Pre-Service Song

How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.

Chorus

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in; That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation, And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration, And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!

Stuart K. Hine (1899-1989)

Call To Worship

We confess the supremacy of God in Christ through both responsive reading and song.

Our Spoken Call to Worship

Psalms 24:1-4 (NRS)

The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it;

For he has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers.

Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place?

Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false, and do not swear deceitfully.

Let us praise the LORD!

Our Sung Call to Worship Indescribable

Verse 1

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea, Creation's revealing Your majesty. From the colors of Fall to the fragrance of Spring. Every creature unique in the song that it sings. All exclaiming: (Chorus)

Chorus

Indescribable, uncontainable; You placed the stars in the sky, and You know them by name. You are amazing God; All powerful, untamable; Awestruck, we fall to our knees as we humbly proclaim You are amazing, God.

Verse 2

Who has told every lightning bolt where it should go, Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow? Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light, Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night? None can fathom. (Chorus)

Tag 1 You are amazing God. (Chorus)

Final Chorus
Indescribable, uncontainable,
You placed the stars in the sky,

and You know them by name. You are amazing, God; Incomparable, unchangeable; You see the depths of my heart and You love me the same.

You are amazing God.

Tag 2

You are amazing God.

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Confession

We confess our need for mercy through both responsive reading and song.

Our Spoken Confession

From Confessions of Sin and Assurances of Pardon by Bobby G. Griffith Jr.

God forgives and heals us.

We need Your healing, merciful God.
Give us true repentance.
Some sins are plain to us, some escape us, some we cannot face.

Forgive us. Set us free to hear Your Word to us. Set us free to serve You.

Have Mercy, O God, and forgive ours sin.

Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ.

Time of silent confession.

Assurance and Peace

We profess our assurance of salvation and peace in Christ through both responsive reading and song.

Remember the Gospel Based on Ephesians 1:7-10

By faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Christ died for our sins.

He made a full atonement for us.

By grace, we are forgiven and we have the promise of eternal life.

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace. For in him is the fountain of life.

Our Sung Profession of Assurance I Am Ashamed (Distribution Song)

Verse 1
I used to nurture bitterness,
To count up every slight.
The world's a moral wilderness,
And I have felt its blight.
Self-pity ruled, resentment reigned,
No one understood my pain.
I spiraled down in murky night,
Insisting that I had the right
To hate and hate again.
I am ashamed, ashamed. O, my Lord, forgive.

Verse 2

But then the gospel taught me how
To contemplate the cross.
For there Christ died for me and now
I've glimpsed the bitter cost.
He bore abuse and blows and hate.
He did not retaliate.
Triumphant malice sneered and tossed
Blind rage at Him; He never lost
The love that conquers hate.
I am ashamed, ashamed. O, my Lord, forgive.
I am ashamed, ashamed. O, my Lord, forgive.

Verse 3

To make no threat, to smile, forgive,
To love and not because I must;
For Jesus showed me how to live
And trust the One who's just.
To suffer wrong and feel the pain,
Certain that the loss is gain.
Oh God, I want so much to trust,
To follow Jesus on the cross:
To love and love again, to love and love again.
I am ashamed, ashamed. O, my Lord, forgive.

I am ashamed, ashamed. O, my Lord, forgive.

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Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Glorious Day

Verse 1

One day when Heaven was filled with His praises,
One day when sin was as black as could be,
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin,
Dwelt among men, my example is He.
The Word became flesh and the light shined among us,
His glory revealed. (Chorus)

Chorus

Living, He loved me, dying, He saved me Buried, He carried my sins far away. Rising, He justified freely forever. One day He's coming, Oh glorious day, oh glorious day.

Verse 2

One day they led Him up Calvary's mountain.
One day they nailed Him to die on a tree.
Suffering anguish, despised and rejected,
Bearing our sins my Redeemer is He.
The hands that healed nations stretched out on a tree
And took the nails for me. (Chorus)

Verse 3

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer,
One day the stone rolled away from the door.
Then He arose over death He had conquered.
Now is ascended, my Lord evermore
Death could not hold Him,
The grave could not keep Him From rising again. (Chorus)

Bridge

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming, One day the skies with His glories will shine. Wonderful day my Beloved One bringing. My Savior Jesus is mine. (Chorus)

Ending after Chorus
O glorious day, glorious day.
O glorious day!

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Thanksgiving and Petition

We Give Thanks in Prayer and Offer Petitions to God

We express our gratitude to God our Father for Christ's work on the cross for us and bring our requests before him. In bringing our requests, we confess that we believe God truly is a good father, who cares about our needs and gives us what he knows is best.

We Give Thanks by Giving

We give financial offerings to support the work of the church because of our gratitude to God. By giving we confess we are trusting in God's provision for us as well.

