

Outdoor Worship Service

Sunday, September 17, 2017 - 11:00 a.m.

As We Gather

"The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge...Their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world" (Psalm 19:1-2, 4). The Lord has blessed us with the gift of the creation, which continues to call us back to worship the almighty God, who created all things. May we this day join our voice with all creation to praise Him, for we are "fearfully and wonderfully made" (Psalm 139:14).

Opening Song (Remain standing)

"10,000 Reasons"

Matt Redman

The sun comes up it's a new day dawn - ing It's time to sing Your song
— a - gain — What ev - er may — pass and what - ev - er lies be -
fore me let me be sing - ing when the ev - 'ning comes Bless the
Lord O my soul O — my soul wor - ship His ho - ly name
— Sing like nev - er be - fore O my soul I'll wor - ship Your ho - ly name. —

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

Bless the Lord oh my soul Oh my soul Worship His holy name
Sing like never before Oh my soul I'll worship Your holy name

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

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heav'nly host Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost

Repeat Doxology

Invocation

L: We come together in the name of the Triune God,

C: **Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

L: We come to worship the Father,

C: **who created the beauty of the heavens and earth.**

L: We come to worship the Son,

C: **who died on the cross to restore God's once perfect creation.**

L: We come to worship the Spirit,

C: **who makes us brothers and sisters in the faith.**

L: As a family of believers, we come to give thanks to Him from whom all blessings flow.

C: Amen.

Gathering Prayer

Gathering of Offerings (*Please be seated*)

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Song

"How Great Thou Art"



1. O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won-der Con-sid-er
(2. And when I) think that God His Son not spar-ing Sent Him to
all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the
die I scarce can take it in; That on the cross my bur den
12 roll - ing thun-der Thy pow'r through out the u - ni-verse dis-played
glad ly bear ing, He bled and died to take a way my sin.
17 Then sings my soul my Sav - ior God to Thee; How great Thou
22 art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul my Sav-ior God to
28 Thee How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
35 1 How great Thou art! 2. And when I

after verse 2 and chorus:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

How great Thou art! How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

✠ The Word of the Lord ✠

First Reading

“Unfinished Business”

Acts 1:1-3, 8

¹In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, ²until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³To them he presented himself alive after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God...⁸ [Jesus said to His disciples,] “...you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle

“Living to the Lord”

Romans 14:1, 5-8, 12

¹As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions... ⁵One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. ⁶The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. ⁷For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. ⁸If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's... ¹²So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel *(Please stand)*

“Parable of the Unforgiving Servant”

Matthew 18:21-34

²¹Peter came up and said to [Jesus], “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” ²²Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven. ²³“Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. ²⁵And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ ²⁷And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’ ²⁹So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ ³⁰He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³²Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Children’s Message *(Please be seated)*

Song of the Day

"Amazing Grace My Chains are Gone"

Chris Tomlin

1. A - maz - ing grace! How sweet the sound That
(2.'Twas) grace that taught my heart to fear And

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but now I'm found Was
grace my fears re - lieved How pre - cious did that grace ap - pear The

1. blind but now I see 'Twas lieved My chains are gone, I've been set
hour I first be

— free — My God, my Sav - ior has ran - somed me — And like a —

flood His mer - cy — reigns un - end ing love — a - maz zing grace. —

3. 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)

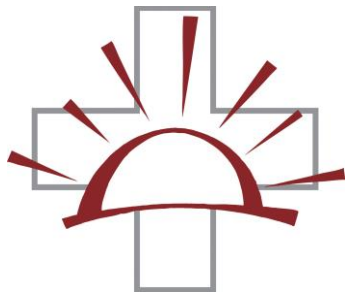
My chains are gone, I've been set free. My God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood His mercy reigns, unending love, amazing grace.

(Repeat Chorus)

4. 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.



1) He was only _____.

^{1:1} In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach... ⁸ [Jesus said,] “...you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth” (Acts 1:1, 8).

2) Sent Forth by God's Blessing

a. We are not _____.

[Jesus said,] “...behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age” (Matthew 28:20b).

b. The _____ is even more than we imagine our _____ could be.

¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain (1 Corinthians 15:10a).

¹⁶ But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost sinner, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life (1 Timothy 1:16).

c. His _____ over the obstacles of this life.

¹² I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, ¹³ so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. ¹⁴ And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear (Philippians 1:12-14).

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Apostles' Creed *(Please stand)*

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, 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, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen.

Pastoral Greeting & Rite of Fellowship *(Please be seated)*

(Welcome! Please add your name to the fellowship pad.)

Prayer of Confession *(Please stand)*

- L: Let us humble ourselves before God, confess our sins to Him, and ask His gracious forgiveness.
- C: We now confess to You, O God Almighty, that we are sinful by nature and by deed. We have not always put You first in our lives. We have used Your name in ways that did not honor You. We have been careless in our devotion and have not always honored those in authority over us. We have done violence to others in word and deed and have not always kept our thoughts, words, and deeds pure and honorable. We have taken what is not ours and have spoken that which is not helpful or true. Have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins, and bring us to life everlasting. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

- L: The almighty and merciful Lord grants pardon and peace to all who humbly confess their sin. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen! Thanks be to God.

Prayer of the Church & Lord's Prayer

- L: Lord remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction

- L: May the God of creation preserve and keep you,
may His Son fill you with His grace,
and may the Holy Spirit ☩ guide and direct you in this world until life eternal.
- C: Amen.
- L: Go in peace and serve the Lord!
- C: Thanks be to God!

Sending Song

"Shout to the North"

Martin Smith

1. Men of faith rise up and sing of the great and glo-rious
King hearts You are strong when you feel weak, in your bro-ken-ness com-plete
2. women of the truth stand and sing to bro-ken King of love.

Shout to the north and the south sing to the east and the west Je - sus is
Sav-ior to all Lord of heaven and earth. Rise up
We've been through fire - we've been through rain we've been re-fined by the pow'r of His name
We've fall-en deep-er in love with You You've burned the truth on our lips

Chorus:

Shout to the north and the south
Sing to the east and the west
Jesus is Saviour to all, Lord of Heaven and Earth.

Rise up church with broken wings
Fill this place with songs again
Of our God who reigns on high
By His grace again we'll fly--

Chorus (2 times)

Yes He's Lord of Heaven and Earth
(Slowing) He is Lord of Heaven and Earth.

Next Sat., Sept 23rd join us for a special service as the Calvary School 1st through 4th grade will lead us in worship for a Reformation Musical and Hymn Sing.

Next weekend (Sept 23rd & 24th), Marv & Rhonda Hansen will share about the upcoming India mission trip. A door offering will also be gathered for Tamil Bibles.