

SERVICE OF CELEBRATION AND GOSPEL RENEWAL

Seventh Sunday of Easter & Ascension Sunday
12 May 2013

Worship Notes

Today we celebrate the Ascension of Christ to His place of glory and power and the right hand of the Father. In many ways, the Ascension and Pentecost (next Sunday) are the completion of the work of the cross and redemption and the Season of Easter. The death of death and the conquering of sin is sealed in the resurrection and finished in the position of authority that Christ has. In addition, we begin a several week series on The Lord's Prayer from Luke 11 focusing on our Father and His hallowed name.

We begin with singing Verse 7 from **Crown Him with Many Crowns** who is enthroned in worlds above. The **Call to Worship** from **Psalm 115** for to His name alone belongs glory. We continue by singing **All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name** and our hymn for May, **Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness**.

The **New Testament Reading** from **Colossians 1** reminds us of the glory of the ascended Christ by whom all things were created and hold together and He is the head of the Church. The **Prayer of Confession** confronts our hearts desire to supplant the rule of Christ by looking to our own interests and acting as if we were equal with God.

Our next hymn, **Psalm 5: Hear My Words**, focuses on the practice of prayer and the desire for the Lord to hear us and bring us into worship. The **Profession from God's Word** from **Psalm 121** reassures us that God, our Father, is our keeper. The **Hymns of Communion** include **Our Father** and **Sing to Jesus**—that talks of the ascension as an example of the exaltation of Christ.

The final hymn, **O Christ, Our Hope**, sings of the work of Christ in the death and resurrection as well as the ascension.

—Greg Wilbur

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

It is God Himself who calls His people to worship. We do not call ourselves, but it is the King who opens His gates and beckons us into his courts.

Prelude

Announcements & Preparation

Introit—Crown Him with Many Crowns, Vs 7

The musical score is written for piano in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Crown Him the Lord of heaven En - throned in worlds a - bove Crown Him the King to Whom is—given The won-drous name of Love Crown Him with man - y crowns As thrones be-fore Him fall Crown Him ye kings with man-y crowns For He is King of all".

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1852; Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1868.

Call to Worship—based on Psalm 115:1-3, 15, 18

Pastor: Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to Your name give glory,

All: For the sake of Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness!

Pastor: Why should the nations say, “Where is their God?”

All: Our God is in the heavens; He does all that He pleases.

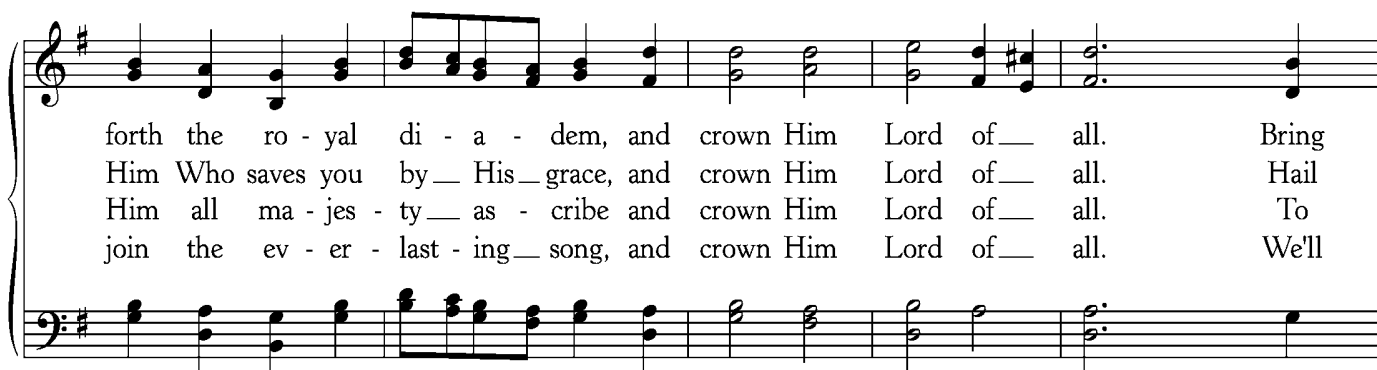
Pastor: May you be blessed by the LORD, who made heaven and earth!

All: We will bless the LORD from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the LORD!

