# NORSHIP GATHERING

November 22, 2020

### Welcome

New City Church is a spiritual family defined by the good news that God has taken loving initiative in Jesus Christ to bring salvation to sinners and a sin-marred world. Through Jesus's life, death, and resurrection, the restoration of all things has begun, beginning with those who admit their need and trust his gracious provision. This restoration will eventually reach to the ends of the earth and touch every part of creation.

This is our joyful confession and the life-giving hope of our community.

# Gathering Song

Feel free to join in as you find your seat and prepare for worship

### WOOD AND NAILS

Isaac Wardell, Keith Watts, and Madison Cunningham

O humble carpenter down on your hands and knees Look on your handiwork and build a house So you may dwell in Me, So you may dwell in Me

#### CHORUS

The work was done with nothing but Wood and nails in Your scar-borne hands O show me how to work and praise Trusting that I am Your instrument

O loving laborer with the sweat upon your face
O build a table that I too may join you In the Father's place
Oh in the Father's place

**CHORUS** 

The kingdom's come and built upon
Wood and nails gripped with joyfulness
So send me out within Your ways, Knowing that the task is finished

The dead will rise and give You praise
Wood and nails will not hold them down
These wooden tombs, we'll break them soon
And fashion them into flower beds

The curse is done the battle won,
Swords bent down into plowshares
Your scar-borne hands, we'll join with them
Serving at the table You've prepared

# Call to Worship

#### 1 Peter 2

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<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:

### Congergation

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

#### Leader

- <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.

### Congregation

<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.

### Sola

### Zac Hicks

By Your Word alone
Our eyes have seen
Your salvation;
Through faith alone,
Not by the works of our hands;

By Your grace alone
We're purchased from
Every nation;
Through Christ alone we stand.
To God alone be all the glory!

#### **CHORUS**

Lead us now, O King,
In the worship of Your name;
Make us pure and clean,
Tune our hearts to
Sing Your praise.

Lord, we long to bring
Something worthy of Your fame:
Through Your Word
Accept our praise;
Through Your Word
Accept our praise.

# 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

Eternal Father, You are good beyond all thought, but we are sinful and often blind. Our lips are ready to confess, but our hearts are often slow to feel, and our ways reluctant to change. We bring our souls to you. Break us, expose us, bend us, mold us.

### Congregation

Unmask to us sin's deformity, that we may hate it, abhor it, flee from it. Work in us more profound and abiding repentance; give us the fullness of a godly grief which is ever powerful, and ever confident; grant that our repent-ance will enable us to see more clearly the brightness and glory of the cross of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

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

# Declaration of Pardon

Romans 5:6, 8

### Leader

"For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly [...] But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us."

In Christ you are forgiven, free, and restored!

### Congregation

In Christ, we are forgiven, free, and restored!

# Jesus, Your Mercy

Bob Kauflin, Jordan Kauflin, and Nathan Stiff

Jesus, Your mercy is all my plea
I have no defense, my guilt runs too deep
The best of my works pierced
Your hands and Your feet
Jesus, Your mercy is all my plea

Jesus, Your mercy is all my boast
The goodness I claim, the grounds of my hope
Whatever I lack its still what I need most
Jesus, Your mercy is all my boast

#### **CHORUS**

Praise the king who bore my sin

Took my place when I stood condemned

Oh how good You've always been to me

I will sing of Your mercy

Jesus, Your mercy is all my rest
When fears weigh me down and enemies press
A comfort I cling to in life and in death
Jesus, Your mercy is all my rest
CHORUS

Jesus, Your mercy is all my joy
Forever I'll lift my heart and my voice
To sing of a treasure no pow'r can destroy
Jesus, Your mercy is all my joy
CHORUS

## Confession of Faith

NEW CITY CATECHISM - QUESTION #6 (The underlined portions correspond to the Children's Catechism studied at home this week by New City families.)

Leader How can we glorify God?

Congregation

We glorify God <u>by</u> enjoying him, <u>loving him</u>, trusting him, <u>and by obeying his</u> will, <u>commands</u>, <u>and law</u>.

# Prayer

Sermon

SEE ACCOMPANYING INSERT

### Luke 14

<sup>25</sup> Now great crowds accompanied him, and he turned and said to them, <sup>26</sup> "If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. <sup>27</sup> Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

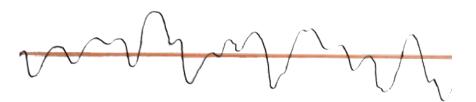
<sup>28</sup> For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? <sup>29</sup> Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, <sup>30</sup> saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.' <sup>31</sup> Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? <sup>32</sup> And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. <sup>33</sup> So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.

<sup>34</sup> "Salt is good, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? <sup>35</sup> It is of no use either for the soil or for the manure pile. It is thrown away. He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

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#### Galatians 2

 $^{20}$  I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.



# The Way of Renunciation

November 22, 2020 | Luke 14:25-35 | Pastor Roger Williams

### I am learning from Jesus how he would lead my life, if he were I.

I am not doing everything Jesus did, but I am learning to do everything I do in the manner he did all that he did. (New City Church Personal Discipleship Vision)

We "learn" Jesus in actively renouncing all we have to a God who gives our life back.

### Radical Renunciation (25-26)

"Hate" his own father, mother...own life

#### Intentional Renunciation (27-33)

Bear his own cross and come after me / count the cost / deliberate

Distinctive Renunciation (34-35)

Salt...if it has lost its taste

Self-denial means knowing only Christ, no longer knowing oneself. It means no longer seeing oneself, only him who is going ahead, no longer seeing the way which is too difficult for us.

Self-denial says only: he is going ahead; hold fast to him.

-Dietrich Bonhoeffer-

### Savior's Here

Kari Jobe & Cody Carnes

You bring hope, You bring life
Awaken hearts, open eyes
With our voices, hear them rise
We call these dry bones to come alive
You are faithful, You are true,
We can always run to...

Love that never fails, Arms that never close Blood that covers sin, Grace that never ends

#### **CHORUS**

You have saved us, You have won
Sin is broken, death is gone
Freedom's found us, grace is here
In Your presence, no more fear
Our Savior's here, Our Savior's here

Faith is stirring, Hearts are free Chains are broken when we believe You are mighty, You come through, We can always run to

Love that never fails, Arms that never close Blood that covers sin, Grace that never ends Love that never fails, Arms that never close Blood that covers sin, Grace that never ends

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Our God Saves CHORUS

# Benediction

2 Corinthians 13

### Leader

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

### **ACTIVE DEACONS & DEACONESSES ("DIACONATE")**

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