

WORSHIP GATHERING

April 19, 2020

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come,

New City opens wide her doors and offers
welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome.

Your Labor is Not in Vain

Isaac Wardell, Paul Zach, and Wendell Kimbrough

Your labor is not in vain
though the ground underneath you is cursed and stained
Your planting and reaping are never the same
But your labor is not in vain.

CHORUS

For I am with you, I am with you.
I am with you, I am with you
For I have called you, called you by name
Your labor is not in vain.

Your labor is not unknown
though the rocks they cry out and the sea it may groan.
The place of your toil may not seem like a home
but your labor is not unknown.

CHORUS

The vineyards you plant will bear fruit
the fields will sing out and rejoice with the truth,
for all that is old will at last be made new:
the vineyards you plant will bear fruit.

CHORUS

The houses you labored to build
will finally with laughter and joy be filled.
The serpent that hurts and destroys shall be killed
and all that is broken be healed.

CHORUS

Call to Worship

Psalm 28

Leader

Blessed be the LORD!

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.
The LORD is my strength and my shield;
in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;
my heart exults,
and with my song I give thanks to him.

Congregation

The LORD is the strength of his people;

he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

Oh, save your people and bless your heritage!

Be their shepherd and carry them forever.

The Lord is My Joy

Nathan Partain

The Lord is my joy, the Lord is my joy
When all that I have is lost, I find the Lord is my joy
The Lord is my strength, the Lord is my strength
When I am too weak to go on, I find the Lord is my strength

CHORUS

My all in all is He, my healing King
My master tends to me, for him my soul shall sing

The Lord is my rock, the Lord is my rock
When all I have faith in fails, I find the Lord is my rock
The Lord is my delight, the Lord is my delight
Above all the joys of life, I find the Lord is my delight

CHORUS 2

My all in all is He, my breath, my song
In Him I have everything, to Him my soul belongs

I wait, and wait upon You to come for me in rescue
Give strength, My heart is failing yet still my lips will praise You (x2)
And with His wings He covers me, He keeps His watch when I'm asleep
I offer all my plans and dreams, I give my savior everything (x2)
And with a sword He guards me, He keeps watch when I'm asleep
He crushes all my enemies, I give my savior everything

CHORUS 3

My all in all is He, my closest friend
I put all my trust in Him, on Him my soul depends

Confession of Sin

Leader

Let us confess our sin together.

Congregation

God of Grace, You love us, but we have often not loved You.

You call, but we have often not listened.

We sometimes walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns.

By our actions and our attitudes we often praise what You condemn.

Help us to admit our sin so that we may delight to come to you for mercy, turn to You, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

*WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US ON YOUR KNEES, OR BOWING
IN YOUR SEAT, FOR PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN.*

Declaration of Pardon

From 1 Corinthians 15

Leader

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. In Christ we are forgiven, free, and restored!

Congregation

In Christ we are forgiven, free, and restored!

All My Ways Are Known to You

Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, Dustin Smith, and Michael Farren

In days of peace and days of rest
In times of loss and loneliness
Though rich or poor, Your word is true
That all my ways are known to You

No trial has come beyond Your hand
No step I walk beyond Your plan
The path is dark outside my view
Still all my ways are known to You

CHORUS

And oh what peace that I have found
Wherever I may be
For all my ways are known to You
Hallelujah, they are known to You!

I do not fear the final night
For death will be the door to life
You take my hand and lead me through
For all my ways are known to You

CHORUS

Open up my eyes so I may see
That You have made these ways for me
Open up my eyes so I may see
That You my God, will walk with me

CHORUS

The Holy Spirit and Prayer

April 19, 2020 | Luke 11:1-13 | Pastor Roger Williams

**We receive “more” of Holy Spirit as we pray
to our true Father,
in the shape of the Kingdom,
with shameless persistence.**

Luke 11 ¹ Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.”

² And he said to them, “When you pray, say:

“Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

³ Give us each day our daily bread,

⁴ and forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us.

And lead us not into temptation.”

⁵ And he said to them, “Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves, ⁶ for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him’; ⁷ and he will answer from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything?’ ⁸ I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. ⁹ And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened.

¹¹ What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; ¹² or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

God often waits to give a blessing until you have prayed for it. Why? Good things that we do not ask for will usually be interrupted by our hearts as the fruit of our own wisdom and diligence. Gifts from God that are not acknowledged as such are deadly to the soul, because they thicken the illusion of self-sufficiency that leads to overconfidence and sets us up for failure...

There are many things that God will not give us unless we honor him and make our hearts safe to receive through prayer...

We can...pray confidently because he won't give us everything we want...

Ask with confidence and hope. Don't be afraid that you will ask for the wrong thing. Of course you will! God [controls] the outcome with his incomprehensible wisdom. Cry, ask, and appeal—you will get many answers. Finally, where you do not get an answer, or where the answer is not what you want, use prayer to enable you to rest in his will...

God always gives us everything we would have asked for if we knew everything he knows.

-Timothy Keller, Prayer, 102-103.

The Lord, My God, My Salvation

Will Duvall

Sing praise for what the Lord has done,
Who freely gave His Son, to be our sacrifice
By His grace greater than all our sin,
I stand no more condemned, washed in the blood of Christ

CHORUS

The Lord, my God, and my salvation, I will call upon His name
The Lord, my God, and my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid,
I will trust and not be afraid

Sing praise and drink from the Well of Life
Drink deeply and without price and never thirst again
For there is rest for the weary soul
And peace that overflows
For all who come to Him

CHORUS

Sing praise and shout for joy in all the earth
As we await the King's return, who is making all things new
In that day every tear will be wiped away
And with one voice we'll say, "All glory be to You!"

CHORUS 2

The Lord, my God, and my salvation
He is my song and my strength
The Lord, my God, and my salvation
I will trust and not be afraid, I will trust and not be afraid

Benediction

Romans 15

Leader

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

Go in peace!