

LIVING STONE WORSHIP
† Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost †
Sunday, October 19, 2025 at 10:45 a.m.

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Prayer Before Worship

Lord, give us grace to be persistent in our prayers for vindication from our enemies and to be given continuously to good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Announcements & Greeting

Call to Worship

Psalm 121

L I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?

C **My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

L The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade on your right hand.

C **The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.**

ALL **The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.**
Hosanna in the highest—our help comes from the Lord!

Opening Song

“Hosanna”

Verse 1

**I see the King of glory
Coming on the clouds with fire.
The whole earth shakes,
The whole earth shakes, yeah.**

Verse 2

**I see His love and mercy
Washing over all our sin.
The people sing, the people sing**

Chorus

**Hosanna, hosanna. Hosanna in the highest,
Hosanna, hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.**

Verse 3

**I see a generation rising up to take their place
With selfless faith, with selfless faith.**

Verse 4

**I see a near revival stirring as we pray and seek.
We're on our knees, We're on our knees.**

Chorus

Bridge

**Heal my heart and make it clean,
Open up my eyes to the things unseen.
Show me how to love like You have loved me.
Break my heart for what breaks Yours,
Everything I am, for Your Kingdom's cause.
As I walk from earth into eternity.**

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

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.
O Lord, almighty and everlasting God, You have commanded us to pray and have promised to hear us. Mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may direct and govern our hearts in all things that we may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of Your name; 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

Genesis 32:22–30

The same night [Jacob] arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day has broken." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then he said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered."

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading

2 Timothy 3:14–4:5

As for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.

I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by His appearing and His kingdom: preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

Luke 18:1–8

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighteenth chapter.

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

[Jesus] told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Give me justice against my adversary.’ For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, ‘Though I neither fear God nor respect man, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.’” And the Lord said, “Hear what the unrighteous judge says. And will not God give justice to His elect, who cry to Him day and night? Will He delay long over them? I tell you, He will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on earth?”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Song of the Day

“Battle Belongs”

Verse 1

When all I see is the battle, You see my victory.
When all I see is a mountain,
You see a mountain moved.
And as I walk through the shadow,
Your love surrounds me.
There's nothing to fear now,
For I am safe with You.

Chorus

So when I fight, I'll fight on my knees
With my hands lifted high,
O God, the battle belongs to You.
And every fear I lay at Your feet,
I'll sing through the night,
O God, the battle belongs to You.

Verse 2

And if You are for me who can be against me?
For, Jesus, there's nothing impossible for You.
When all I see are the ashes, You see the beauty.
When all I see is a cross,
God, You see the empty tomb.

Chorus

Bridge

An Almighty Fortress, You go before us.
Nothing can stand against the power of our God.
You shine in the shadows, You win every battle.
Nothing can stand against the power of our God.
(3x)

Chorus

O God, the battle belongs to You.

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Sermon

“Endure: Times of Wrestling”

Song of Response

“Who You Say I Am”

- 1 **Who am I that the highest King
would welcome me.
I was lost, but He brought me in.
Oh, His love for me. Oh, His love for me.**

Chorus 1

**Who the Son sets free, Oh, is free indeed.
I'm a child of God. Yes, I am.**

- 2 **Free at last, He has ransomed me.
His grace runs deep.
While I was a slave to sin,
Jesus died for me. Yes, He died for me.**

Chorus 2

**Who the Son sets free, Oh, is free indeed.
I'm a child of God. Yes, I am.
In my Father's house there's a place for me.
I'm a child of God. Yes, I am.**

Bridge

**I am chosen, not forsaken.
I am who You say I am.
You are for me, not against me.
I am who You say I am. (Repeat)
I am who You say I am.**

Chorus 2

**In my Father's house there's a place for me.
I'm a child of God. Yes, I am.**

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

Offertory Song

"See A Victory"

Verse 1

The weapon may be formed, but it won't prosper.
When the darkness falls, it won't prevail.
'Cause the God I serve knows only how to triumph.
My God will never fail.
My God will never fail.

Verse 2

There's power in the mighty Name of Jesus.
Ev'ry war He wages He will win.
I'm not backing down from any giant.
I know how this story ends.
I know how this story ends.

Chorus

I'm gonna see a victory,
I'm gonna see a victory.
For the battle belongs to You, Lord.
I'm gonna see a victory,
I'm gonna see a victory.
For the battle belongs to You, Lord.

Chorus

Bridge

You take what the enemy meant for evil,
And You turn it for good,
You turn it for good. (3x)

Chorus 2x

Bridge 2x

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Prayer of the Church

- ☩ All who mourn the death of Jean Unrath.
- ☩ All who mourn the death of Dennis Dobbs, father of Danielle Smalley, grandfather of Addie and Berkley Smalley
- ☩ Thanksgiving for the 37th wedding anniversary of Rob & Marsha Lewis (Oct. 15).
- ☩ Thanksgiving for the 32nd wedding anniversary of Scott and LoisJoy Ward (Oct. 16).
- ☩ Thanksgiving for the 4th wedding anniversary of Matt and Caroline Kilwin (Oct. 16).
- ☩ Thanksgiving for the 26th wedding anniversary of Gregg and Margaret Smith (Oct. 16).
- ☩ Thanksgiving for the 15th wedding anniversary of David and Amy Striker (Oct. 23).
- ☩ Lutheran North High School Cross Country Team involved in a serious vehicle accident.

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

“Good Grace”

Verse 1

**People come together,
Strange as neighbours, our blood is one.
Children of generations,
Of every nation, of Kingdom come.**

Verse 2

**Jesus, our redemption,
Our salvation is in His blood.
Jesus, Light of heaven,
Friend forever, His Kingdom come.**

Chorus

**Don't let your heart be troubled;
Hold your head up high. Don't fear no evil;
Fix your eyes on this one truth:
God is madly in love with you.
Take courage, hold on, be strong,
Remember where our help comes from.**

Chorus

Bridge

**Swing wide all you heavens,
Let the praise go up as the walls come down.
All creation, everything with breath
repeat the sound.
All His children, clean hands, pure hearts
Good grace, good God. His Name is Jesus. (3x)**

Verse 2

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Ben Rudzinski, percussion

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