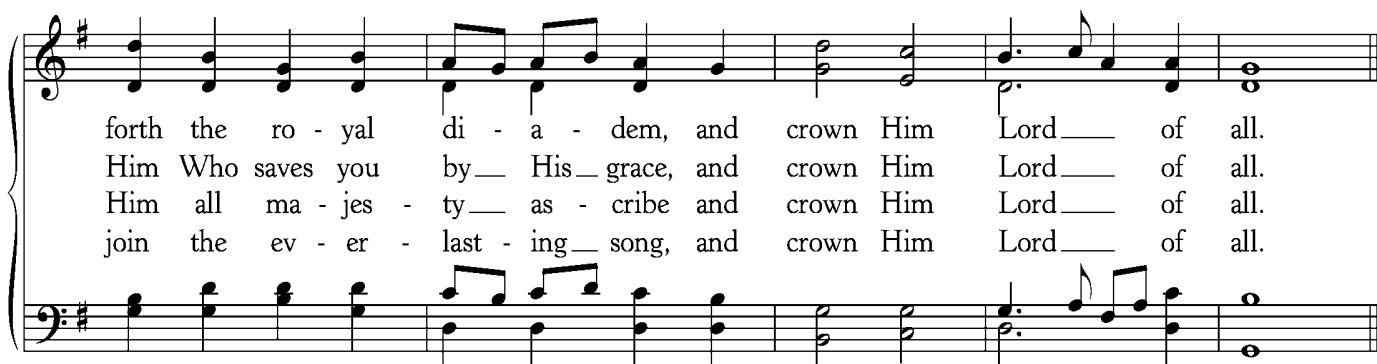
Hymn of Praise—All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name



All hail the power of Je - sus' Name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall; Bring
Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the fall, Hail
Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe, on this ter - res - trial ball, to
O that, with yon - der sa - cred throng, we at His feet may fall, We'll



forth the ro - yal di - a - dem, and crown Him Lord of__ all. Bring
Him Who saves you by__ His__ grace, and crown Him Lord of__ all. Hail
Him all ma - jes - ty__ as - cribe and crown Him Lord of__ all. To
join the ev - er - last - ing__ song, and crown Him Lord of__ all. We'll



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Him all ma - jes - ty__ as - cribe and crown Him Lord__ of all.
join the ev - er - last - ing__ song, and crown Him Lord__ of all.

Text: Edward Perronet, 1779; alt. St. 4 John Rippon, 1787; Music: CORONATION, Oliver Holden, 1793.

May Hymn: Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness



Wor - ship the Lord in the beau - ty of ho - li - ness;
 Low at his feet lay thy bur - den of care - ful - ness,
 Fear not to en - - - ter his courts in the slen - der - ness,
 These, though we bring them in trem - bling and fear - ful - ness,
 Wor - ship the Lord in the beau - ty of ho - li - ness;



bow down be - fore Him, His glo - - ry pro - claim;
 high on his heart he will bear it for thee,
 of the poor wealth thou wouldst reck - on as thine;
 he will ac - cept for the Name that is dear;
 bow down be - fore Him, His glo - - ry pro - claim;



gold of o - be - dience and in - - cense of low - li - ness
 com - fort thy sor - rows, and an - - swer thy prayer - ful - ness,
 truth in its beau - - ty, and love in its ten - der - ness,
 morn - ings of joy give for ev - 'nings of tear - ful - ness,
 gold of o - be - dience and in - - cense of low - li - ness



bring, and a - dore him; the Lord is his Name!
 guid - ing thy steps as may best for thee be.
 these are the off - erings to lay on His shrine.
 trust for our trem - bling, and hope for our fear.
 bring, and a - dore him; the Lord is his Name!

Text: J.S.B. Monsell, 1863; Music: Greyfriars Press, 2013.

(Please be seated)

Sacrament of Baptism

River Nathanael Shenghu Roberts, Son of Brent & Andrea Roberts

“For to you is the promise, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call unto him. Therefore, believe on the Lord Jesus, and you shall be saved, you and your house.” (Acts 2:39; Acts 16:31). For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God. (Romans 8:14-16)

Parental Vows:

1. Do you acknowledge your own, as well as your child’s, need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God’s covenant promises for him, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus—and only to the Lord Jesus—for his salvation, just as you do for your own?
3. Do you now consecrate your child to God; will you in humble reliance upon His sovereign grace set before him a godly example—praying with and for him, teaching him the good hope of the Gospel, opening to him the truth of the Scriptures, and striving by every means of grace God provides, to bring him up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Congregational Vow:

Will you as a covenant community joyously commit to assisting these parents in the Christian nurture of this child?

