



GRACE
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

Sunday, April 21, 2024

Welcome & Preparation: Tom Ayres

Song of Worship: 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take him at his word;
just to rest upon his promise, and to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!

O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust his cleansing blood;
just in simple faith to plunge me 'neath the healing, cleansing flood!

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease;
just from Jesus simply taking life and rest, and joy and peace.

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!

Prayer of Adoration:

Silent Praise & Thanksgiving:

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 53:4-11

Dianne Henderson

Surely he has borne our griefs
and carried our sorrows;
yet we esteemed him stricken,
smitten by God, and afflicted.
But he was pierced for our transgressions;
he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,
and with his wounds we are healed.
All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have turned—every one—to his own way;
and the LORD has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
yet he opened not his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,
so he opened not his mouth.

By oppression and judgment he was taken away;
and as for his generation, who considered
that he was cut off out of the land of the living,
stricken for the transgression of my people?

And they made his grave with the wicked
and with a rich man in his death,
although he had done no violence,
and there was no deceit in his mouth.

Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him;
he has put him to grief;

when his soul makes an offering for guilt,
he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days;
the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied;
by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant,
make many to be accounted righteous,
and he shall bear their iniquities.

Call to Worship:

From Psalms 102 & 103

Leader: In the beginning you laid the foundations of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like a garment.

All: The children of your servants will live in your presence; their descendants will be established before you.

Leader: We praise you Lord, who crowns us with love and compassion, who satisfies our desires with good things so that our youth is renewed like the eagle's!

All: From everlasting to everlasting your love is with those who fear you, O Lord, and your righteousness to their children's children, with those who keep your covenant, and remember to obey your commandments.

Songs of Worship:

God of Wonders

Lord of all creation,
Of water, earth and sky.
Heavens are Your tabernacle,
Glory to the Lord on high

God of Wonders beyond our galaxy.
You are holy, holy.

The universe declares Your majesty.
You are holy, holy.

Lord of heaven and earth (*echo*)

Lord of heaven and earth (*echo*)

Early in the morning,
I will celebrate the light.
And when I stumble in the darkness,
I will call Your name by night...

God of Wonders beyond our galaxy.
You are holy, holy.
The universe declares Your majesty.
You are holy, holy.
Lord of heaven and earth (*echo*)
Lord of heaven and earth (*echo*)

Hallelujah to the Lord of Heaven and Earth (3x)

God of Wonders beyond our galaxy.
You are holy, holy
Precious Lord, reveal your heart to me
Father hold me, hold me
The universe declares your majesty
You are holy, holy, holy, holy

God of Wonders beyond our galaxy.
You are holy, holy.
The universe declares Your majesty.
You are holy, holy.
Lord of heaven and earth (*echo*)
Lord of heaven and earth (*echo*)
Lord of heaven and earth

Let Us Love And Sing And Wonder

Let us love and sing and wonder, Let us praise the Savior's Name!
He has hushed the law's loud thunder, He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame.

Let us love the Lord Who bought us, Pitied us when enemies,
Called us by His grace, and taught us, Gave us ears and gave us eyes:
He has washed us with His blood (x3),
He presents our souls to God.

Let us sing, though fierce temptation Threaten hard to bear us down!
For the Lord, our strong Salvation, Holds in view the conqueror's crown:
He Who washed us with His blood (x3),
Soon will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder; grace and justice Join and point to mercy's store;
When through grace in Christ our trust is, Justice smiles and asks no more:
He Who washed us with His blood (x3)
Has secured our way to God.

Let us praise, and join the chorus Of the saints enthroned on high;
Here they trusted Him before us, Now their praises fill the sky:
“You have washed us with Your blood (x3);
You are worthy, Lamb of God!”

Revelation Song

Worthy is the
Lamb who was slain
Holy, holy, is He
Sing a new song
To Him who sits on
Heaven's mercy seat

Holy, holy, holy
Is the Lord God Almighty
Who was, and is, and is to come
With all creation I sing
Praise to the King of Kings
You are my everything,
And I will adore You

Clothed in rainbows
Of living color
Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder
Blessing and honor, strength and
Glory and power be
To You the only wise King

Holy, holy, holy
Is the Lord God Almighty
Who was, and is, and is to come
With all creation I sing
Praise to the King of Kings
You are my everything,
And I will adore You

Filled with wonder
Awestruck wonder
At the mention of Your Name

Jesus, Your name is power
Breath, and living water
Such a wondrous mystery

Holy, holy, holy
Is the Lord God Almighty
Who was, and is, and is to come

With all creation I sing
Praise to the King of Kings
You are my everything,
And I will adore You (*Repeat*)

And I will adore You

Children's Dismissal

Announcements: Fill out our [Connection Card](http://www.gracehamptons.org/connect). www.gracehamptons.org/connect

- **No Christianity Explored, Ladies Bible Study, GraceYouth Group, or GraceGroups this week**
- **Sign up for GraceDinners.** Friday, April 26th, 6:30PM. Please RSVP by TODAY, April 21st. Contact Ann Bennett (ann.david.bennett@gmail.com) for more information.
- **Interested in Becoming a Member?** Contact Mark Middlekauff (markm@gracehamptons.org) for more information!
- **Save the Date: GraceCamp 2024.** July 22-26, 6PM-8:30PM for children K-6th grade, \$100/child. For more information, contact Lesley Middlekauff (lesleym@gracehamptons.org).
- **Save the Date: GraceYouth - Urban Ministry Service Trip.** August 3-10, Atlantic City, NJ. For students entering grades 9-12. GraceYouth will be joining with youth from four other churches from New York and New Jersey to serve in an impoverished area of Atlantic City. Please contact Lesley Middlekauff @ lesleym@gracehamptons.org for information and registration details. Space is limited.

Offertory: *To give via text, text the word "GIVE" to [833-892-6212](tel:833-892-6212). First time givers will have to fill out a short form with billing information. After the initial setup, giving is as easy as sending a text message.*

Prayer of Confession:

All: Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.
Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for your goodness' sake, O LORD!
Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.
For your name's sake, O LORD,
pardon my guilt, for it is great.
Turn to me and be gracious to me,
for I am lonely and afflicted.
Relieve the troubles of my heart,
and bring me out of my distress.
Consider my affliction and my trouble,
and forgive all my sins.

Private Confession:

Words of Encouragement: 1 John 2:1-2

My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have one who speaks to the Father in our defense —Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

Prayer of the People: Grayson Jordan

Sermon Text: Philippians 2:5-11

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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. ⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Sermon: *The Mind of Christ*

Abhishikth Babu

The Lord's Supper:

Hymns of Response: **Your Great Name We Praise**

Immortal, invisible God only wise
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes
Most holy, most glorious the ancient of days
Almighty, victorious Your great name we praise

Unresting, unhasting and silent as light
Not wanting or wasting You rule us in might
Your justice like mountains high soaring above
Your clouds which are fountains
Of goodness and love

Most Holy, Most glorious
The Ancient of Days
Almighty, victorious
Your great name we praise

All life comes from You Lord to both great and small
In all life you live Lord, the true life of all
We blossom and flourish, but quickly grow frail
We wither and perish, but You never fail.

Most Holy, Most glorious
The Ancient of Days
Almighty, victorious
Your great name we praise

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light
Your angels adore you all veiling their sight
All praise we will render oh Father of grace
Till one day in splendor we see face to face.

Most Holy, Most glorious
The Ancient of Days
Almighty, victorious
Your great name we praise (*Repeat*)

Benediction: 2 Corinthians 13:14

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

Dismissal:

Minister: Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

All: Hallelujah, Amen!

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