

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

JULY 11, 2021

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THE GATHERING

The Welcome

***Immortal, Invisible**

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious-- Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life Thou givest-- to both great and small,
In all life Thou livest-- the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish-- but naught changeth Thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render-- O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

TEXT: Walter Chalmers Smith; based on 1 Timothy 1:17 MUSIC: Traditional Welsh Hymn melody
from John Roberts' Canaidau y Cyssegr, 1839

***The Prayer of Invocation**

***The Responsive Call to Worship: Psalm 135:1-5**

Leader: Praise the LORD!

All: Praise the name of the LORD!

Leader: Give praise, O servants of the LORD, who stand in the house of the LORD, in the courts of the house of our God!

All: Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good; sing to his name, for it is pleasant!

Leader: For the LORD has chosen Jacob for himself, Israel as his own possession.

All: For I know that the LORD is great, and that our Lord is above all gods.

*The Lion and the Lamb

He's coming on the clouds,
And kings and kingdoms will bow down
Every chain will break as broken hearts declare His praise
For who can stop the Lord Almighty?

(chorus)

Our God is the lion - the lion of Judah
He's roaring in power and fighting our battles
And every knee will bow before Him
Our God is a lamb - the lamb that was slain
For the sins of the world; His blood breaks the chains
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb
Every knee will bow before Him

Open up the gates, make way before the King of kings
The God who comes to save is here to set the captives free
For who can stop the Lord Almighty?

(repeat chorus)

Who can stop the Lord Almighty
Who can stop the Lord Almighty
Who can stop the Lord Almighty
Who can stop the Lord

(repeat chorus)

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The Prayers of Confession

God, Be Merciful to Me

God, be merciful to me, on Thy grace I rest my plea;
Plenteous in compassion Thou, blot out my transgressions now;
Wash me, make me pure within, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

My transgressions I confess, grief and guilt my soul oppress;
I have sinned against Thy grace and provoked Thee to Thy face;
I confess Thy judgment just, speechless, I Thy mercy trust.

Private Confession

Gracious God, my heart renew, make my spirit right and true;
Cast me not away from Thee, let Thy Spirit dwell in me;
Thy salvation's joy impart, steadfast make my willing heart.

Sinners then shall learn from me and return, O God to Thee;
Savior all my guilt remove, and my tongue shall sing Thy love;
Touch my silent lips, O Lord, and my mouth shall praise accord.

Words by Richard Redhead Music by Chris Miner ©Chris Miner Music.UBP.ARR.CCLI#245668

*The Scripture Reading from Luke 10:25-37

*How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

How sweet the Name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear!
It soothes his sorrow, heals his wounds, and drives away his fear.
It makes the wounded spirit whole, and calms the troubled breast;
'Tis manna to the hungry soul, and to the weary, rest.
Dear Name, the rock on which I build, my shield and hiding place,
My never failing treasury, filled with boundless stores of grace!
Jesus, my Shepherd, Brother, Friend, my Prophet, Priest, and King,
My Lord, my life, my way, my end, accept the praise I bring.

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*You Crown the Year

(verse 1)
You crown the year with Your goodness
You answer us with awesome deeds
Your hope resounds, God our Savior
To distant lands and farthest seas

You still the waves with Your presence
You bless Your harvest with Your rain
Your river filled with living water
That flows to all as You ordain

(chorus)
Praise the name of the Lord
O my soul sing His worth
All of life join the song
Come and lift up our King

Now let the earth join His praises
Who dwells between the sea and sky?
The dusk and dawn forever answer
The call to worship God on high

(repeat chorus 2x)

(repeat vs. 1)

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The Dedication of Our Tithes and Offerings

Tithes and offerings can be placed in the boxes by the sanctuary doors, by mailing checks to Grace EPC, Attn: Bob Woods, 3312 Calvin Drive, Lawrence KS 66049 or give online - go to www.gepc.org, click on "Give," and follow the prompts. Contact Bob Woods (bob@gepc.org or 785-843-2005) for further assistance.

(11:00 AM SERVICE: BIRTH – 5TH GRADE CHILDREN ARE DISMISSED FOR THEIR CLASS AT THIS TIME)

THE WORD

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Scripture: Luke 10:25-37

²⁵ And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶ He said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read it?" ²⁷ And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸ And he said to him, "You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live."

²⁹ But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰ Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. ³⁴ He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵ And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" ³⁷ He said, "The one who showed him mercy." And Jesus said to him, "You go, and do likewise."

**All: The grass withers and the flower falls,
but the word of the Lord remains forever.**

The Message from Scripture

The Prayers of the People

THE ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF DEACONS (8:30 am)

The Statement of Purpose

The Vows

Laying on of Hands

Legal Pronouncement of Ordination

THE SENDING

*The Benediction

*The Solid Rock

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand, all other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace;
In ev'ry high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand, all other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, His covenant, His blood support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand, all other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found,
Dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand, all other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand, all other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

TEXT: Edward Mote MUSIC: William B. Bradbury

After Service Prayer

It is our sincere desire to pray effectively for the particular needs of those worshipping with us this morning. If you have a prayer concern that you want shared with the congregation during the prayers of the people, please call the church office or one of the elders prior to the service with your request. If you desire prayer on a personal matter, we invite you to meet with the elders in the front pews after the Benediction.

Available for prayer after 8:30 worship:

Warran Wiebe

Available for prayer after 11:00 worship: Caleb Stegall & Darby Ritter

*Congregation will stand.

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Elders are available to pray and assist you at elders@gepc.org,
or contact Ryan Randolph (randolph@gepc.org) with any other needs you may have.