

WORSHIP SERVICE
September 26, 2021
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

* God's Greeting

* We Greet One Another

* Call to Worship: (from Psalm 92)

It is good to praise the Lord with our voices, to make music to your Holy name.

To proclaim your love in the morning and faithfulness at night

To sing of your greatness and power, your majesty and glory

You make me glad by your deeds, I sing for joy at the work of your hands!

For in your hands are great strength and power.

Great are you Lord and worthy to be praised!

* Opening Song: "How Great is Our God"

Lift Up Your Hearts #574

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice, Let all the earth rejoice

He wraps himself in Light, and darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice, And trembles at His voice

How great is our God, sing with me
How great is our God, and all will see
How great, how great is our God

From age to age He stands, And time is in His hands
Beginning and the end, Beginning and the end

The Godhead Three in One
Father, Spirit, Son
The Lion and the Lamb, The Lion and the Lamb

How great is our God, sing with me
How great is our God, and all will see
How great, how great is our God

Name above all names, Worthy of our praise
My heart will sing, How great is our God

* Opening Prayer

WE ARE RECONCILED TO GOD

Prayer of Confession

Precious, God, you have called us to be a new community in Christ, yet we remain divided. Be our guide across the barriers that divide race from race, rich from poor, Christians from non-believers, men and women, and the young and old. Confront us with our hidden prejudices, fears and misunderstandings. Reconcile us, O Christ and strengthen our common bonds to promote unity among all. We ask this in your precious name. Amen

God's Assurance: (Based on Peter 2:9-10)

People of God you have been called out of darkness into his marvelous light. In Christ you have received God's mercy. You are forgiven and redeemed and made to be a community united in faith.

Thanks be to God for his great mercy!

Song of Response: "You Are My King (Amazing Love)"

I'm forgiven because you were forsaken. I'm accepted; you were condemned.
I'm alive and well, your Spirit is within me because you died and rose again
Amazing love, how can it be that you my King, would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true; In all I do I honor you. (Repeat)

Congregational Prayer

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:1-17

3 Brothers and sisters, I could not address you as people who live by the Spirit but as people who are still worldly—mere infants in Christ. **2** I gave you milk, not solid food, for you were not yet ready for it. Indeed, you are still not ready. **3** You are still worldly. For since there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not worldly? Are you not acting like mere humans? **4** For when one says, "I follow Paul," and another, "I follow Apollos," are you not mere human beings? **5** What, after all, is Apollos? And what is Paul? Only servants, through whom you came to believe—as the Lord has assigned to each his task. **6** I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. **7** So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. **8** The one who plants and the one who waters have one purpose, and they will each be rewarded according to their own labor. **9** For we are co-workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building. **10** By the grace God has given me, I laid a foundation as a wise builder, and someone else is building on it. But each one should build with care. **11** For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ. **12** If anyone builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, **13** their work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each person's work. **14** If what has been built survives, the builder will receive a reward. **15** If it is burned up, the builder will suffer loss but yet will be saved—even though only as one escaping through the flames. **16** Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in your midst? **17** If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person; for God's temple is sacred, and you together are that temple.

Message: "Jesus People: Field Laborers"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Application

* Song of Response: "Lord Make Us Servants"

Lift Up Your Hearts #904 (Verses 1-3)

Lord, make us servants of your peace: where there is hate, may we sow love;
where there is hurt, may we forgive; where there is strife, may we make one.

Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is gloom, may we sow hope;
where all is night, may we sow light; where all is tears, may we sow joy.

Jesus, our Lord, may we not seek to be consoled, but to console,
nor look to understanding hearts, but look for hearts to understand.

WE DEPART TO SERVE

* Blessing

* Closing Song: "Your Grace is Enough"

Lift Up Your Hearts #698

Great is Your faithfulness O God. You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart. You lead us by still waters into mercy. And nothing can keep us apart. So remember Your people remember Your children, remember Your promise O God.

Your grace is enough. Your grace is enough. Your grace is enough for me.

Great is Your love and justice God. You use the weak to lead the strong. You lead us in the song of Your salvation. And all Your people sing along. So remember Your people remember Your children, remember Your promise O God.

Your grace is enough. Your grace is enough. Your grace is enough for me.

Your grace is enough heaven reaching down to us. Your grace is enough for me. God I see Your grace is enough I'm covered in Your love. Your grace is enough for me. For me.

* Postlude

*Please stand if you are able.

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