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GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 47

INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE

10,000 Reasons

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)*

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Give Us Clean Hands

We bow our hearts we bend our knees. Oh Spirit come make us humble. We turn our eyes from evil things. Oh Lord we cast down our idols.

Chorus

Give us clean hands give us pure hearts Let us not lift our souls to another Give us clean hands give us pure hearts Let us not lift our souls to another.

And oh God let us be a generation that seeks That seeks Your face oh God of Jacob And oh God let us be a generation that seeks That seeks Your face oh God of Jacob.

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Psalm 54

Tune: O the Deep Deep Love of Jesus

GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION

You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's. *Exodus 20:15-17*

Lord, let us consider the lilies and the sparrow.

For if you provide for such as these, then how can we doubt your care for us.

Yet we have taken control to meet our needs into our own hands, instead of trusting in the hands that fashioned us and hold us in love.

We have sown much, reaping little, placing our wages in bags with holes.

Gracious Father you have given us all things for your own glory.

Forgive us for thinking that the splendors that you have created and blessed us with are merely for our comfort. Forgive us for placing our trust in our treasure, whether enslaved to attaining it or retaining it.

Lord, only in doing your will is their true joy and contentment. Help us to obey you with all our heart, soul, mind, time, and treasure. Give us the faith to obey you, O gracious God.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 3:23-25

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Christian, how does our story begin?

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made, in him was life and the life was the light of men.

Did the Word remain in Heaven with God?

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

Who is the Word?

The Word is Jesus Christ, and though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

Why did Christ do this?

Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures. He was buried, and he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

Adapted from John 1, Philippians 2, 1 Corinthians 15

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.

HYMN OF PREPARATION

Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy pow'rful hand; Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more, feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow; let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through; strong Deliv'rer, strong Deliv'rer, be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; Death of death, and hell's Destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side; songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee, I will ever give to thee.

Text: William Williams, 1717-1791; Tune: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes

SCRIPTURE READING

I Corinthians 6:1-11

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Who's to Judge?"

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. Amen.

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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 Chris

HYMN OF SENDING

How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent Word! What more can he say than to you he has said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed; for I am your God, and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through the deep waters I call you to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; for I will be with you, your troubles to bless, and sanctify to you your deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply; the flame shall not hurt you; I only design your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

"E'en down to old age all my people shall prove my sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love; and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn, like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

"The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to his foes; that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

Text: Rippon's *Selection of Hymns*, 1787; alt.; mod. Tune: FOUNDATION, Traditional American Melody

BENEDICTION

Sermon NOTES: Who's to Judge?