NORSHIP GATHERING

August 23, 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.

Gathering Song

HE WILL REJOICE

words: Zephaniah 3:17; music: Randall Goodgame

He will rejoice over you with gladness He will quiet you with his love He will rejoice over you with singing

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CHORUS

The Lord God is in your midst The mighty one who saves The Lord God is in your midst The mighty one who saves

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Call to Worship

Psalms 90

Leader

The years of our life are seventy,
or even by reason of strength eighty;
yet their span is but toil and trouble;
they are soon gone, and we fly away.
Who considers the power of your anger,
and your wrath according to the fear of you?

Congregation

So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.

Return, O LORD! How long?

Have pity on your servants!

Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

Leaders

Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us, and for as many years as we have seen evil.

Let your work be shown to your servants, and your glorious power to their children.

Congregation

Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands upon us; yes, establish the work of our hands!

All Things Together

Andrew Peterson

He's the image of the invisible God
The firstborn of creation
By Him, all things were created
In heaven and earth, seen and unseen
Rulers, dominions, and powers and kings

CHORUS

(He holds) all things, all things, all things together He holds all things, all things, all things together

He is the head of the body, the church
The firstborn from the dead
So in everything, He is the head
And the fullness of God was pleased to dwell
In Him to reconcile to Himself
CHORUS

Through Him and for Him, all things remain
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He is above all things, in Him all things hold together
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He made peace, He made peace
He made peace by the blood of His cross
He made peace, He made peace
He made peace by the blood of His cross
CHORUS X2

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

Heavenly Father, we come before You confessing our sins: thoughts that are not like Your thoughts, selfish de-sires and evil passions, and their wicked fruit—cruel words and unjust acts.

Congregation

Keep us from pride and arrogance, and from scornful judgment of others. Keep us from worshipping the blessings that You have given us. Keep us from trusting in anything except Your grace.

Lord, You know our temptations and struggles. Show mercy on us that we may be strengthened each day by Your Holy Spirit, to serve You in the joy of liberty. Amen.

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

Declaration of Pardon

1 Timothy 1:15

Leader

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. In Christ you are forgiven, free, and restored!

Congregation

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

The Solid Rock

Edward Mote and William Batchelder Bradbury

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly lean on Jesus' name

CHORUS

On Christ the solid Rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

When darkness veils His lovely face I rest on His unchanging grace In ev'ry high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
CHORUS

His oath His covenant His blood Support me in the whelming flood When all around my soul gives way He then is all my hope and stay CHORUS

When He shall come with trumpet sound
O may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless to stand before the throne
CHORUS

The Blessing of a Limited Life

August 23, 2020 | Psalm 39 | Pastor Roger Williams

Deep knowledge of our limitation allows for honesty, hope, and freedom.

(To the choirmaster: to Jeduthun. A Psalm of David.)

Psalm 39

¹ I said, "I will guard my ways, that I may not sin with my tongue;

I will guard my mouth with a muzzle, so long as the wicked are in my presence."

²I was mute and silent; I held my peace to no avail, and my distress grew worse.

³ My heart became hot within me.

As I mused, the fire burned; then I spoke with my tongue:

- 4"O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure of my days; let me know how fleeting I am!
- ⁵Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths, and my lifetime is as nothing before you.

Surely all mankind stands as a mere breath! Selah

⁶ Surely a man goes about as a shadow!

Surely for nothing they are in turmoil; man heaps up wealth and does not know who will gather!

- 7"And now, O Lord, for what do I wait? My hope is in you.
- ⁸ Deliver me from all my transgressions.

 Do not make me the scorn of the fool!
- 91 am mute; 1 do not open my mouth, for it is you who have done it.
- Remove your stroke from me;
 I am spent by the hostility of your hand.

"When you discipline a man with rebukes for sin, you consume like a moth what is dear to him; surely all mankind is a mere breath! *Selah*

¹² "Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry; hold not your peace at my tears! For I am a sojourner with you, a guest, like all my fathers. ¹³ Look away from me, that I may smile again, before I depart and am no more!"

1 Timothy 2

¹ First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, ² for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. ³ This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴ who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

1 Thessalonians 4

⁹ Now concerning brotherly love you have no need for anyone to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love one another, ¹⁰ for that indeed is what you are doing to all the brothers throughout Macedonia. But we urge you, brothers, to do this more and more, ¹¹ and to aspire to live quietly, and to mind your own affairs, and to work with your hands, as we instructed you, ¹² so that you may walk properly before outsiders and be dependent on no one.

Philippians 2

⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

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

2 Peter 1

Leader

As you go, may grace and peace be yours in abundance, through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

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