

Worship Flowers

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Hospitality Team

9 a.m. Fred George, Team Leader; Todd Maiden, Richard Miles, Richard White
Bobbie Dodson-Nielsen, Greeter
11 a.m. Bill Barnard, Team Leader; Jackie Ellis, Margaret Kaluzny, Colleen Fawley
Gwen Wallace, Greeter

Welcome Team

A special thank you today to Friendship, a Voyager group, for serving the coffee on the plaza.

Worship & Music Team

Peter Whitelock, Pastor/Head of Staff
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Stewart Sarch, Organist; Michael Morales, Worship and Music Assistant
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SUNDAY WORSHIP BULLETIN SUPPLEMENT

Songs and Hymns of Praise: Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty (Hymnal #35)

Text: Joachim Neander, 1680; trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863, alt.; Music: Stralsund *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, 1863; harm. *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863

Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!

All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near; join me in glad adoration!

Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth

Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!

Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!

All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!

Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly for aye we adore him

Creation Sings

Words and Music by David Leonard and Leslie Jordan

In You we live, in You we move

In You we have our being

In ev'ry nation, all the earth

This song of ours is rising

Creation, all creation, sings Your glory

Sings Your glory God

Glory to the Father

Glory to the Son

Glory to the Spirit

Who was and is to come

Great Are You Lord

Words and Music: Jason Ingram, Leslie Jordan, and David Leonard

Verse: **You give life. You are love**

You bring light to the darkness

You give hope. You restore

Ev'ry heart that is broken

And great are You, Lord

Chorus: **It's Your breath in our lungs**

So we pour out our praise, we pour out our praise

It's Your breath in our lungs

So we pour out our praise to You only *Verse, Chorus 2x*

Bridge: **And all the earth will shout Your praise**

Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing

"Great are You, Lord!" *Bridge, Chorus 2x*

Sermon: What Is the Good Life?

The Scripture (Matthew 5:1–16 & some quotes)

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

“You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. (Matthew 5:1–16)

The False Beatitudes:

Blessed are the rich, in things and in self-assurance.

Blessed are those untouched by loss.

Blessed are the powerful.

Blessed are those who are “realistic” about righteousness, compromising at every turn.

Blessed are those who demand an exact eye for an eye.

Blessed are those who are crafty and opportunistic.

Blessed are those who are bold enough to make war.

Blessed are those who, doing good things, receive many accolades.

Blessed are those who, following Jesus, are widely praised and adored.

Our culture says, Happy are those with great prospects for marriage and work, because they will be successful.

Jesus says, Happy are the destitute, because the kingdom of heaven is theirs.

Our culture says, Happy are those whose loved ones enjoy health, because they will not worry.

Jesus says, Happy are those who grieve, because they will be made glad.

Our culture says, Happy are those who enjoy power because they will be in charge.

Jesus says, Happy are people who are humble, because they will inherit the earth.

Our culture says, Happy are people who can buy any pleasure, because they can do whatever makes them feel good.

Jesus says, Happy are people who are hungry and thirst for righteousness, because they will be fed until they are full.

Our culture says, Happy are people who have power to sit in judgement over others, because they can boss people around.

Jesus says, Happy are people who show mercy, because they will receive mercy.

Our culture says, Happy are people who can run down their opponent by whatever means possible, because they will see victory.

Jesus says, Happy are people who have pure hearts, because they will see God.

Our culture says, Happy are people who can beat their opponents, because they are winners.

Jesus says, Happy are people who make peace, because they will be called God's children.

Our culture says, Happy are people whose lives are lived in total freedom to do whatever they want, because they have no constraints.

Jesus says, Happy are people whose lives are harassed because they are righteous, because the kingdom of heaven is theirs.

Our culture says, Happy are people who are popular, because you will be rewarded with a great reputation.

Jesus says, Happy are you when people insult you and harass you and speak all kinds of bad false things about you, all because of me. Be full of joy and be glad, because you have a great reward in heaven. — Christine Chakoian

"You're not supposed to be happy all the time. Life hurts and it's hard. Not because you're doing it wrong, but because it hurts for everybody. Don't avoid the pain. You need it. It's meant for you. Be still with it, let it come, let it go, let it leave you with the fuel you'll burn to get your work done on this earth...we think our job as humans is to avoid pain, our job as parents is to protect our children from pain, and our job as friends is to fix each other's pain. Maybe that's why we all feel like failures so often—because we all have the wrong job description for love." — Glennon Doyle Melton

O Come to the Altar

Words & Music: Steven Furtick, Chris Brown, Wade Joye, and Mack Brock

Are you hurting and broken within
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin?

Jesus is calling

Have you come to the end of yourself
Do you thirst for a drink from the well?

Jesus is calling

O come to the altar

The Father's arms are open wide

Forgiveness was bought with the precious blood of Jesus Christ

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes

Come today, there's no reason to wait

Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born
Jesus is calling

Oh, what a Savior
Isn't he wonderful
Sing alleluia
Christ is risen
Bow down before him
For he is Lord of all
Sing alleluia
Christ is risen

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown
Tell the world of the treasure you've found

The Lord's Prayer

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever
Amen.**

The Apostles' Creed

Music by Rowland Hugh Prichard

**I believe in God the Father
Maker of both heaven and earth
And in Jesus Christ, our Savior,
God's own Son of matchless worth
By the Holy Ghost conceived
Virgin Mary bore God's Son
He in whom I have believed
God Almighty, Three in One
Suffered under Pontius Pilate
Crucified for me He died
Laid within the grave so silent
Gates of hell He opened wide
And the stone-sealed tomb was empty
On the third day He arose
Into heaven made His entry
Mighty Conqueror of His foes
At God's right hand He is seated**

Till His coming, as He said
Final judgment will be meted
To the living and the dead
I confess the Holy Spirit
Has been sent through Christ the Son
To apply salvation's merit
God the Spirit, Three in One
I believe the Church of Jesus
Holy catholic remains
We are one through all the ages
With communion of the saints
I believe sins are forgiven
That our bodies will be raised
Everlasting life in heaven
Amen, let God's name be praised!

Doxology: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (Hymnal #606)

Text: Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709; Music: Genevan Psalter, 1551

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow
Praise God, all creatures here below
Praise God above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.