

Sermon Notes

Series: 1 Peter: A Living Hope
Live Like the End is Near
1 Peter 4:7-11

Order of Worship

*Please Stand
All Songs CCLI # 1399831

Prelude (*Preparing Our Hearts for Worship*)

Welcome and Call to Worship*

Psalm 117

Hymn of Praise*

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning my song shall rise to Thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea.
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee.
Which were and art and ever more shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see.
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee;
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth, and sky, and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

Prayer of Adoration Confession*

Words of Assurance*

Psalm 32:1-5

Songs of Praise*

Before The Throne Of God Above

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea;
A great High Priest whose name is love, who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart.
I know that while in heav'n He stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of my guilt within.
Upward I look and see Him there, who made an end of all my sin,
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free;
For God, the Just, is satisfied, to look on Him and pardon me,
To look on Him and pardon me.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah! Praise the One Risen Son of God. (2x)



Behold Him there the risen Lamb, my perfect spotless Righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM, the King of Glory and of Grace!
One with Himself I cannot die, my soul is purchased by His blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God!
With Christ my Savior and my God!
Hallelujah, Hallelujah! Praise the One Risen Son of God. (3x)

Grace Like Rain

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see so clearly

Chorus *Hallelujah, grace like rain falls down on me
Hallelujah, and all my stains are washed away
(They're washed away...)*

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear, the hour I first believed *(chorus 2x)*

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we first begun. *(chorus 2x)*

Sacrament of Baptism

(Children PreK-2nd grade may exit for Ambassador Kids afterwards)

What We Believe*

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,† the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

* *Meaning that Christ took upon himself the full wrath of God for our sins on the cross.*

† *Meaning the "universal" church made up of all true believers in Jesus Christ.*

Offering Our Gifts to God*

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Come behold the wondrous mystery in the dawning of the King
He the theme of heaven's praises robed in frail humanity
In our longing, in our darkness now the light of life has come
Look to Christ, who condescended took on flesh to ransom us

Come behold the wondrous mystery He the perfect Son of Man
In His living, in His suffering never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam come to save the hell-bound man
Christ the great and sure fulfilment of the law in Him we stand



Come behold the wondrous mystery Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption see the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory grace unmeasured, love untold

Come behold the wondrous mystery slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain Him. Praise the Lord; He is alive!
What a foretaste of deliverance how unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected as we will be when He comes!

Pastoral Prayer

Message from God's Word

1 Peter 4:7-11

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Song of Response*

Father, Long Before Creation

Father, long before creation Thou hadst chosen us in love,
And that love so deep, so moving, draws us close to Christ above.
Still it keeps us, still it keeps us, firmly fixed in Christ alone.

Chorus *And the world will sing His love, Yes, the world will sing His love,
And we'll all join hands, every woman, every man
To sing His love, to sing His love.*

Though the world may change its fashion, Yet our God is e'er the same;
His compassion and His covenant through all ages will remain.
God's own children, God's own children, must forever praise His name. *(chorus)*

God's compassion is my story, is my boasting all the day;
Mercy free and never failing moves my will, directs my way.
God so loved us, God so loved us, that His only Son He gave. *(chorus)*

Loving Father now before Thee we will ever praise Thy love,
And our songs will sound unceasing 'til we reach our home above,
Giving glory, giving glory, to our God and to the Lamb. *(chorus)*

Benediction*

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