

March 30, 2025 At Home Bulletin

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 47

INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE

Come Christian, Join and Sing

Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen! loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen! let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice; praise is his gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen! let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen! he is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll condescend; his love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen! life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen! on heaven's blissful shore, his goodness we'll adore, singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

Text: Christian H. Bateman, 1893; Music: Traditional,

Psalm 45:1-17

Tune: Crown Him With May Crowns

Great is the Lord

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just; By His power we trust in His love. Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true; By His mercy He proves He is love.

Great is the Lord and worthy of glory! Great is the Lord and worthy of praise! Great is the Lord; now lift up your voice, Now lift up your voice: Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord! (Last Time)

Great are You, Lord, and worthy of glory! Great are You, Lord, And worthy of praise! Great are You Lord; I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice:

Great are You, Lord! Great are You, Lord!

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GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION

Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. *Exodus 20:12*

Your Word, O Lord declares your infinite grandeur, majesty and power.

Our words and actions present you as small and powerless.

Your steadfast love endures forever.

But we have loved one another so poorly, that we can scarcely trust in such a love.

The heavens are yours; the earth also is yours; the world and all that is in it, you have founded them.

Yet we live in fear. We have denied your power with our attempts to exert control over our own lives and the lives of others.

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne.

Yet we have presumed to think that we can justify ourselves with our deeds, seeking to proclaim our goodness instead of yours, O Holy God.

In the heavens you will establish your faithfulness.

We have doubted your promises and ignored your demonstrations of covenant faithfulness, putting our trust in people and things that cannot be trusted.

Forgive us O Lord.

We confess we need your mercy and cry out for the help of your eternal Son.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

I Peter 1:3-5

According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Who is Jesus Christ?

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. By him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities.

What has Christ done?

All things were created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the Church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. In him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Why should we follow and worship Christ?

He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power.

After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

-Adapted from Colossians 1:15-20 & Hebrews 1:1-4

CHILDREN'S SERMON

RECEPTION OF OFFERINGS

PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SONG OF PREPARATION

Take My Life and Let it Be

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee. Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love. Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee, swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing, always, only, for my King. Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from thee, filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect, and use ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose, ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne, it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store. Take my self, and I will be ever, only, all for thee, ever, only, all for thee.

Words, Frances R. Havergal, 1874; HENDON, Henri A. César Malan, 1827.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 19:45-20:26

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"By Whose Authority?"

Pastor Ian Hard

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen. Public Domain

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

If you are following along at home, please refrain from taking Communion as it is a form of worship meant to be celebrated in the physical presence of the body of Christ.

HYMN OF SENDING

Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God And His righteousness; And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia.

Ask and it shall be given unto you;
Seek and you shall find;
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you,
Allelu, alleluia.
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BENEDICTION

Sermon NOTES: By Whose Authority?