# NORSHIP GATHERING

April 26, 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.

## All I Have Is Christ

by Jordan Kauflin

I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave I had no hope that You would own a rebel to Your will And if You had not loved me first, I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race, indifferent to the cost You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross And I beheld God's love displayed You suffered in my place You bore the wrath reserved for me, now all I know is grace

**CHORUS** 

Hallelujah all I have is Christ Hallelujah Jesus is my life

Now Lord I would be Yours alone and live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands
Could never come from me
O Father use my ransomed life in any way You choose
And let my song forever be my only boast is You

CHORUS X2

# Call to Worship

Psalm 1

Leader
Blessed is the one
who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stands in the way of sinners,
nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
but his delight is in the law of the LORD,
and on his law he meditates day and night.

#### Congregation

He is like a tree
planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not wither.
In all that he does, he prospers.

## Come Alive

Jake Espy and Jason Stocker

Lay down your burdens lay down your pride Rest in the mercy that Jesus provides Come all ye weary broken inside Lay down your burdens lay down your life

#### **CHORUS**

Come and lift your voice
At the throne of grace we come alive
Let the lost rejoice
In Jesus Christ His arms are open wide

#### CHORUS 2

Let these mountains shake
From the sound of voices multiplied
As our souls awake
In Jesus Christ His arms are open wide

In this moment, in Your presence
Overwhelmed by love, we come alive
We cry holy King of Glory
Jesus Christ Your Name be lifted high
CHORUS
CHORUS 2

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## Confession of Sin

#### Congregation

Almighty God, to know You is the fulfillment of our deepest longings and the satisfaction of our strongest desires. Yet foolishly we have sought our pleasures elsewhere. We have often put the seeking of idols, which are bound to leave us feeling empty, above seeking You.

We have failed to love You with our whole heart, soul, and mind. We have failed to love our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us for our sins for the sake of Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

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

## Declaration of Pardon

From Psalm 32

#### Leader

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. I acknowledged my sin to You, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and You forgave the iniquity of my sin. In Christ you are forgiven, free, and restored!

#### Congregation

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# Hymn of the Ages

Chris Llewellyn, Gareth Gilkeson

All history shall bow before your throne
Time and space on bended knee shall come
Though kingdoms pass away, Your majesty remains
How great you are, how great must be Your song

The Alpha and Omega without end
The Everlasting makes this wretch His friend
The angels stand in awe, this beggar heart responds
How great you are, how great must be Your song

#### **CHORUS**

You're the hymn of the ages, the hope of all the world You carried our redemption on Your shoulders You're the anthem of salvation, Jesus, Lord of Lords Your legacy will echo through the ages

Oh, for a countless choir in my lungs
To sing Your praises with a thousand tongues
The purpose in my days is ever to proclaim
How great You are, How great must be Your song
CHORUS

We raise the never-ending song
The greatest song we've ever known
The song of angels, the hymn of ages: Holy is the Lord

We praise the never-ending One
The greatest joy we've ever known
All hail King Jesus, forever glorious, Holy is the Lord
CHORUS

### Willing to Hear: the Shape of Belief

April 26, 2020 | Luke 11:14-28 | Pastor Roger Williams

<sup>14</sup> Now he was casting out a demon that was mute. When the demon had gone out, the mute man spoke, and the people marveled.

Jesus has broken the power of sin and evil in this world.

<sup>15</sup> But some of them said, "He casts out demons by Beelzebul, the prince of demons," <sup>16</sup> while others, to test him, kept seeking from him a sign from heaven. <sup>17</sup> But he, knowing their thoughts, said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and a divided household falls. <sup>18</sup> And if Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? For you say that I cast out demons by Beelzebul. <sup>19</sup> And if I cast out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges. <sup>20</sup> But if it is by the finger of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you. <sup>21</sup> When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are safe; <sup>22</sup> but when one stronger than he attacks him and overcomes him, he takes away his armor in which he trusted and divides his spoil. <sup>23</sup> Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters.

There is always ...and never enough evidence.

<sup>24</sup> "When the unclean spirit has gone out of a person, it passes through waterless places seeking rest, and finding none it says, 'I will return to my house from which I came.' <sup>25</sup> And when it comes, it finds the house swept and put in order. <sup>26</sup> Then it goes and brings seven other spirits more evil than itself, and they enter and dwell there. And the last state of that person is worse than the first."

Unbelief leaves us defenseless and isolated.

<sup>27</sup> As he said these things, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that bore you, and the breasts at which you nursed!" <sup>28</sup> But he said, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

Flourishing comes through another kind of knowing.

## God Is For Us

James Ferguson, James Tealy, Jesse Reeves, Jonny Robinson, Michael Farren, Rich Thompson, and Tiarne Kleyn

We won't fear the battle, we won't fear the night We will walk the valley, with You by our side You will go before us, You will lead the way We have found a refuge, only You can save

#### **CHORUS**

Sing with joy now, our God is for us
The Father's love is a strong and mighty fortress
Raise your voice now, no love is greater
Who can stand against us if our God is for us

Even when I stumble, even when I fall
Even when I turn back, still Your love is sure
You will not abandon, You will not forsake
You will cheer me onward with never ending grace
CHORUS

Neither height nor depth can separate us
Hell and death will not defeat us
He who gave His Son to free us
Holds us in His love (x2)

CHORUS (X2)

## Benediction

from Colossians 3

#### Leader

May the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and encouraging one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Go in peace!