

Pre-service Song

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In the shadows, You are with me.
And you know my every fear.
In the shadows, none can harm me.
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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

Adapted from the writings of James Smith; Hebrews 8:10

The Lord declares, "I will be their God,
and they shall be my people!"

If the Lord is your God, then all of His glorious attributes and perfections are employed for your eternal welfare!

**His mercy will supply all of our needs.
His power will conquer all of our foes.
His wisdom will direct all of our ways.
His faithfulness will answer all of our prayers.
His justice will maintain our cause.
His infinite love and mercy will be displayed
in all of his gracious dealings with us.**

If the Lord is our God,
then his promises are our heritage,
his precepts are our rule,
his doctrines are our present paradise!

**His Son is our Savior and King,
his Spirit is our Sanctifier and Teacher
and God himself is our everlasting portion.**

If the Lord is our God, then he will freely confer all good things on us at present and crown us at last with eternal glory.

**To have the Lord for our God
is the highest blessedness and honor in the universe!
How blessed are the people
who have the Lord as their God!**

Our Sung Call to Worship

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Verse 1

Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark! How the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own:
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.

Verse 2

Crown Him the Lord of love;
Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight
But downward bends his burning eye
At mysteries so bright.

Verse 3

Crown Him the Lord of life,
Who triumphed o'er the grave,
And rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save;
His glories now we sing
Who died, and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die.

Verse 4

Crown Him the Lord of lords,
The Sovereign Lord of time,
Creator of the earth and heav'n,
Yet I can call Him mine!
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For Thou hast died for me:
Thy praise and glory shall not fail
Throughout eternity!

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Confession

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

Our Spoken Confession

**Lord, you are our God—
yet we try and meet our own needs;
we spurn your mercy;
we ignore your power and fight our enemies in our own strength;
we fail to pray and consult you in matters large or small;
we execute our own judgment rather than yours;
we forget your promises, precepts, and doctrines.**

**Lord, you are our God—
yet we live our lives as though
we are separated from you.**

Forgive us, Lord, we pray.

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

From Charles Spurgeon The Blood of the Everlasting Covenant

Because the Lord is our God,
he gives us his only begotten and well-beloved Son.

By the Son, we shall be washed from sin;
preserved and kept and led by him;
and at last, presented before God's throne
without spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing.

**Because the Lord is our God,
we are found in Christ,
and are forever objects of his eternal love!**

**Through the merits of his blood,
we will be forgiven,
perfected in his righteousness,
and adopted as his sons and daughters
reigning with him forever!**

Our Sung Profession of Assurance

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Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

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What gift of grace is Jesus my Redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his.
Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

Verse 2

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side, the Savior he will stay.
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need, his power is displayed.
To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me;
Through the deepest valley he will lead.
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

Verse 3

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven;
The future sure, the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And he was raised to overthrow the grave.
To this I hold: my sin has been defeated

Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released, I can sing I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

Verse 4

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home.
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne.
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus!
All the glory evermore to him!
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

Song Ending

When the race is complete,
Still my lips shall repeat:
Yet not I, but through Christ in me
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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 gabccames.org/giving/ or place your offering in the boxes at the back of the sanctuary or send a check in the mail.

Scripture Reading

Matthew 1:1-17 (CSB)

¹An account of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham:

²Abraham fathered Isaac,
Isaac fathered Jacob,

Jacob fathered Judah and his brothers,

³Judah fathered Perez and Zerah by Tamar,

Perez fathered Hezron,

Hezron fathered Aram,

⁴Aram fathered Amminadab,

Amminadab fathered Nahshon,

Nahshon fathered Salmon,

⁵Salmon fathered Boaz by Rahab,

Boaz fathered Obed by Ruth,

Obed fathered Jesse,

⁶and Jesse fathered King David.

David fathered Solomon by Uriah's wife,
⁷ Solomon fathered Rehoboam,
Rehoboam fathered Abijah,
Abijah fathered Asa,
⁸ Asa fathered Jehoshaphat,
Jehoshaphat fathered Joram,
Joram fathered Uzziah,
⁹ Uzziah fathered Jotham,
Jotham fathered Ahaz,
Ahaz fathered Hezekiah,
¹⁰ Hezekiah fathered Manasseh,
Manasseh fathered Amon,
Amon fathered Josiah,
¹¹ and Josiah fathered Jeconiah and his brothers
at the time of the exile to Babylon.

¹² After the exile to Babylon
Jeconiah fathered Shealtiel,
Shealtiel fathered Zerubbabel,

¹³ Zerubbabel fathered Abiud,
Abiud fathered Eliakim,
Eliakim fathered Azor,

¹⁴ Azor fathered Zadok,
Zadok fathered Achim,
Achim fathered Eliud,

¹⁵ Eliud fathered Eleazar,
Eleazar fathered Matthan,
Matthan fathered Jacob,

¹⁶ and Jacob fathered Joseph the husband of Mary,
who gave birth to Jesus who is called the Messiah.

¹⁷ So all the generations from Abraham to David were fourteen generations; and from David until the exile to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the exile to Babylon until the Messiah, fourteen generations.

This is the word of the Lord.

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

Sermon

Matthew 1:1-17 – A Legacy of Grace - Pastor Michael Felkins

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

Joy to the World

Verse 1

Joy to the world! The Lord is come;
Let earth receive her King;
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

Verse 2

Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns;
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

Verse 3

No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.

Verse 4

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders of His love

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Blessing

The Lord is our God!

Therefore, let us draw near to him this week in faith,
 seeking to know him better,
 follow him closer,
 and be his hands and feet to the world around us.

May it be, Lord. May it be.

Scripture text for next Sunday: Matthew 1:18-25