

Celebrations!

Sunday, August 19, 2018 - 10:45 a.m.

Welcome & Community Greeting

Opening Song (*Remain standing*) "Here I Am to Worship"

Tim Hughes



1. Light of the world You stepped down in-to dark ness O - pened my eyes let me
2. King of all days oh so high - ly ex - al - ted Glo - rious in hea - ven a



see Beau - ty that made this heart a - dore You
bove. Hum - bly You came to the Earth you cre - a - ted



Hope of a life spent with You. And here I am to wor - ship here I am to
All for love's sake be - came poor



bow down Here I am to say that You're-my God You're al-to-ge-ther love-ly al-to-ge-ther



wor - thy Al-to-ge-ther won - der - ful to me.

Here I am to worship here I am to bow down Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely altogether worthy Altogether wonderful to me



I'll ne - ver know how much it cost to see my sin u-pon



that cross I'll ne - - that cross

Here I am to worship here I am to bow down Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely altogether worthy Altogether wonderful to me (*repeat refrain*)

Opening Sentences & Invocation

Psalm 46:1-2

L: God is our refuge and strength,

C: a very present help in trouble.

L: Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,

C: though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea.

L: We gather this day in the name of our almighty and merciful God,

C: Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Gathering Prayer

Children's Message

Song

"I Know My Faith is Founded"

Tony Spelde

C2 F2 C2 F2 C F2

I know my faith is found-ed on

A m Gsus C F2 A m

Je-sus Christ my Lord; And this — my faith con-fes-sing, I stand on His sure

Gsus F G C C D

Word. Our rea-son can-not fath-om The truth of God pro-

G C C/E F C/G G

found; Who trusts — in hu-man wis-dom re-lies on shift-ing

C C2 C F G

ground. God's word is ne-ver chang-ing of this we can be

A m F C/E F2 A m G

sure And trust-ing in its wis-dom, My faith shall rest se-

C 1. C 2. F2 G C

cure. God's cure. _____

✠ God's Word for Us ✠

Epistle (*Please be seated*)

“Walk as Children of Light”

Ephesians 5:6-21

⁶Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. ⁷Therefore do not associate with them; ⁸for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light ⁹(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), ¹⁰and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. ¹³But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, ¹⁴for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.” ¹⁵Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, ²⁰giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

L: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Response

Psalm 72:18-19

L: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

C: Blessed be his glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with his glory! Amen and Amen!

Holy Gospel (*Please stand*)

“To Whom Shall We Go?”

John 6:51-69

Jesus said, ⁵¹“I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.” ⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” ⁵³So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. ⁵⁵For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. ⁵⁷As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not as the fathers ate and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever.”... ⁶⁰When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?” ⁶¹But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, “Do you take offense at this? ⁶²Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is of no avail. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴But there are some of you who do not believe.”... ⁶⁵And he said, “This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father.” ⁶⁶After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. ⁶⁷So Jesus said to the Twelve, “Do you want to go away as well?” ⁶⁸Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, ⁶⁹and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Our Shared Confession of God

The Apostles' Creed

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 \dagger everlasting. Amen.

Song (Please be seated) "Greater" Tomlin, Redman, Fielding, Cash

1.From Him, through Him and to Him are all things; to God be the glo - ry
 (2.He) was and is, and for - ev - er_ will be_ to God be the glo - ry

His Word en - dures from be gin - ning to en ; to God be the glo - ry
 His pow'r in us He is strength for_ the weak to God be the glo - ry

to God be the glo - ry Great - er is the One who lives in_ me!

Great - er is the love of Je - sus Great - er than my sin, great - er than the grave; a
 bove all oth - er thrones, a - bove all oth - er names, great - er You are great - er

He Je - sus You reign for - ev - er Je - sus You reign for - ev - er There's no one like You

Je - sus You reign Je - sus You reign for - ev - er Je - sus You reign for - ev - er

there's none be side You Je - sus You reign Je - sus You reign.

Greater is the one who lives in me Greater is the love of Jesus
 Greater than my sin Greater than the grave
 Above all other thrones Above all other names (*repeat*)

Jesus, You reign forever Jesus, You reign forever
 There's no one like you Jesus, You reign
 Jesus, You reign forever Jesus, You reign forever ©
 There's none beside You, Jesus You reign

- 1) We are created with a _____ that no physical food can _____,
 a _____ that no earthly experience can _____,
 an _____ that no material object can _____.

⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.” ... ⁵⁸
 This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers ate, and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever” (John 6:51, 58).

⁸ All things are full of weariness; a man cannot utter it; the eye is not satisfied with seeing, nor the ear filled with hearing. ⁹ What has been is what will be, and what has been done is what will be done, and there is nothing new under the sun (Ecclesiastes 1:8-9).

- 2) The _____ of a _____
 God.

⁶⁷ So Jesus said to the twelve, “Do you want to go away as well?” ⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, ⁶⁹ and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God” (John 6:67-69).

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✝ Thanking Him with Our Lives ✝

Pastoral Greeting & Rite of Fellowship

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

Ministry Moment “Women’s Fall Bible Study (Tuesdays)” *see announcements for more info*

Gathering of Offerings

(As an act of worship and thanksgiving, we offer to God what He has first given to us: the first and best of our lives, time, talents and financial gifts.)

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Special Music

“God, You’re So Good”

Diane Stebbe/Sandra Wilson duet

arr. Tony Spelde

✝ Calling Upon Him in Confession and Prayer ✝

Confession & Absolution *(Please stand)*

P: Almighty God, merciful Father,

C: By nature, we try to take hold of Your authority as God. Both knowingly and unknowingly, we plan, plot, scheme, and try to control our own lives independently of You. We confess that You are God and we are not. For Jesus’ sake, have mercy on us and forgive us, and fill us anew with Your Holy Spirit that our lives may be cared for by You.

P: Our Lord gently reminds us, “Peace! Be still and know that I am God” *(Psalm 46:10)*. Know that our Heavenly Father still loves you! 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.

Prayers of the Church & the 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.

¹³ As a father shows compassion to his children,
so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

— Psalm 103:13

✝ Sent with His Blessing ✝

Blessing

Based on Psalm 46:1, 11

P: God is our refuge and strength,

C: a very present help in trouble.

P: The Lord Almighty is with us;

C: our God is our mighty fortress.

P: And now may He who began a good work in you bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. May He bless you and direct your days and your deeds in His peace.

C: Amen.

Sending Song

“By Faith”

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1. By faith we see the hand of God in the
 2. By faith our fa ther's roamed the earth with the
 3. By faith the church was called to go in the

light of cre - a - tion's grand de sign, in the lives of those who prove His
 pow'r of His prom - ise in their hearts of a ho - ly cit - y built by
 pow'r of the Spir - it to the lost, to de - liv - er cap - tives and to

1. faith - ful ness who walk by faith and not by sight. We will
 God's own hand, a place where peace and jus - tice reign.
 preach good news in ev 'ry cor - ner of the earth

stand as chil-dren of the prom-ise; We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's re - ward Till the

race is fin-ished and the work is done, we'll walk by faith and not by sight. *to vs 3*

After last verse:

We'll walk by faith and not by sight.

We'll walk by faith and not by sight.