

FAITH 
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Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

March 28, 2021



*“When the chief priests saw the wonderful things that Jesus did,
and the children crying out in the temple,
‘Hosanna to the Son of David!’
they were indignant.”
Matthew 21:15*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Our worship is
a response to
God's initiative.
The pattern of
our worship
reflects the
gospel.*

***CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 24:7-10**

Leader: Lift up your heads, O gates! Be lifted up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

All: **Who is this King of glory?**

Leader: The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!
Lift up your heads, O gates! Lift them up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

All: **Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is
the King of glory!**

***CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS - Hymn #295**

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne
Hark how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own
Awake my soul and sing of Him who died for thee
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity

Crown Him the Lord of love behold His hands and side
Rich wounds yet visible above in beauty glorified
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight
But downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright

Crown Him the Lord of peace whose power a sceptre sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer and praise
his reign shall know no end and round His pierced feet
fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet

Crown Him the Lord of years the Potentate of time
Creator of the rolling spheres ineffably sublime
All hail! Redeemer hail! for Thou hast died for me
Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

***10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)**

(Chorus)

*Bless the Lord, O my soul; O my soul, worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship your holy name.*

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
it's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
let me be singing when the evening comes.

(Chorus)

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger.
Your name is great and your heart is kind.
For all your goodness I will keep on singing;
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

(Chorus)

And on that day when my strength is failing,
the end draws near and my time has come;
still my soul will sing your praise unending,
ten thousand years and then forevermore!

(Chorus 2x)

I'll worship your holy name; I'll worship your holy name.

**Call to
Worship**

Worship begins with God who invites us and welcomes us into his presence. Because of Christ, we can approach God with boldness even though we are sinful and weak.

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**Call to
Confession**

We all sin daily,
in thought and
word and deed.

As we come
into God's
presence, we
acknowledge
how we have
rebelled against
our King and
seek his
forgiveness.

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *1 Corinthians 10:13*

No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

All: Lord, too often I am easily overtaken by my temptations. I do not take you at your word by looking for a way of escape. I do not struggle enough against my sins, and I seldom try to endure against them with any real effort. Righteous Father, you are faithful and merciful. Forgive me my sins for the sake of your Son Jesus. Grant to me new and fresh obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Psalms 25:6-7*

Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!

***CONFESSION OF CHRIST'S GRACE:**

– The Heidelberg Catechism (1563), Question 1

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

All: That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.

Leader: He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

All: Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

***AMAZING GRACE (MY CHAINS ARE GONE)**

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.

'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)

*My chains are gone, I've been set free, my God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood his mercy reigns, unending love, amazing grace.*

The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

(Chorus 2x)

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow; the sun forbear to shine.
But God, who called me here below, will be forever mine, will be forever mine.
You are forever mine.

OFFERTORY: *(Offerings can be mailed to the church or given online at faithcov.com)
Children ages 4-6 excused for Children's Church during 11 a.m. services (downstairs corner classroom)*

Offering

We give back to God a portion of what he has given us to use to declare that he is Lord of all. (This is part of our service as a church family, and visitors should not feel obligated to participate.)

Sermon Series: Palm Sunday
Pastor John Sackett
The King Has Come — Matthew 21:12-17 (ESV)

¹² And Jesus entered the temple and drove out all who sold and bought in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons. ¹³ He said to them, “It is written, ‘My house shall be called a house of prayer,’ but you make it a den of robbers.”

¹⁴ And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and he healed them. ¹⁵ But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying out in the temple, “Hosanna to the Son of David!” they were indignant, ¹⁶ and they said to him, “Do you hear what these are saying?” And Jesus said to them, “Yes; have you never read, “‘Out of the mouth of infants and nursing babies you have prepared praise’?” ¹⁷ And leaving them, he went out of the city to Bethany and lodged there.

Sermon
God addresses and speaks to us by the reading and preaching of his Word. Both Christians and non-Christians need to hear the good news of salvation and grow in it.

Sermon Outline

- I. The King asserts His authority (not our expectations)
- II. The King receives due praise (not feigned rituals)

Sermon Questions

1. Why did Jesus react so strongly to the accepted commercial practice occurring in the Temple yards?
2. Consider: “When Jesus cites the O.T. he expects us to get the point by reading the whole passage (Dan Doriani).” Are we curious enough to wonder, are we hungry to learn?
3. R. T. France stated, “the most striking feature of this quotation, however, is the bold assumption by Jesus – that what the Psalms says about the praise of GOD ... is applicable to the children’s praise of Him.” What about Jesus do we find striking – or have we taken Him for granted?
4. On vs. 17 John Chrysostom remarks “He once again departs from them, giving room to their swelling frustration.” Space and time can either bring softness and healing or it can amplify our indignance. How can we promote the peace of Christ in our lives?

Children's Question

The children shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David". If you were there when Jesus rode into Jerusalem, and cleaned out the Temple and healed people, what might you say as you sang about Jesus?

*JESUS STRONG AND KIND

Jesus said that if I thirst, I should come to him
No one else can satisfy, I should come to him

Jesus said if I am weak, I should come to him
No one else can be my strength, I should come to him

(Chorus)

*For the Lord is good and faithful, He will keep us day and night
We can always run to Jesus, Jesus strong and kind*

Jesus said that if I fear, I should come to him
No one else can be my shield, I should come to him
(Chorus)

Jesus said if I am lost, He will come to me
And he showed me on that cross He will come to me
(Chorus 2x)

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Wine is located in the two outer rings; juice is located in the center ring.

PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

The Lord's Supper

The gospel is not only heard, but visibly seen as God invites us to commune with him at his table. In the Lord's Supper we remember and experience Jesus' saving work.

Benediction
 Just as worship begins with God's call, it ends with God sending us into the world with his word of grace. We go forth to live and serve by the power of his grace, not our own strength.

***HIS MERCY IS MORE**

What love could remember no wrongs we have done
 Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not their sum
 Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
 Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
 What Father, so tender, is calling us home
 He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
 Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more

(Chorus)

*Praise the Lord! His mercy is more
 Stronger than darkness, new every morn
 Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more*

What riches of kindness He lavished on us
 His blood was the payment, His life was the cost
 We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
 Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more

(Chorus 2x)

***BENEDICTION**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Hope Pregnancy Ministries
MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Jim & Jill Hadlock, Orlando, Cru Jesus Film Project
EASTER LILIES CAN BE PURCHASED in memory of your loved ones. Dedications will be printed in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Cost is \$10. Order in the foyer by TODAY.
GOOD FRIDAY services will be Friday, April 2, at 6 p.m. (masks required) and 8 p.m.
 Easter services will be 8, 9:30 (masks required) and 11 a.m. **There will be no Sunday School on March 28 & April 4.**

SERVING: March Deacon – Bruce Tulloch

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Children's Church: 11 Julie Thompson
 Nursery: 11 Falk & Davis
 Communion Prep/Cleanup: Fenners/Jessica Brown

Next Sunday, April 4th Easter

Children's Church: 11 Sharon Salyer
 Nursery: 11 Julie Thompson
 Communion Prep/Cleanup: Fosberys/Jeanie Brenneman

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Sunday Worship Services

8, 9:30 & 11 am, 6:30 pm
 Streaming 11 am

Vespers

2nd Sunday of the month
 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday Youth Group

Jr High 4:30-6 pm, Sr High 7-9