



Celebrate

Planting Faith ~ Nurturing Hope ~ Sharing God's Love

14th Sunday after Pentecost Contemporary Worship Service

Sunday, August 30 ~ 8:45am



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GATHERING

Gathering Song – “Come, Now Is the Time to Worship,” Brian Doerksen

(Chorus) **Come now is the time to worship
Come now is the time to give your heart
Come just as you are to worship
Come just as you are before your God
Come**

**1. One day every tongue
Will confess You are God
One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains
For those who gladly choose You now *(chorus)***

**2. Willingly we choose to surrender our lives
Willingly our knees will bow
With all our heart soul mind and strength
We gladly choose You now *(chorus)***

Welcome

+Greeting

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and
the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

+Call to Worship

Behold, how good and pleasant it is when God's people live and worship in unity.
Where two or three are gathered, the Lord is in our midst.

Today, we stand stronger together, united in Christ's love.
We lift our voices and worship the Lord as one body!

No one of us carries the load alone; we are better together.
We can lift each other up, share our burdens, and celebrate the grace of God.

Come, we bring our many gifts into one unified voice of praise!
We worship the Lord together!

+Gathering Song – “Awesome Is the Lord Most High,” Abel, Pierce, Tomlin, Reeves

**1. Great are you Lord mighty in strength
You are faithful you will ever be
We will praise you all of our days
It's for your glory we offer everything**

(Chorus 1) **Raise your hands all you nations
Shout to God all creation
How awesome is the Lord most high**

**2. Where you send us God we will go
You are faithful we want the world to know
We will trust you when you call our name
Where you lead us we'll follow all the way**

(Chorus 2) **Raise your hands all you nations
Shout to God all creation
How awesome is the Lord most high
We will praise you together for now and forever
How awesome is the Lord most high**

(Bridge) **Hallelujah, Hallelujah
How awesome is the Lord most high
Hallelujah, Hallelujah
How awesome is the Lord most high *(chorus 2)***

(Ending) **Lord most high**

+Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, ✠ one God, whose compassion endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin to God.

Compassionate God,

**we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.
In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.
Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

Jesus says, “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.” In the name of God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love. **Amen.**

+Prayer of the Day

Song of Praise – “The Wonderful Cross,” Chris Tomlin, Isaac Watts, J. D. Walt, Jesse Reeves, Lowell Mason

**1. When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died
My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride**

**2. See from His head His hands His feet
Sorrow and love flow mingled down
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet
Or thorns compose so rich a crown**

(Chorus) **O the wonderful cross
O the wonderful cross
Bids me come and die and find
That I may truly live
O the wonderful cross
O the wonderful cross
All who gather here by grace
Draw near and bless Your name**

**3. Were the whole realm of nature mine
That were an offering far too small
Love so amazing so divine
Demands my soul my life my all *(chorus)***

WORD

Reading – Psalm 26:1-8 *(read responsively)*

Give judgment for me, O Lord, for I have lived with integrity;
I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.
**Test me, O Lord, and try me:
examine my heart and my mind.**

For your steadfast love is before my eyes;
I have walked faithfully with you.
**I have not sat with the worthless,
nor do I consort with the deceitful.**

I have hated the company of evildoers;
I will not sit down with the wicked.
**I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord,
that I may go in procession round your altar,**

singing aloud a song of thanksgiving
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.
**Lord, I love the house in which you dwell
and the place where your glory abides.**

Reading – Romans 12:9-21

Word of God. Word of Life.
Thanks be to God.

KidTalk

+Gospel – Matthew 16:21-28

This is the Good News.
We praise you Lord Jesus.

Sermon

Song of the Day – “At the Cross (Love Ran Red),” Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Jonas Myrin, Matt Armstrong, Matt Redman

**1. There's a place where mercy reigns and never dies
There's a place where streams of grace flow deep and wide
Where all the love I've ever found
Comes like a flood comes flowing down**

(Chorus) **At the cross at the cross I surrender my life
I'm in awe of You I'm in awe of You
Where Your love ran red and my sin washed white
I owe all to You I owe all to You**

**2. There's a place where sin and shame are powerless
Where my heart has peace with God and forgiveness
Where all the love I've ever found
Comes like a flood comes flowing down *(chorus)***

(Bridge) **Here my hope is found, here on holy ground
Here I bow down here I bow down
Here arms open wide, here You saved my life
Here I bow down here I bow *(chorus)***

(Ending) **I owe all to You, I owe all to You, Jesus**

+Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and 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.

+Prayers of the People

+Sharing the Peace

MEAL

Offering Invitation

**Offering Song— "Man on the Middle Cross," Rhett Walker, Matthew West, Matt Jenkins, Andrew
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**1. I heard the preacher talking
About three wooden crosses
Upon a hill for everyone to see
Two sinners on the outside
Couldn't save themselves if they tried
All I could think is man that sounds like me**

**(Chorus) I've been the one on the left
Full of guilt and regret
Long-gone on the wrong side of living
I've been the one on the right
Always looking for a fight
Thinking I could never be forgiven
I'm standing here today overwhelmed by grace
'Cause I know who paid my cost**

Thank God for the Man on the middle cross

**2. He didn't have to do it
But for me He went through it
A love like that I'll never understand
Lord knows I don't deserve it
And I know I couldn't earn it
Let mercy rain down on this desperate Man (*chorus*)**

**(Bridge) The cross is where He went
Oh but that ain't where He stayed
He brought me back to life
When He rose up outta that grave
Someday I'll stand before Him
And I'll see Jesus face to face
I'll worship and adore Him
For a life forever changed (*chorus*)**

(Ending) Thank God for the Man on the middle cross

+Offering Prayer

Loving God,
we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Use the gifts we have offered to you,
that all creation will taste of your abundant love. We ask this in the name of Jesus.
Amen.

+Holy Communion

+Setting the Table

+The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

+Invitation to Communion

Communion Song – “The Jesus Way,” Jonathan Smith & Phil Wickham

**1. If you curse me then I will bless you
If you hurt me I will forgive
And if you hate me then I will love you
I choose the Jesus way**

**2. If you're helpless I will defend you
And if you're burdened I'll share the weight
And if you're hopeless then let me show you
There's hope in the Jesus way**

(Chorus) **I follow Jesus I follow Jesus
He wore my sin I'll gladly wear His name
He is the treasure He is the answer
Oh I choose the Jesus way**

**3. If you strike me I will embrace you
And if you chain me I'll sing His praise
And if you kill me my home is heaven
For I choose the Jesus way *(chorus)***

Bridge

**I choose surrender I choose to love
Oh God my Savior You'll always be enough
I choose forgiveness I choose grace
I choose to worship no matter what I face
I choose the Jesus way
I choose the Jesus way
I choose the Jesus way
I choose the Jesus way *(chorus)***

(Ending) **Oh I choose the Jesus way**

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Announcements

+Blessing

+Sending Song – “I Am Free” Jon Egan

(Verse) **Through You the blind will see
Through You the mute will sing
Through You the dead will rise
Through You all hearts will praise
Through You the darkness flees
Through You my heart screams I am free**

(Chorus) **I am free to run (I am free to run)
I am free to dance (I am free to dance)
I am free to live for You (I am free to live for You)
I am free (I am free)
I am free (I am free) *(repeat verse, chorus)***

(Ending) **I am free (I am free)
I am free (I am free)**

+Sending

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!
Thanks be to God. We will!

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