

## **Pre-Service Song**

### **Be Thou My Vision**

Verse 1

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art:  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Verse 2

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord:  
Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son,  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Verse 3

Be Thou my battle Shield, Sword for the fight;  
Be Thou my Dignity, Thou my Delight;  
Thou my soul's Shelter, Thou my high Tow'r:  
Raise Thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Verse 4

High King of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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## **Call To Worship**

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

### **Our Spoken Call to Worship**

*Isaiah 44:23 (NIV)*

"Sing for joy, you heavens, for the LORD has done this;  
shout aloud, you earth beneath.  
Burst into song, you mountains, you forests and all your trees,  
for the LORD has redeemed you."

What gives us reason to worship?

**We sing for joy because of who God is  
and because of His grace towards us.**

**We shout aloud because he is the Maker of all things.  
He has created us and redeemed us to praise his name.**

### **Our Sung Call to Worship**

#### **All Creatures of Our God and King**

Verse 1

All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam!  
(Men) O praise Him, (Women) O praise Him!  
(Men) Alleluia! (Women) Alleluia! (All) Alleluia!

Verse 2

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,  
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,  
Ye lights of evening, find a voice!  
(Men) O praise Him, (Women) O praise Him!  
(Men) Alleluia! (Women) Alleluia! (All) Alleluia!

Verse 3

And all ye men of tender heart,  
Forgiving others, take your part,  
O sing ye! Alleluia!  
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,  
Praise God and on Him cast your care!  
(Men) O praise Him, (Women) O praise Him!  
(Men) Alleluia! (Women) Alleluia! (All) Alleluia!

Verse 4

Let all things their Creator bless,  
And worship Him in humbleness,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!  
(Men) O praise Him, (Women) O praise Him!  
(Men) Alleluia! (Women) Alleluia! (All) Alleluia!

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**Confession**

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

**Our Spoken Confessio**

*Based on Isaiah 44, Ezekiel 36:26*

We seek to worship you, but we are still in sin.  
We seek to honor your name,  
but who are we that we can do such a thing?

We have made idols in our lives and put other things before You.  
We have chosen to treasure worthless things of this world  
and worship them in our hearts.

**Lord God, give us a new heart and put a new spirit in us.  
Remove from us our hearts of stone and give us a heart of flesh  
so that we may be pleasing in your sight and glorify your name.**

*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**

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This is the good news that we have received,

in which we stand,  
and by which we are saved:  
Christ died for our sins, was buried,  
and was raised on the third day.

Jesus Christ is the hope of God's world.

**In his death, the justice of God is established,  
forgiveness of sin is proclaimed.**

**On the day of his resurrection,  
the tomb was empty,  
death was defeated,  
and new life had come.**

**On the day of his resurrection,  
God's purpose for the world was sealed.**

**Our Sung Profession of Assurance  
It Is Well With My Soul (Distribution Song)**

Verse 1

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,  
When sorrows like sea billows roll;  
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,  
It is well, it is well with my soul.  
It is well, (it is well) with my soul (with my soul)  
It is well, it is well, with my soul.

Verse 2

Tho' Satan should buffet, tho' trials should come,  
Let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,  
And hath shed His own blood for my soul.  
It is well, (it is well) with my soul (with my soul)  
It is well, it is well, with my soul.

Verse 3

My sin oh, the bliss of this glorious tho't:  
My sin not in part, but the whole  
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more,  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
It is well, (it is well) with my soul (with my soul)  
It is well, it is well, with my soul.

Verse 4

And, Lord, haste the day when faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,  
"Even so," it is well with my soul.  
It is well, (it is well) with my soul (with my soul)  
It is well, it is well, with my soul.

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**Celebration of the Lord's Supper**

## **Thank You Jesus For the Blood**

### Verse 1

I was a wretch; I remember who I was.  
I was lost, I was blind, I was running out of time.  
Sin separated, the breach was far too wide,  
But from the far side of the chasm,  
You held me in your sight.

### Verse 2

So you made a way across the great divide,  
Left behind heaven's throne to build it here inside.  
There at the cross, You paid the debt I owed.  
Broke my chains, freed my soul,  
For the first time, I had hope. (Chorus)

### Chorus

**Thank You, Jesus, for the blood applied.  
Thank You, Jesus, it has washed me white.  
Thank You, Jesus, You have saved my life,  
Brought me from the darkness into glorious light.**

### Verse 3

You took my place, laid inside my tomb of sin.  
You were buried for three days,  
but then You walked right out again.  
And now death has no sting, and life has no end.  
For I have been transformed by the blood of the Lamb. (Chorus)

### Bridge

There is nothing stronger, than  
the wonder working power of the blood,  
the blood that calls us sons and daughters.  
We are ransomed by our Father through the blood, the blood. (Chorus)

### Ending

Glory to His name,  
Glory to His name!  
There to my heart was the blood applied;  
Glory to His name.

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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 [gabcame.org/giving/](http://gabcame.org/giving/) or place your offering in the boxes at the back of the sanctuary or send a check in the mail.*

### **Scripture Reading**

Philippians 3:7-11 NASB<sup>7</sup> But whatever things were gain to me, those things I have counted as loss for the sake of Christ. <sup>8</sup> More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish so that I may gain Christ, <sup>9</sup> and may be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own derived from *the* Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which *comes* from God on the basis of faith, <sup>10</sup> that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; <sup>11</sup> in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.

This is the word of the Lord.

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

### **Sermon**

**Philippians 3:7-11 – God’s Global Gospel – Tim Lubinus**

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**

#### **A Mighty Fortress**

Verse 1

A mighty fortress is our God,  
A bulwark never failing.  
Our helper He amidst the flood  
Of mortal ills prevailing.  
For still our ancient foe  
Doth seek to work us woe.  
His craft and pow’r are great  
And, armed with cruel hate—  
On earth is not His equal.

Verse 2

Did we in our own strength confide  
Our striving would be losing,  
Were not the right Man on our side,  
The Man of God’s own choosing.  
Dost ask who that may be?  
Christ Jesus, it is He!  
The Lord of Hosts, His name!  
From age to age the same!  
And He must win the battle!

Verse 3

And though this world with devils filled  
Should threaten to undo us,  
We will not fear for God hath willed  
His truth to triumph through us.  
The Prince of Darkness grim,  
We tremble not for him!  
His rage we can endure  
For lo, his doom is sure—  
One little word shall fell him!

Verse 4

That word above all earthly pow'rs,  
No thanks to them, abideth!  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours  
Through Him who with us sideth!  
Let goods and kindred go,  
This mortal life also.  
The body they may kill—  
God's truth abideth still!  
His kingdom is forever!

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### **Blessing**

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Go in the authority of Jesus the Messiah to make disciples of all nations!  
And be strengthened in the task by the Risen King, who is with you always, even to the very end.

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