive

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

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Crown Him with many crowns
The Lamb upon His throne
Hark! How the heavenly
Anthem drowns
All music but its own

Awake, my soul and sing Of Him
Who died for thee
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity

Crown Him the Lord of love
Behold His hands and side
Rich wounds, yet visible above
In beauty glorified
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight
But downward bends His wond'ring eye
At mysteries so bright

Crown Him the Lord of life
Who triumphed o'er the grave
Who rose victorious to the strife
For those He came to save
His glories now we sing
Who died, and rose on high
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die

Crown Him the Lord of heav'n
One with the Father known
One with the Spirit through Him giv'n
From yonder glorious throne
To Thee be endless praise
For Thou for us hast died
Be Thou, O Lord, through endless days
Adored and magnified

God Gives Us His Words Of Eternal Life

Today's Scripture Lesson: "Certainty in the Age of Doubt"

Genesis 15:1-18

Pastor Carl Santos

God Feeds Us His Covenant Meal

Songs For Communion

"Forgiven"

I will sing for You alone
Have rescued this life
Jesus, You have set me free
You alone took away all sin and disgrace
When You gave Your life to ransom me

chorus

I am forgiven at the foot of the cross
I am accepted by the pow'r of Your love
My every stain is washed away
I am forgiven

Here I stand in the light
Of Your glory and grace
Where heaven's love and justice meet
Now I live for the One
Who has called me by name
Who is risen and alive in me

(repeat chorus)

bridge

I'm embraced at the foot of the cross
By the love and the mercies
You have lavished on us
My every stain is washed away
And I am forgiven

(repeat chorus)

"Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting"

Jesus, I am resting, resting
In the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness
Of Thy loving heart
Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee
And Thy beauty fills my soul
For by Thy transforming power
Thou hast made me whole

chorus

Jesus, I am resting, resting
In the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness
Of Thy loving heart

Oh, how great Thy loving kindness
Vaster, broader than the sea
Oh, how marvellous Thy goodness
Lavished all on me
Yes, I rest in Thee, Beloved
Know what wealth of grace is Thine
Know Thy certainty of promise
And have made it mine

(repeat chorus)

Simply trusting Thee, Lord Jesus
I behold Thee as Thou art

And Thy love so pure, so changeless
Satisfies my heart
Satisfies its deepest longings
Meets, supplies its ev'ry need
Compasseth me 'round with blessings
Thine is love indeed

(repeat chorus)

Ever lift Thy face upon me
As I work and wait for Thee
Resting 'neath Thy smile Lord Jesus
Earth's dark shadows flee
Brightness of my Father's glory
Sunshine of my Father's face
Keep me ever trusting resting
Fill me with Thy grace

(repeat chorus)

Our Confession Of Faith

~ Heidelberg Catechism #60 ~

Leader: Christian, how are you made right with God?

Unison: Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments and of never having kept any of them, and even though I am still inclined to all evil, nevertheless, without my deserving it at all, out of sheer grace God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me. All I need to do is to accept this gift of God with a believing heart."

**God Sends Us
Into The World
With His Blessing**

The Benediction

~ Romans 15:13 ~

Leader: "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope."

Unison: Amen!

**Thanks For
Joining Us For
Worship Today**

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

Potluck Sunday: TODAY, following the Worship Service

Please make plans to stay around after the service as we share a meal together. We want to be intentional in seeking to build relationships and our monthly potluck luncheons are a perfect opportunity to do so. There will be a Q and A with our Pastoral Candidate, Carl Santos (and his wife Sara), during the luncheon.

Pastoral Candidate Update & Visit:

As announced, the Pastoral Search Committee has put forth the name of Pastor Carl Santos as a candidate for the Lead Pastor role at New City Church. Carl and his wife Sara are in Calgary this weekend.

In addition to preaching today, Carl and Sara have been in attendance at several events over the weekend in order for you to get to know them a bit better and them you. The only opportunity remaining is a Dessert Night with Carl and Sara tonight from 6:30-8:30pm at the home of Mark & Lana Bottomley - 172 Tuscany Vista Cres. NW. Please RSVP to Lori Blakeley (403-467-9969 or 5blakeleys@gmail.com).

Junior High Youth Event: Friday, February 9th 6:30-8:30pm

Junior High (Grades 6-8) youth are invited to a sledding event at the Blakeleys. Please bring your own sled. Contact the Blakeleys directly for more information (5blakeleys@gmail.com).

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). It has been said, "Only those who accept that they are going to die can begin to look with any hope to the resurrection."

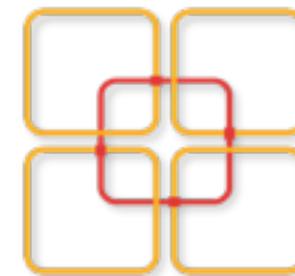
Be Ready Conference: April 6-7th

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 info please contact Gordon Hawkes or visit www.bereadyalberta.ca. An Early Bird rate is available until the end of February.

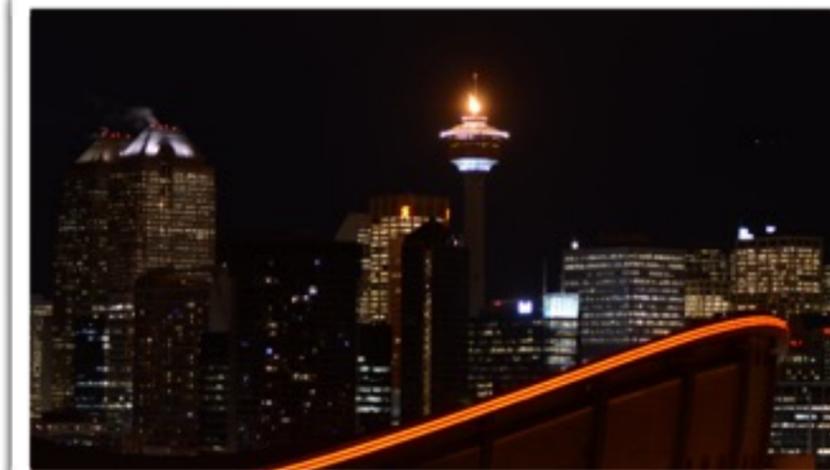
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to all who mourn and long for comfort,
to all who struggle and desire victory,
to all who sin and need a Saviour,
to all who are strangers and want fellowship,
to all who are broken and long for healing,
to all who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
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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