New Testament Reading—Colossians 1:15-20

The Glory of the Ascended Christ

15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. 16 For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. 17 And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. 18 And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. 19 For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, 20 and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESSION, REPENTANCE, AND RECONCILIATION

The People of God respond to His Word by confessing their sins, repenting of their sinful ways, and seeking God's favor through the reconciling work of Jesus, the Son of God.

Sung Response—Come, O Redeemer, Come



Fa - ther en-throned on high, Ho - ly, Ho - ly: An - cient e - ter - nal light, hear our prayer.
Look now up - on our need, Lord be, with us; heal us and make us free, from our sin.



Come, O Re-deem-er, come, grant us mer-cy. Come, O Re-deem-er, come, grant us peace.

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Corporate Confession of Sin—based on Philippians 2:1-10

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing. Although there is great encouragement in Christ,
comfort in love, participation in the Spirit, and affection and sympathy,
we are not of the same mind,

All: **Neither do we share the same love or act in one accord.**

Pastor: We act in pride—desiring the best for ourselves and wanting others to fail.

All: **We do not act in humility nor consider others more significant than ourselves.**

Pastor: We look to our own interests and ignore the interests of others.

All: **We do not have the mind of Christ Jesus—because we act as if we were equal with God.**

Pastor: We resist acting as a servant, humbling ourselves, and obeying—

All: **Especially to the point of self-sacrifice or death.**

Pastor: But Christ did obey and humble Himself on our behalf, therefore,
God has highly exalted Him and given Him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus our knees will bow along with all in heaven and on earth
and under the earth,

All: **And our tongues will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

Sermon—The Gospel of Luke, Part 47

Learning to Pray: Our Father

—Nate Shurden, Pastor

Profession from God's Word—Psalm 121

The Lord, Our Father, is our keeper.

We lift up our eyes to the hills. From where does our help come?

Our help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved;

he who keeps you will not slumber.

Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on your right hand.

The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in
from this time forth and forevermore.

Sung Response—O Praise the Father

O praise the Fa-ther, Praise the Son, The Lamb for sin - ners giv - en.
And Ho - ly Spir-it, through whom a - lone Our hearts are raised to Heav - en.

The image shows a musical score for a sung response. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The first system contains the lyrics: "O praise the Fa-ther, Praise the Son, The Lamb for sin - ners giv - en." The second system contains the lyrics: "And Ho - ly Spir-it, through whom a - lone Our hearts are raised to Heav - en." The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with a key signature of one flat and a 3/4 time signature.

Text: John Mason, 1683; Music: Gregory Wilbur, 2011.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

God offers to His people the gift of communion with Him through the grace of the sacrament and we respond in thanksgiving.

Words of Institution and the Lord's Table

Having confessed our sins and made a good profession of faith, God's Table is open to all those "faithfully-fenced" members of the covenant community. Please come forward to partake of this means of grace. You may take the bread at the first table and then proceed to either side for the wine/grape juice.

Hymn of Communion—Our Father

Our Fath-er who art in hea - ven, Hal-low-ed be Thy Name. Thy king-dom come
Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heav'n. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. For-give our sins as we for-give those who have sinned a - gainst
us. And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion. De-liv-er us from ev - il.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn of communion. It consists of four systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Our Fath-er who art in hea - ven, Hal-low-ed be Thy Name. Thy king-dom come Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heav'n. Give us this day our dai - ly bread. For-give our sins as we for-give those who have sinned a - gainst us. And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion. De-liv-er us from ev - il." The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style.

Text: Matthew 6 & Luke 11; Music: Greyfriars Press, 2013.

Hymn of Communion—Sing to Jesus

Come and see, look on this mys - ter - y: The Lord of the
Come you wear - y and He will give you rest. Come, you who

u - ni - verse nailed to a tree. Christ our God, spill - ing His
mourn, lay on His breast. Christ who died, ri - sen in

ho - ly blood, bow - ing in an - guish His sa - cred head.
par - a - dise, Giv - er of mer - cy, Giv - er of life.

