

Pre-service Song

My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who bore my pain;
Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace and gave me life again;
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness and clothed me in His light,
And wrote His law of righteousness with pow'r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who walks beside;
Who floods my weaknesses and strengths and causes fear to fly;
Whose ev'ry promise is enough for ev'ry step I take,
Sustaining me with arms of love and crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who reigns above;
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace, whose ev'ry thought is love;
For ev'ry day I have on earth is given by the King.
So I will give my life, my all to love and follow Him.

For ev'ry day I have on earth is given by the King.
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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

Psalm 147:1-5, 7, 10-12 (CSB)

Hallelujah!
How good it is to sing to our God,
for praise is pleasant and lovely.

**The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem;
he gathers Israel's exiled people.
He heals the brokenhearted
and bandages their wounds.**

Our Lord is great, vast in power;
his understanding is infinite.
The Lord helps the oppressed
but brings the wicked to the ground.

**He is not impressed by the strength of a horse;
he does not value the power of a warrior.
The Lord values those who fear him,
those who put their hope in his faithful love.**

Exalt the Lord, Jerusalem;
praise your God, Zion!
Hallelujah!

Our Sung Call to Worship

Rejoice the Lord is King

Rejoice, the Lord is King!

Your Lord and King adore;

Rejoice, give thanks and sing,

And triumph evermore;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus, the Savior, reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When He had purged our stains
He took His seat above;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail,
He rules o'er earth and heav'n,
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus giv'n;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope!
Our Lord the Judge shall come,
And take His servants up,
To their eternal home.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice,
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

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Confession

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

Our Spoken Confession

Psalm 130 (CSB)

Out of the depths I call to you, Lord!
**Lord, listen to my voice;
let your ears be attentive
to my cry for help.**

Lord, if you kept an account of iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
**But with you there is forgiveness,
so that you may be revered.**

I wait for the Lord; I wait
and put my hope in his word.
**I wait for the Lord
more than watchmen for the morning—
more than watchmen for the morning.**

Israel, put your hope in the Lord.
For there is faithful love with the Lord,
and with him is redemption in abundance.
And he will redeem Israel
from all its iniquities.

**Thank you, Father, for forgiving our sins
through your Son, Jesus our Lord.**

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

Romans 5:1, 8-11 (CSB)

Remember the Gospel!

Since we have been justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

God proves his own love for us
in that while we were still sinners,
Christ died for us.

How much more then,
since we have now been justified by his blood,
will we be saved through him from wrath.

For if, while we were enemies,
we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son,
then how much more, having been reconciled,
will we be saved by his life.

And not only that, but we also boast in God
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
through whom we have now received this reconciliation.

Our Sung Profession of Assurance

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Come, Thou long expected Jesus,
Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us;
Let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth Thou art;
Dear desire of ev'ry nation,
Joy of ev'ry longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver,
Born a child, and yet a King,
Born to reign in us forever,
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all-sufficient merit,
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

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All Sufficient Merit

All sufficient merit shining like the sun.
A fortune I inherit, by no work I have done.
My righteousness I forfeit at my Savior's cross,

where all sufficient merit did what I could not.

In love He condescended, eternal now in time.
A life without a blemish, the Maker made to die.
The law could never save us, our lawlessness had won
until the pure and spotless Lamb had finally come.

Chorus

**It is done, it is finished, no more debt I owe.
Paid in full, all sufficient merit now my own.**

I lay down my garments, any empty boasts.
Good works all corrupted by the sinful host.
I'm dressed in my Lord Jesus, a crimson robe made white.
No more fear of judgment, His righteousness is mine. (Chorus 2 X's)

All sufficient merit, firm in life and death.
The joy of my salvation shall be my final breath.
And when I stand accepted before the throne of God
I'll gaze upon my Jesus and thank Him for the cross.
Yes, I'll thank Him for the cross. (Chorus 2 X's)

Oh, Your merit now my own.
Oh, Your merit now my own.

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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

Matthew 9:9-17 (CSB)

⁹ As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax office, and he said to him, "Follow me," and he got up and followed him.

¹⁰ While he was reclining at the table in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came to eat with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹ When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

¹² Now when he heard this, he said, "It is not those who are well who need a doctor, but those who are sick. ¹³ Go and learn what this means:

I desire mercy and not sacrifice. For I didn't come to call the righteous, but sinners."

¹⁴ Then John's disciples came to him, saying, "Why do we and the Pharisees fast often, but your

disciples do not fast?"

¹⁵ Jesus said to them, "Can the wedding guests be sad while the groom is with them? The time will come when the groom will be taken away from them, and then they will fast. ¹⁶ No one patches an old garment with unshrunk cloth, because the patch pulls away from the garment and makes the tear worse. ¹⁷ And no one puts new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the skins burst, the wine spills out, and the skins are ruined. No, they put new wine into fresh wineskins, and both are preserved."

This is the word of the Lord.

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

Sermon

Matthew 9:9-17 (CSB) – Jesus, Friend of Sinners – 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

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Chorus

We will feast in the house of Zion.

We will sing with our hearts restored.

"He has done great things,"

We will say together.

We will feast and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire,
He is the Lord our God.
We are not consumed by the flood
Upheld, protected, gathered up. (Chorus)

In the dark of night before the dawn,
My soul be not afraid.
For the promised morning, o how long!
O God of Jacob be my strength. (Chorus)

Every vow we've broken and betrayed
You are the faithful one.
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together, bring shalom. (Chorus 2 X's)

We will feast and weep no more.

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Blessing

Romans 15:13 (CSB)

Now may the God of hope fill you
with all joy and peace as you believe

so that you may overflow with hope
by the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Scripture text for next Sunday: Matthew 9:18-26