

LIVING STONE WORSHIP

✠ Tenth Sunday after Pentecost ✠

Sunday, August 2, 2026 at 10:45 a.m.

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Prayer Before Worship

O God, You make Your power known by showing mercy. Grant us Your grace always to enjoy Your heavenly Treasure, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Announcements & Greeting

Opening Song

“Way Maker ”

Verse 1

You are here, moving in our midst;
I worship You, I worship You.
You are here, working in this place;
I worship You, I worship You.

Chorus

Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,
Light in the darkness, my God, that is who You are.
(repeat)

Verse 2

You are here, touching ev'ry heart;
I worship You, I worship You.
You are here, healing ev'ry heart;
I worship You, I worship You;

Verse 3

You are here, turning lives around;
I worship You, I worship You.
You are here, mending ev'ry heart;
I worship You, I worship You. Oh.

Chorus

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That is who You are. That is who You are.
That is who You are. That is who You are.

Bridge

Even when I don't see it, You're working.
Even when I don't feel it, You're working.
You never stop, You never stop working.
You never stop, You never stop working. (repeat)

Chorus

Tag

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Invocation

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

C Amen.

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray.
Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; 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 55:1–5

“Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Listen diligently to Me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to Me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, My steadfast, sure love for David. Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for He has glorified you.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading

Romans 9:1–5

Thus says the LORD: “Keep justice, and do righteousness, for soon My salvation will come, and My deliverance be revealed. . . .

“And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to Him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be His servants, everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it, and holds fast My covenant— these I will bring to My holy mountain, and make them joyful in My house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on My altar; for My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.” The Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares, “I will gather yet others to Him besides those already gathered.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:13–21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

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

Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John], He withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by Himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed Him on foot from the towns. When He went ashore He saw a great crowd, and He had compassion on them and healed their sick. Now when it was evening, the disciples came to Him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” But Jesus said, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” They said to Him, “We have only five loaves here and two fish.” And He said, “Bring them here to Me.” Then He ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, He looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then He broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Responsive Psalm

Psalms 136:1–16, 23–26

P Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good,

C **for His steadfast love endures forever.**

P Give thanks to the God of gods,

C **for His steadfast love endures forever.**

P Give thanks to the Lord of lords,

C **for His steadfast love endures forever;**

P to Him who alone does great wonders,

C **for His steadfast love endures forever;**

P to Him who by understanding made the heavens,
C for His steadfast love endures forever;

P to Him who spread out the earth above the waters,
C for His steadfast love endures forever;

P to Him who made the great lights,
C for His steadfast love endures forever;

P the sun to rule over the day,
C for His steadfast love endures forever;

P the moon and stars to rule over the night,
C for His steadfast love endures forever;

P to Him who struck down the firstborn of Egypt,
C for His steadfast love endures forever;

P and brought Israel out from among them,
C for His steadfast love endures forever;

P with a strong hand and an outstretched arm,
C for His steadfast love endures forever;

P to Him who divided the Red Sea in two,
C for His steadfast love endures forever;

P and made Israel pass through the midst of it,
C for His steadfast love endures forever;

P but overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red Sea,
C for His steadfast love endures forever;

P to Him who led His people through the wilderness,
C for His steadfast love endures forever;

P It is He who remembered us in our low estate,
C for His steadfast love endures forever;

P and rescued us from our foes,
C for His steadfast love endures forever;

P He who gives food to all flesh,
C for His steadfast love endures forever.

P Give thanks to the God of heaven,
C for His steadfast love endures forever.

All Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

Song of the Day

“Forever”

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord Our God and King;
His love endures forever.
For He is good, He is above all things;
His love endures forever.
Sing praise, sing praise.
- 2 With a mighty hand And an outstretched arm;
His love endures forever.
For the life that's been reborn;
His love endures forever.
Sing praise, sing praise.
Sing praise, sing praise.

Chorus

Forever God is faithful, Forever God is strong,
Forever God is with us, forever, forever.

- 3 From the rising to the setting sun
His love endures forever.
And by the grace of God
We will carry on;
His love endures forever.
Sing praise, sing praise.
Sing praise, sing praise.

Chorus

Sermon

“God Does Exceedingly More” Psalm 136:1–16, 23–26

Song of Response

“One Thing Remains”

Verse 1

Higher than the mountains that I face.
Stronger than the power of the grave.
Constant in the trial and the change.
One thing remains, one thing remains.

Chorus

Your love never fails, it never gives up,
never runs out on me.
Your love never fails, it never gives up,
never runs out on me.
Your love never fails, it never gives up,
never runs out on me. Your love.

Verse 2

On and on and on and on it goes.
It overwhelms and satisfies my soul.
And I never, ever have to be afraid.
One thing remains, one thing remains.

Chorus

Bridge

In death, in life, I'm confident and
cover'd by the power of Your great love.
My debt is paid; there's nothing that
can separate my heart from Your great love.
(REPEAT)

Chorus (2x)

Verse 1

Higher than the mountains that I face.
Stronger than the power of the grave.
Constant in the trial and the change.
One thing remains, one thing remains.

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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.

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

Children's Message

Offering

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

Offertory

“Gratitude”

Verse 1

**All my words fall short; I got nothing new.
How could I express all my gratitude?**

Verse 2

**I could sing these songs, as I often do,
But every song must end and You never do.**

Chorus

**So I throw up my hands
and praise You again and again,
‘Cause all that I have is a hallelujah, hallelujah.
And I know it’s not much,
But I’ve nothing else fit for a king
Except for a heart singing, “Hallelujah, Hallelujah.”**

Verse 3

**I’ve got one response, I’ve got just one move:
With my arms stretched wide I will worship You.**

Chorus

Bridge

**Come on, my soul, Oh, don’t you get shy on me.
Lift up your song,
‘Cause you’ve got a lion inside of those lungs.
Get up and praise the Lord. (repeat 3x)**

Chorus

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Prayer of the Church

- ✠ Thanksgiving for the 40th wedding anniversary of John and Linda Jackson and for God’s blessings of family and friends. (Aug. 1).
- ✠ Thanksgiving for the 57th wedding anniversary of Bill and Diane Vangel (Aug. 2).
- ✠ Thanksgiving for the 25th wedding anniversary of Christopher and Maura Johann (Aug. 4).
- ✠ Thanksgiving for the 4th wedding anniversary of Jim and Lynn Linden (Aug. 5).
- ✠ All who mourn the death of Robert Thiemann, father of Lynn Tegtmeyer.

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.
- C **Amen.**

Numbers 6:24–26

Closing Song

“This Is Amazing Grace”

Verse 1

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.

Verse 2

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 laid down Your life
That I would be set free.
Oh, Jesus, I sing for all that You’ve done for me.

Verse 3

Who brings our chaos back into order,
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter?
The King of Glory, the King of Glory.

Verse 4

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.

Chorus

Bridge

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave!
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave!
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave!
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!
Worthy, worthy, worthy!

Chorus

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We rejoice in the following Baptism in the Sanctuary this weekend!

✝ Holly Mae Holtshouser ✝
✝ Claire Jean Holtshouser ✝

Daughters of Michael and Suzanne Holtshouser

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Instrumentalists

Sound
Video

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Pastor Wade
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Darren Meyer, percussion
Mara Yaeger, piano
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