

Sunday, October 1, 2023

10:30am Worship Order



## WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU TO THE PRAYZ TEAM FOR SINGING TODAY! Please join in singing as they lead the songs.

**SONG: Thy Word**

## INVOCATION & CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 24:7–10)

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

<sup>7</sup>Lift up your heads, O gates!

And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

<sup>8</sup>**Who is this King of glory?**

**The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!**

<sup>9</sup>Lift up your heads, O gates!

And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

<sup>10</sup>**Who is this King of glory?**

**The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!**

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## CONFESSION

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**HYMN 806 (Maroon): Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart**  
**Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One**  
**Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son (repeat)**  
**And now let the weak say I am strong, Let the poor say I am rich**  
**Because of what the Lord has done for us (repeat)**

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*Reader: 10:30am Jeff Miller*

**Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 2:1–5**

<sup>1</sup>The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

<sup>2</sup>It shall come to pass in the latter days  
that the mountain of the house of the LORD  
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,  
and shall be lifted up above the hills;  
and all the nations shall flow to it,

<sup>3</sup>and many peoples shall come, and say:  
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,  
to the house of the God of Jacob,  
that he may teach us his ways  
and that we may walk in his paths.”

For out of Zion shall go the law,  
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

<sup>4</sup>He shall judge between the nations,  
and shall decide disputes for many peoples;  
and they shall beat their swords into plowshares,  
and their spears into pruning hooks;  
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
neither shall they learn war anymore.

<sup>5</sup>O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Epistle Reading: 1 Peter 2:4–10**

<sup>4</sup>As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, <sup>5</sup>you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. <sup>6</sup>For it stands in Scripture:

“Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious,  
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

<sup>7</sup>So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,”

<sup>8</sup>and “A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

<sup>9</sup>But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

<sup>10</sup>Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### ▲ 10:30am Caribbean Hallelujah

Halle, halle, hallelujah. Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah. Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

### Holy Gospel: *Matthew 11:25–30*

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eleventh chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>25</sup>At that time Jesus declared, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; <sup>26</sup>yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. <sup>27</sup>All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. <sup>28</sup>Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup>For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

### The LWML Pledge

In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.

### Children’s Message: “The King Is Coming” (Psalm 24:7-10)

1. Be Knowing; 2. Be Trusting; 3. Be Sharing

#### SONG: He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands

1. He’s got the whole world in His hands . . .
2. He’s got the little, tiny baby in His hands . . .
3. He’s got you and me, brother, in His hands . . .
4. He’s got you and me, sister, in His hands . . .
5. He’s got everybody here, in His hands . . .

**SERMON      “The King Is Coming” (Psalm 24:7-10)**

**PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS**

*Please sign the friendship pad in the pew and pass it along to others. As it is passed back to the center aisle, please take the opportunity to note the names of others seated in your pew.*

**PRAYERS & THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**BENEDICTION**

**SONG: Lord, I Lift Your Name on High**

Lord I lift Your name on high  
Lord I love to sing Your praises  
I'm so glad You're in my life  
I'm so glad You came to save us

You came from heaven to earth to show the way  
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay  
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky  
Lord I lift Your name on high

