

WORSHIP GATHERING

March 14, 2021

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.

Gathering Song

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

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (YOU ARE HOLY LORD)

Lyrics: Reginald Heber, Jon Bauer; Music: John Bacchus Dykes, Jon Bauer

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty
Early in the morning, my song shall rise to Thee
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity

Holy, holy, holy, Though the darkness hide Thee
Though the eye of sinful man, Thy Glory may not see
Only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee
Perfect in power, In love, and purity

CHORUS

You are holy Lord - Worthy of all our praise
You are worthy Lord, we'll honor You all our days

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty
All Thy works shall praise Thy Name, in earth and sky and sea
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity

CHORUS

Call to Worship

Psalm 134

Leader

Come, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord,
who stand by night in the house of the Lord!

Congregation

**Lift up your hands to the holy place
and bless the Lord!**

**May the Lord bless you from Zion,
he who made heaven and earth!**

Your Love O Lord

Tai Anderson, Brad Avery, David Carr, Mark Lee, and Mac Powell

Your love O Lord
Reaches to the heavens
Your faithfulness
Stretches to the sky

Your righteousness
Is like the mighty mountains
Your justice flows
Like the ocean's tide

I will lift my voice
To worship You my King
I will find my strength
In the shadow of Your wings

(repeat all, first time)

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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

Confession of Sin

Leader

Gracious Lord, we confess now that we dishonor You in our words and thoughts and deeds.

Congregation

Depending on our own strength, we stumble; proclaiming our own goodness, we sin; glorying in our own righteousness, we corrupt many things; turning our faces from You, we desire the things of this world to satisfy us.

Father, forgive our sins, cleanse darkness from our lives, and turn our faces and our hearts back towards You. We pray these things in the name of Your most precious Son, our Brother, and 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 Hebrews 12

Leader

“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.”

In Christ you are forgiven, free, and restored!

Congregation

In Christ we are forgiven, free, and restored!

Jesus Is Alive

*James Tealy, Jaywan Maxwell, Jesse Reeves, Michael Farren,
Niki Shepherd, Tiarne Tranter*

There is now a hope that lasts beyond our days
For the One that once was buried lives again
Now the tomb is bare and empty and the stone is rolled away
Praise the Risen One who overcame the grave

All you broken hearted, all you worn and weak
Come find living water, everlasting streams
To the wandering spirit, lost and searching, wanting something more
Find the Risen King who overcomes the world

CHORUS

Let there be dancing in the darkness
And let our song break through the night
Lift your voice and sing that Christ is King, for Jesus is Alive!

No more condemnation, no more doubt and fear
For our sin and shame they have no power here
In His resurrection perfect love has set the captives free
Praise the Risen King who stands in victory

CHORUS X2

Hallelujah, death is undone, Hallelujah, Jesus has won
Hallelujah, we overcome, Oh in Jesus, Oh in Jesus (x3)

CHORUS X2

Lift your voice and sing that Christ is King, for Jesus is Alive!

Confession of Faith

NEW CITY CATECHISM - QUESTION #21

Leader

Why must the Redeemer be truly human?

Congregation

That in human nature he might on our behalf perfectly obey the whole law and suffer the punishment for human sin; and also that he might sympathize with our weaknesses.

(kids version)

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Prayer

Sermon

SEE ACCOMPANYING INSERT

Luke 18:18–30

¹⁸ And a ruler asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁹ And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. ²⁰ You know the commandments: ‘Do not commit adultery, Do not murder, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother.’” ²¹ And he said, “All these I have kept from my youth.” ²² When Jesus heard this, he said to him, “One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.” ²³ But when he heard these things, he became very sad, for he was extremely rich. ²⁴ Jesus, seeing that he had become sad, said, “How difficult it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God.” ²⁶ Those who heard it said, “Then who can be saved?” ²⁷ But he said, “What is impossible with man is possible with God.” ²⁸ And Peter said, “See, we have left our homes and followed you.” ²⁹ And he said to them, “Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or wife or brothers or parents or children, for the sake of the kingdom of God, ³⁰ who will not receive many times more in this time, and in the age to come eternal life.”

Jesus asks for all that we have and promises to eternally satisfy believing sinners.

Salvation Through an Empty Bank Account

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1. Jesus' Encounter with the Rich Young Ruler (vss. 18–23)

a. Jesus' Challenge: Give it all away

Mikeal Parsons “Despite his piety, the ruler is, from the Lukan point of view, an idolater whose possessions have prevented him from keeping the first commandment to have no other gods before Yahweh God (Ex. 20:3). The ruler’s possessions hinder him from experiencing the eternal life he desires. Jesus’ words reveal that he had tried to worship God *and* mammon.”

Tim Keller “When you meet the real Jesus, you’ll find that he wants much more than you ever thought, and he offers far more than you ever dreamed.”

b. Jesus' Invitation: Treasure in heaven

2. Jesus' Instruction and Interaction with the Disciples (vss. 24–30)

a. It is very difficult for the rich to enter the kingdom of God (24)

b. But what is impossible with man is possible with God (27)

c. Those who follow Christ will be blessed now and forever (28–30)

You Are My Vision

Mary Elizabeth Byrne, Eleanor Henrietta Hull, and Rend Collective Experiment

You are my vision O King of my heart
Nothing else satisfies only You Lord
You are my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping Your presence my light

You are my wisdom You are my true word
I ever with You and You with me Lord
You're my great Father and I'm Your true son
You dwell inside me together we're one

You are my battle-shield sword for the fight
You are my dignity You're my delight
You're my soul's shelter and You're my high tower
Come raise me heavenward O Power of my power

I don't want riches or man's empty praise
You're my inheritance now and always
You and You only the first in my heart
High King of heaven my treasure You are

High King of heaven when victory's won
Grant heaven's joys to me O bright heaven's Son
Heart of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my vision O Ruler of all

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Benediction

Psalm 16

Leader

Preserve us, O God, for in you we take refuge. You make known to us the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

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