

ORDER OF WORSHIP MARCH 24, 2024

CALL TO WORSHIP

Romans 11:33-36

Leader: Oh, the depths of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

People: How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable are his ways!

Leader: For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?

People: Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?

Leader: For from him and through him and to him are all things.

All: To him be the glory forever!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN OF PRAISE

1. 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.

2. 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 with Many Crowns

3. Crown Him the Lord of peace; Whose power a scepter 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.

4. Crown Him the Lord of life, Who triumphed o'er the grave; And rose victorious in the strife For those He came to save; His glories now we sing, Who died and rose on high Who died eternal life to bring And lives that death may die.

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He arose 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.

HYMN OF AFFIRMATION

Yet, Not I, But Through Christ in Me

- 1. 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.
- 2. The night is dark but I am not forsaken,
 For by my side, the Savior he will stay;
 I labor 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.
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- 3. 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.
- 4. 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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OLD TESTAMENT READING

⁹ Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰ I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. ¹¹ As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹² Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double. ¹³ For I have bent Judah as my bow; I have made Ephraim its arrow. I will stir up your sons, O Zion, against your sons, O Greece, and wield you like a warrior's sword. ¹⁴ Then the Lord will appear over them, and his arrow will go forth like lightning; the Lord God will sound the trumpet and will march forth in the whirlwinds of the south. ¹⁵ The Lord of hosts will protect them, and they shall devour, and tread down the sling stones, and they shall drink and roar as if drunk with wine, and be full like a bowl, drenched like the corners of the altar. ¹⁶ On that day the Lord their God will save them, as the flock of his people; for like the jewels of a crown they shall shine on his land. ¹⁷ For how great is his goodness, and how great his beauty! Grain shall make the young men flourish, and new wine the young women.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Matthew 1:21

She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.

HYMN OF ASSURANCE

1. I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small. Child of weakness, watch and pray; Find in Me thine all in all."

Chorus

Jesus paid it all, All to Him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

2. Lord, now indeed I find Thy pow'r, and Thine alone, Can change the leper's spots And melt the heart of stone. Chorus

Jesus Paid it All

Bridge (2x)

Oh, praise the One Who paid my debt And raised this life up from the dead.

3. And when, before the throne, I stand in Him complete: "Jesus died, my soul to save," My lips shall still repeat! Chorus 2x

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

SCRIPTURE READING

John 16:1-16

¹ "I have said all these things to you to keep you from falling away. ² They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God. ³ And they will do these things because they have not known the Father, nor me. ⁴ But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told them to you.

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵ But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' ⁶ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. ⁷ Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸ And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹ concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰ concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; ¹¹ concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

¹² "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁶ "A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me."

SERMON NOTES	
	Sunday, March 24, 2024 Bryan Rigg
	"To Your Advantage" John 16:1-16

COLLECTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

1. All glory, laud, and honor
To Thee, Redeemer, King!
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring!
Thou art the King of Israel,
Thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest,
The King and Blessed One!

2. The people of the Hebrews
With palms before Thee went;
Our prayer and praise and anthems
Before Thee we present.
To Thee, before Thy Passion,
They sang their hymns of praise;
To Thee, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise.

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Chorus

Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest

3. Thou didst accept their praises, Accept the prayers we bring, Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King! All glory, laud, and honor To Thee, Redeemer King, To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring! Chorus (3x)

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SONG OF RESPONSE

1. What is our hope in life and death? Christ alone, Christ alone What is our only confidence? That our souls to him belong Who holds our days within his hand? What comes, apart from his command? And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand

Chorus

O sing hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal.
O sing hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death!

2. What truth can calm the troubled soul? God is good, God is good.
Where is his grace and goodness known? In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?
Chorus

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

3. Unto the grave, what will we sing?
"Christ, he lives; Christ, he lives!"
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with him
There we will rise to meet the Lord,
Then sin and death will be destroyed,
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore!
Chorus (2x)

Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death!

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BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL

Minister: Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

People: THANKS BE TO GOD!