Sing to Je - sus, Lord of our shame, Lord of our sin - ful hearts
Sing to Je - sus, His is the throne; Now and for - ev - er

He is our great Re - deem - er. Sing to Je - sus, hon - or His name,
He is the King of heav - en. Sing to Je - sus, we are His own.

Sing of His faith - ful - ness, pour - ing His life out un - to death.
Now and for - ev - er sing for the love our God has shown.

Sing to Je sus, Lord of our shame, Lord of our sin - ful hearts He is our great Re -
deem - er. Sing to Je sus, hon - or His name, Sing to Je - sus, His is the throne;
Now and for - ev - er He is the King of heav - en. Sing to Je sus, we are His
own. Now and for - ev - er sing for the love our God has shown.

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND IN GRATEFUL PRAISE

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn of Praise—O Christ, Our Hope

O Christ, our hope, our heart's de - sire, Re - demp-tion's on - ly spring; Cre - a - tor of the
But now the bonds of death are burst, The ran - som has been paid; And thou art on thy
O Christ, be thou our pre - sent joy, Our fu - ture great re - ward; Our on - ly glo - ry

world art thou, Its Sav - iour and its King. How vast the mer - cy and the love Which
Fa - ther's throne In glor - ious robes ar - rayed. O may thy mighty love pre - vail Our
may it be To glo - ry in the Lord! All praise to thee, as - cend - ed Lord; All

laid our sins on thee, And led thee to a cru - el death To set thy peo - ple free.
sin - ful souls to spare, O may we come be - fore thy throne And find ac - ceptance there!
glo - ry ev - er be To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost Through all e - ter - ni - ty!

Text: Latin Hymn, 8th Century, Tr. By John Chandler, 1837; Music: KINGSFOLD, Old English Folk Song

GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT

After calling His people into His presence, forgiving their sins, instructing them in His Word, and providing a foretaste of the marriage supper of the Lamb, God sends His people into the world to show His light in the darkness.

Benediction—Hebrews 12:1-2

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. *Amen.*

Sung Response—Christ Be With Me (*from St. Patrick's Breastplate*)

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Christ be with me, Christ with-in me, Christ be-hind me, Christ be-fore me, Christ be-side me, Christ to win me, Christ to com-fort and re-store me, Christ be-neath me, Christ a-bove me, Christ in qui-et, Christ in dan-ger, Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stran-ger." The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

Text: *Atomring indui niurt tren*, St. Patrick, 372-466, Trans by Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818-95;
Music: ST. PATRICK CLONMACNOISE, Traditional Irish Hymn Melody.

HOME FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Randy Allen, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays 5:30 p.m., Brook's house.

Chuck Emerson, 2nd and 4th Sundays 5:00 p.m., Steffens' house.

Cy Fenton, Sundays after church, Fentons or Hensleys.

Stacy McGuire, Sundays after church, upstairs at Cornerstone.

Greg Wilbur & Matt Michaud, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays at 5:30 p.m., Wilbur's house.

Jim Smith, 2nd and 4th Sundays at 6:00 p.m., Smith's house.

Last week from the story of Martha and Mary we learned there's only one thing necessary—sitting at Jesus' feet and listening to His Word. In keeping with this focus, this week the disciples ask Jesus to teach them on the subject of prayer. *Starting today and continuing for six weeks, we are going to consider together Jesus' teaching on prayer from Luke 11:1-13.*

Understanding the Scripture

- What is the difference between learning *about* prayer and learning *how to* pray, and why is that difference important?
- Explain why the title/name of “Father” is crucial to learning how to pray.
- Why is the hallowing of God essential in our praying?
- Why is the name of God the focus of the first petition? How is the name of God the ultimate object of every petition of prayer?

Applying the Scripture

- How is your prayer life currently?
- As we focus on prayer for the next weeks, how would you like to grow in prayer?
- Take time to share your desire to grow with your spouse, friend, or HFG.
- How did today's teaching assist you in your desire to grow in prayer? Be specific.
- Take time now to pray through the first petition of the Lord's Prayer now and ask your Father for the growth in prayer you desire (Matthew 7:11).

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