On the first Sunday of each month we have a Mission Moment to highlight the different missions giving opportunities we have at Grand. Members are encouraged to give to GABC Missions to support these missions.

You may give electronically at gabcames.org/giving/ or place your offering in the boxes at the back of the sanctuary or send a check in the mail.

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 41:21-42:17

²¹ "Submit your case," says the LORD. "Present your arguments," says Jacob's King.

²² "Let them come and tell us what will happen.

Tell us the past events, so that we may reflect on them

and know the outcome, or tell us the future.

23 Tell us the coming events, then we will know that you are gods. Indeed, do something good or bad, then we will be in awe when we see it.

24 Look, you are nothing and your work is worthless.

Anyone who chooses you is detestable.
²⁵ "I have stirred up one from the north, and he has come,

one from the east who invokes my name. He will march over rulers as if they were mud, like a potter who

²⁶ Who told about this from the beginning, so that we might know, and from times past, so that we might say, 'He is right'? No one announced it, no one told it, no one heard your words. ²⁷ I was the first to say to Zion, 'Look! Here they are!'

And I gave Jerusalem a herald with good news.

28 When I look, there is no one; there is no counselor among them; when I ask them, they have nothing to

say. ²⁹ Look, all of them are a delusion; their works are nonexistent; their images are wind and emptiness.

^{42:1} "This is my servant; I strengthen him, this is my chosen one; I delight in him. I have put my Spirit on him; he will bring justice to the nations.

²He will not cry out or shout or make his voice heard in the streets.

³ He will not break a bruised reed, and he will not put out a smoldering wick; he will faithfully bring justice.

⁴ He will not grow weak or be discouraged until he has established justice on earth. The coasts and islands will wait for his instruction."

⁵ This is what God, the LORD, says—

who created the heavens and stretched them out.

who spread out the earth and what comes from it.

who gives breath to the people on it

and spirit to those who walk on it-

⁶ "I am the LORD. I have called you for a righteous purpose,

and I will hold you by your hand.

I will watch over you, and I will appoint you to be a covenant for the people and a light to the nations, ⁷ in order to open blind eyes, to bring out prisoners from the dungeon, and those sitting in darkness from the prison house.

⁸ I am the LORD. That is my name, and I will not give my glory to another or my praise to idols.

⁹ The past events have indeed happened.

Now I declare new events; I announce them to you before they occur."

¹⁰ Sing a new song to the LORD; sing his praise from the ends of the earth, you who go down to the sea with all that fills it, you coasts and islands with your inhabitants.

Let the desert and its cities shout, the settlements where Kedar dwells cry aloud. Let the inhabitants of Sela sing for joy; let them cry out from the mountaintops.

12 Let them give glory to the LORD and declare his praise in the coasts and islands.

¹³ The LORD advances like a warrior; he stirs up his zeal like a soldier. He shouts, he roars aloud, he prevails over his enemies.

14 "I have kept silent from ages past; I have been quiet and restrained myself. But now, I will groan

like a woman in labor, gasping breathlessly.

¹⁵ I will lay waste mountains and hills and dry up all their vegetation. I will turn rivers into islands and dry up marshes.

16 I will lead the blind by a way they did not know;

I will guide them on paths they have not known.

I will turn darkness to light in front of them

and rough places into level ground.

This is what I will do for them, and I will not abandon them.

¹⁷ They will be turned back and utterly ashamed those who trust in an idol and say to a cast image, 'You are our gods!'

This is the word of the Lord.

The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord endures forever.

Isaiah 41:21-42:17 - This is My Servant! - Pastor Eric Schumacher

Sermon Discipleship Questions

- 1. What encouraged you?
- 2. What convicted you?
- 3. Is there anything in your life that needs to change?

Sending

Having heard and confessed the Gospel, we are sent into the world on mission in Christ, which we express in both song and spoken word.

Sending Song By Faith

Verse 1

By faith we see the hand of God In the light of creation's grand design, In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness, Who walk by faith and not by sight.

Verse 2

By faith our fathers roamed the earth With the pow'r of His promise in their hearts. Of a holy city built by God's own hand, A place where peace and justice reign. (Chorus)

Chorus

We will stand as children of the promise; We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward. Till the race is finished and the work is done, We'll walk by faith and not by sight.

Verse 3

By faith the prophets saw a day When the longed for Messiah would appear With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death And rise triumphant from the grave. (Chorus)

Verse 4
By faith the church was called to go
In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In ev'ry corner of the earth. (Chorus)

Verse 5
By faith this mountain shall be moved
And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail,
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His name. (Chorus 2 X's)

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Blessing

Isaiah 42:6

The Lord says, "I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you and make you a light to the nations."

By grace through faith, we go in God's strength to be a light to the nations for the glory of his name!

Scripture passage for next Sunday: Isaiah 42:18-43:21