

LIVING STONE WORSHIP

† Second Sunday after the Epiphany †

Sunday, January 18, 2026 at 10:45 a.m.

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Prayer Before Worship

Merciful Father, You have given Your only Son as the sacrifice for our sin. Give us grace to receive the fruits of His redeeming work with thanksgiving and daily follow in His way, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Announcements & Greeting

Call to Worship

Psalm 29

L "I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry."

C "He drew me up from the pit of destruction and set my feet upon a rock."

L "He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God."

C "Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the Lord."

L "You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us."

ALL "I will proclaim and tell of them— they are more than can be told!"

Opening Song

"How Great Is Our God"

Verse 1

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.

Chorus

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

Verse 2

And 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.

Chorus

Bridge (2x)
Name above all names, Worthy of all praise.
My heart will sing: How great is our God!

Chorus (2x)

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Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Confession of Sins and Absolution

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P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against

You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the **†** Son and of the Holy Spirit. *John 20:19–23*

C **Amen.**

Salutation & Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 49:1–7

Listen to Me, O coastlands, and give attention, you peoples from afar. The LORD called Me from the womb, from the body of My mother He named My name. He made My mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of His hand He hid Me; He made Me a polished arrow; in His quiver He hid Me away. And He said to Me, “You are My servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.”

But I said, “I have labored in vain; I have spent My strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely My right is with the LORD, and My recompense with My God.” And now the LORD says, He who formed Me from the womb to be His servant, to bring Jacob back to Him; and that Israel might be gathered to Him—for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD, and My God has become My strength—He says:

“It is too light a thing that You should be My servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to bring back the preserved of Israel; I will make You as a light for the nations, that My salvation may reach to the end of the earth.” Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and His Holy One, to One deeply despised, abhorred by the nation, the Servant of rulers:

“Kings shall see and arise; princes, and they shall prostrate themselves; because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen You.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 1:1–9

Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, that in every way you were enriched in Him in all speech and all knowledge—even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

John 1:29-42

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is He of whom I said, ‘After me comes a Man who ranks before me, because He was before me.’ I myself did not know Him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that He might be revealed to Israel.” And John bore witness: “I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on Him. I myself did not know Him, but He who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is He who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God.”

The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, and he looked at Jesus as He walked by and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, “What are you seeking?” And they said to Him, “Rabbi” (which means Teacher), “where are You staying?” He said to them, “Come and you will see.” So they came and saw where He was staying, and they stayed with Him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which means Christ). He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, “So you are Simon the son of John? You shall be called Cephas” (which means Peter).

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Song of the Day

“The Lord’s Prayer (It’s Yours)”

Verse

**Father, let your kingdom come.
Father, let your will be done
On Earth as in Heaven,
Right here in my heart. (repeat)**

Chorus

**Give us this day our daily bread.
Forgive us, forgive us
As we forgive the ones who sinned
Against us; forgive them.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from the evil one.
Let your kingdom come.**

Verse

Chorus

Bridge

**It's yours, it's yours, all yours, all yours.
The kingdom, the power, the glory are yours.
It's yours, it's yours, all yours, all yours.
Forever and ever the kingdom is yours. (repeat)**

Verse

On Earth as in Heaven, right here in my heart.

Sermon

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Song of Response

- 1 You are good, You are good,
When there's nothing good in me.
You are love, You are love,
On display for all to see.
You are light, You are light,
When the darkness closes in.
You are hope, You are hope,
You have covered all my sin.
- 2 You are peace, You are peace,
When my fear is crippling.
You are true, You are true,
Even in my wandering.
You are joy, You are joy,
You're the reason that I sing.
You are life, You are life,
In You death has lost its sting.

“Forever Reign”

Chorus

Oh, I'm running to Your arms,
I'm running to Your arms.
The riches of Your love will always be enough.
Nothing compares to Your embrace.
Light of the world, forever reign.

- 3 You are more, You are more,
Than my words will ever say.
You are Lord, You are Lord,
All creation will proclaim.
You are here, You are here,
In Your presence I'm made whole.
You are God, You are God,
Of all else I'm letting go.

Chorus

Bridge

**My heart will sing, no other Name.
Jesus, Jesus. (3x)**

Chorus (2x)

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Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the **†** life everlasting. Amen.

Children's Message

Offering

The offertory is an important time to reflect with thanksgiving on the many blessings God has given us.

Offertory

“The Heart of Worship”

- 1 When the music fades, all is stripped away,
And I simply come;
Longing just to bring something that's of worth
That will bless Your heart.

Pre-Chorus

I'll bring You more than a song,
For a song in itself
is not what You have required.
You search much deeper within
Through the way things appear;
You're looking into my heart.

Chorus

I'm coming back to the heart of worship,
And it's all about You, all about You, Jesus.
I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it,
When it's all about You, all about You, Jesus.

- 2 King of endless worth, no one could express
How much You deserve.
Though I'm weak and poor, all I have is Yours,
Ev'ry single breath.

Pre-Chorus/Chorus

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Prayer of the Church

- † Thanksgiving for the birth of Charli Louise Hill, daughter of Chris and Kristina Hill, granddaughter of John & Karen Piedimonte (Jan. 10).
- † Thanksgiving for the 35th wedding anniversary for Mike and Laura McDaniel (Jan. 19).
- † Thanksgiving for the 60th wedding anniversary for Jim and Erika Capes (Jan. 20).
- † All who mourn the death of Wyatt Frazer, husband of Darlene Frazer-Pate.
- † David Mertz upcoming surgery.
- † Marilyn Johnson who is hospitalized.

The Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9–13

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **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.**

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

Numbers 6:24–26

C Amen.

Closing Song

“Your Grace Is Enough”

1 **Great is Your faithfulness, O God;
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart.
You lead us by still waters into mercy
And nothing can keep us apart.**

Pre-Chorus
**So remember Your people,
Remember Your children,
Remember Your promise O God.**

Chorus
**Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough, for me.**

2 **Great is Your love and justice, God of Jacob;
You use the weak to lead the strong.
You lead us in the song of Your salvation,
And all Your people sing along.**

Pre-Chorus/Chorus (2x)
Pre-Chorus/Chorus
Chorus 2
**Yeah, Your grace is enough;
Heaven reaches out to us.
Your grace is enough for me.
God, I sing: Your grace is enough;
I'm covered in Your love.
Your grace is enough for me, for me.**

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