

Soli Deo Gloria

To God Alone be the Glory



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Call to Worship

Psalm 66:1-4

Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

Sing the glory of his name; Give to him glorious praise!

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!

So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.

**All the earth worships you and sings praises to you;
they sing praises to your name."**

Hymns of Praise

COME THOU FOUNT (*Hymn #98*)

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace.

Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above;

Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it. Mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer; Hither by Thy help I'm come.

And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger; Wandering from the fold of God;

He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be!

Let Thy grace, Lord, like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee;

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;

Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts above.

THERE IS A FOUNTAIN (*Hymn #224*)

There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Immanuel's veins;

And sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains;

Lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains;

And sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains;

The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day;

And there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away;

Wash all my sins away, wash all my sins away;

And there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood shall never lose its power

Till all the ransomed church of God be saved, to sin no more;

Be saved, to sin no more, be saved, to sin, no more;

Till all the ransomed church of God be saved, to sin no more.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream Thy flowing wounds supply,

Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die;

And shall be till I die, and shall be till I die;

Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die.

Scripture Reading

Galatians 5:16-26

¹⁶ But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. ¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. ²⁴ And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit. ²⁶ Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

Prayer of Confession

Hymn of Response

Yet Not I, but through Christ in Me (CityAlight)

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer.
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to His
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing, "All is mine"
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side, the Saviour He will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need, His power is displayed
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley He will lead
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven
The future sure, the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released, I can sing, "I am free"
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For He has said that He will bring me home
And day by day I know He will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to Him
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

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Scripture Readings

ISAIAH 35:1-10

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad;
the desert shall rejoice and blossom like the crocus;
² it shall blossom abundantly
and rejoice with joy and singing.
The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it,
the majesty of Carmel and Sharon.
They shall see the glory of the LORD,
the majesty of our God.
³ Strengthen the weak hands,
and make firm the feeble knees.
⁴ Say to those who have an anxious heart,
“Be strong; fear not!
Behold, your God
will come with vengeance,
with the recompense of God.
He will come and save you.”
⁵ Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
⁶ then shall the lame man leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.
For waters break forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;
⁷ the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water;
in the haunt of jackals, where they lie down,
the grass shall become reeds and rushes.
⁸ And a highway shall be there,
and it shall be called the Way of Holiness;
the unclean shall not pass over it.
It shall belong to those who walk on the way;
even if they are fools, they shall not go astray.^[a]
⁹ No lion shall be there,

nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it;
they shall not be found there,
but the redeemed shall walk there.
¹⁰ And the ransomed of the LORD shall return
and come to Zion with singing;
everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;
they shall obtain gladness and joy,
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

HEBREWS 12:1-14

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ² looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

³ Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted. ⁴ In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. ⁵ And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons?

“My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord,
nor be weary when reprov'd by him.

⁶ For the Lord disciplines the one he loves,
and chastises every son whom he receives.”

⁷ It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? ⁸ If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. ⁹ Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? ¹⁰ For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. ¹¹ For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

¹² Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, ¹³ and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed. ¹⁴ Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord.

Sermon

“Our Struggle & Striving in this World”

I. OUR STRUGGLE IN THIS WORLD

A. The World Hates Christ (Heb. 12:1-4)

B. Therefore, His Followers are... (Heb. 11:35-38)

- Sometimes S_____ & M_____
- Sometimes T_____ & K_____

II. OUR SOURCE OF JOY IN THIS WORLD

A. In the Work of the Son (Heb. 12:1-4)

- Who S_____ on Earth & was S_____ in Heaven...
- ...for our S_____ and Eternal J_____

B. In the Love of the Father (Heb. 12:5-11)

- Who R_____ us as His S_____...
- ...and D_____ us for our G_____

C. In the Fruit of the Spirit (Heb. 12:10-11)

- Who T_____ us in H_____...
- ...and brings forth P_____ & R_____

III. OUR STRIVING IN THIS WORLD (Heb. 12:12-14)

A. Striving with S_____ and without F_____! (Is. 35)

B. Striving for P_____ and H_____

Hymn of Response

HE WILL HOLD ME FAST (*Matt Merker*)

1. When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold...Through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold. He must hold me fast

CHORUS:

He will hold me fast. He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so. He will hold me fast

2. Those He saves are His delight; Christ will hold me fast
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast
He'll not let my soul be lost. His promises shall last
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast
3. For my life He bled and died; Christ will hold me fast
Justice has been satisfied. He will hold me fast
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight, When he comes at last

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Confession of Faith

Laura Nikas

Doxology & Dedication of Tithes & Offerings

Special Music

Emerson & Morgan

Baptism of Candidate (Baptismal Vows)

Do you confess with your mouth that Jesus Christ is Lord; that He is the Son of God who died on the cross for your redemption, and rose again in victory over sin and death?

I CONFESS JESUS AS LORD AND SAVIOR.

Have you repented of your sin and accepted this work on the cross for your own life?

I HAVE.

Do you intend to live a righteous life through the power of the Holy Spirit available to you? **I SO INTEND.**

Special Music

Daniel John

Charge to the Congregation

Are you willing to give of yourself to pray for and encourage this sister in Christ through the Spirit of God that so wonderfully works within you?

That is our desire.

Will you purpose to seek the best for this sister concerning their walk and witness for our Lord Jesus Christ?

With God's help, we will.

Prayer & Laying of Hands

Closing Hymn

REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING (*Hymn #302*)

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore;
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, And triumph evermore;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus, the Savior, reigns, The God of truth and love;
When He had purged our stains He took His seat above;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o'er earth and Heav'n,
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope! Jesus the Judge shall come,
And take His servants up to their eternal home;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

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Benediction