



## Fear Swept Away by Christ-Rich Prayer

Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.

Hebrews 2:14-15

The one true goal or resting-place where doubt and weariness, the stings of a pricking conscience, and the longings of an unsatisfied soul would all be quieted, is Christ Him- self. Not the church, but Christ. Not doctrine, but Christ. Not forms, but Christ. Not ceremonies, but Christ: Christ the God-man, giving His life for ours, sealing the everlasting covenant, and making peace for us through the blood of His cross; Christ the divine storehouse of all light and truth, "In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge" (Col 2:3); Christ the infinite vessel, filled with the Holy Spirit, the Enlightener, the Teacher, the Quickener, the Comforter, so that "of his fullness have all we received, and grace for grace" (Joh 1:16). This, this alone, is the vexed soul's refuge, its rock to build on, its home to abide in—till the great tempter be bound and every conflict ended in victory.

Horatius Bonar "Words to Winners of Souls"

## order of worship

## prelude

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

## call to worship | based on Psalm 118

Leader: Praise Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter, and give thanks to the LORD.

**People: We will give You thanks, for You have answered us; You have become our salvation.**

Leader: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the LORD's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

**People: This is the day that the LORD has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

## songs of praise

### Better is one day in Your courts

How lovely is Your dwelling place  
O Lord almighty  
For my soul longs and even faints for You  
For here my heart is satisfied  
Within Your presence  
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings

Better is one day in Your courts  
Better is one day in Your house  
Better is one day in Your courts  
Than thousands elsewhere  
(Than thousands elsewhere)

One thing I ask and I would seek  
To see Your beauty  
To find You in the place  
Your glory dwells  
(REPEAT)

My heart and flesh cry out  
For You the living God  
Your Spirit's water to my soul  
I've tasted and I've seen  
Come once again to me  
I will draw near to You  
I will draw near to You to You

### Your Name

As morning dawns and evening fades  
You inspire songs of praise  
That rise from earth to touch Your heart  
And glorify Your Name

Your Name is a strong and mighty tower  
Your Name is a shelter like no other  
Your Name let the nations sing it louder  
'Cause nothing has the power to save  
But Your Name

Jesus in Your Name we pray  
Come and fill our hearts today  
Lord give us strength to live for You  
And glorify Your Name

## prayer of adoration & welcome

## prayer for the world, the church & the city

## confession

O King of Glory, we confess that our praise of Your Majesty has often been faint. We have surrendered to the enemy by our secret and our known sins. For our treason You died, Lord Jesus. For our restoration, You rose again. Draw us closer to You, that our hearts may perceive the wonder of Your grace. By the Holy Spirit's continuing discipline, let us be loyal and loving servants of the King. Praise be to You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Amen.

## private confession

### assurance of pardon | Isaiah 53:5

But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.

## song of assurance

### Man of Sorrows

Man of sorrows what a name  
For the Son of God who came  
Ruined sinners to reclaim  
Hallelujah what a Savior

Bearing shame and scoffing rude  
In my place condemned He stood  
Sealed my pardon with His blood  
Hallelujah what a Savior

Lifted up was He to die  
It is finished was His cry  
Now in heaven exalted high  
Hallelujah what a Savior

When He comes our glorious King  
All His ransomed home to bring  
Then anew this song we'll sing  
Hallelujah what a Savior

## tithes and offerings

### doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## scripture reading Zechariah 12:10-13:2, Matthew 21:1-11, Hebrews 2:14-15

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God**

God's Word Today | John Smed

sermon: Fear Swept Away by Christ Laden Prayer

song of thanksgiving

**How Deep the Father's Love for us**

How deep the Father's love for us  
How vast beyond all measure  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure  
How great the pain of searing loss  
The Father turns His face away  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One  
Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross  
My sin upon His shoulders  
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers  
It was my sin that held Him there  
Until it was accomplished  
His dying breath has brought me life  
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything  
No gifts no pow'r no wisdom  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ  
His death and resurrection  
Why should I gain from His reward  
I cannot give an answer  
But this I know with all my heart  
His wounds have paid my ransom

**benediction** | Hebrews 13:20 -21.

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

**peace**

Minister: The Peace of the Lord be with you all

**People: And also with you**

Tithes up to April 5 2020	
Yearly Budget	\$355,000
Budget Year to Date	\$88,749
Actual Giving Year to Date	\$78,496
Actual Giving Last Week	\$7,705

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*Upward*

'A worshipping people' - Upward

**Worship:** we come together corporately to exalt the Lord Jesus Christ

**The Word:** we submit ourselves to the Bible as our rule for faith and life

**Generosity:** having received from divine generosity, we overflow with generosity to the world



*Inward*

'transformed by the peace of God in Christ,' - Inward

**Sacramental Life:** our participation in the sacraments of bread and wine flow into our everyday lives

**The Holy Spirit:** living by the Spirit, we use His gifts to build the church and bless Vancouver

**Prayerful Presence:** we intercede for our homes, neighbourhoods and networks, for God to do His work



*Outward*

'seeking to be faithful stewards of the Kingdom.' - Outward

**Covenantal Commitments:** we covenant with one another to uphold, support and love one another.

**Priestly Work:** we see all of life as calling (as "vocatio")

**Proclamation:** we proclaim the Cross of Christ as the accomplishment of God's Kingdom for the world