

Pre-service Song

How Great is the Greatness of God

Chorus:

How faithful the Father above.

How wondrous the work of the Son.

How sweet is the Spirit given to us.

How great is the greatness of God.

Morning by morning with ev'ry dawn
My soul with a new song awakes.
Even in evening my praise goes on.
Forever my God is the same. (Chorus)

When my heart gazes on Calvary,
At all of Your mercies arrayed,
Oh, that my Savior would die for me,
I sing out with infinite thanks. (Chorus)

Oh, what a comfort in ev'ry trial;
His presence is all that I need.
Power that brought resurrection life,
That power is living in me.
That power is living in me.

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How wondrous the work of the Son.

How sweet is the Spirit given to us.

How great is the greatness of God. (Repeat)

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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

Revelation 7:10, 12; 15:3-4 (ESV)

Salvation belongs to our God
who sits on the throne,
and to the Lamb!

**Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever!**

Great and amazing are your deeds,
O Lord God the Almighty!

**Just and true are your ways,
O King of the nations!**

Who will not fear, O Lord,

and glorify your name?
For you alone are holy.

**All nations will come and worship you,
for your righteous acts have been revealed.**

Our Sung Call to Worship

Only a Holy God

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven?
Who else could make ev'ry king bow down?
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles?
Only a Holy God.

What other beauty demands such praises?
What other splendor outshines the sun?
What other majesty rules with justice?
Only a Holy God.

Come and behold Him, the One and the Only.
Cry out, sing holy, forever a Holy God.
Come and worship the Holy God.

What other glory consumes like fire?
What other power can raise the dead?
What other name remains undefeated?
Only a Holy God.

Come and behold Him, the One and the Only.
Cry out, sing holy, forever a Holy God.
Come and worship the Holy God.

Who else could rescue me from my failing?
Who else would offer His only Son?
Who else invites me to call Him Father?
Only a Holy God. Only my Holy God.

Come and behold Him, the One and the Only.
Cry out, sing holy, forever a Holy God.
Come and worship the Holy God.

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Music

Confession

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

Our Spoken Confession

Psalm 130 (ESV)

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!
O Lord, hear my voice!

**Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleas for mercy!**

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,
O Lord, who could stand?

**But with you there is forgiveness,
that you may be feared.**

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;
**my soul waits for the Lord
more than watchmen for the morning,
more than watchmen for the morning.**

O Israel, hope in the LORD!
For with the LORD there is steadfast love,
and with him is plentiful redemption.
**And he will redeem Israel
from all his iniquities.**

Time of silent confession.

Our Sung Confession

How Long, O Lord, How Long? (Psalm 13)

O Lord our God, to You we come.

Will You still hide Your Face?

We cry before You and on our knees we pray.

How long, O Lord, how long?

Our sorrows leave us weak and worn,
Surrounded by our fears.
We look to heaven through feeble faith and tears.
How long, O Lord, how long?

'Til Your glory fills our eyes
And our faith is turned to sight.
'Til our thirsty souls are satisfied.
How long, O Lord, how long?

Our foes and enemies rejoice.
Injustice seems to reign.
Lord, we are shaken and we are losing strength.
How long, O Lord, how long?

'Til Your glory fills our eyes
And our faith is turned to sight.
'Til our thirsty souls are satisfied.
How long, O Lord, how long?

But we will trust Your steadfast love.
Your grace will be our song.
You bring new mercies with ev'ry rising sun.
How long, O Lord, how long?

'Til Your glory fills our eyes
And our faith is turned to sight.
'Til our thirsty souls are satisfied.
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Assurance and Peace

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

Remember the Gospel

1 Corinthians 15:20-22, 56-58 (ESV)

Remember the Gospel!

In fact Christ has been raised from the dead,
the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

**For as by a man came death,
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.
For as in Adam all die,
so also in Christ shall all be made alive.**

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

**But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory
through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord,
knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

Our Sung Profession of Assurance

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

What is our hope in life and death?

Christ alone, Christ alone.

What is our only confidence?

That our souls to Him belong.

Who holds our days within His hand?

What comes, apart from His command?

And what will keep us to the end?

The love of Christ, in which we stand.

Chorus

O sing hallelujah!

Our hope springs eternal;

O sing hallelujah!

Now and ever we confess

Christ our hope in life and death.

What truth can calm the troubled soul?

God is good, God is good.

Where is His grace and goodness known?

In our great Redeemer's blood.

Who holds our faith when fears arise?

Who stands above the stormy trial?

Who sends the waves that bring us nigh

Unto the shore, the rock of Christ? (Chorus)

Unto the grave, what will we sing?

"Christ, He lives! Christ, He lives!"
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with Him.
There we will rise to meet the Lord,
Then sin and death will be destroyed,
And we will feast in endless joy,
When Christ is ours forevermore. (Chorus)

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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.

You may give electronically at 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

Psalms 48 (ESV)

A Song. A Psalm of the Sons of Korah.

¹ Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised
in the city of our God!
His holy mountain, ² beautiful in elevation,
is the joy of all the earth,
Mount Zion, in the far north,
the city of the great King.
³ Within her citadels God
has made himself known as a fortress.
⁴ For behold, the kings assembled;
they came on together.
⁵ As soon as they saw it, they were astounded;
they were in panic; they took to flight.
⁶ Trembling took hold of them there,
anguish as of a woman in labor.
⁷ By the east wind you shattered
the ships of Tarshish.
⁸ As we have heard, so have we seen
in the city of the LORD of hosts,
in the city of our God,
which God will establish forever. *Selah*
⁹ We have thought on your steadfast love, O God,
in the midst of your temple.
¹⁰ As your name, O God,
so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth.
Your right hand is filled with righteousness.
¹¹ Let Mount Zion be glad!
Let the daughters of Judah rejoice
because of your judgments!

¹² Walk about Zion, go around her,
number her towers,
¹³ consider well her ramparts,
go through her citadels,
that you may tell the next generation
¹⁴ that this is God,
our God forever and ever.
He will guide us forever.

This is the word of the Lord.

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

Sermon

Psalm 48 - The Dwelling Place of God - 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

How Great is Our God

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty,
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide,
And trembles at His voice, trembles at His voice.

Chorus

**How great is our God, sing with me,
How great is our God, and all will see
How great, how great is our God.**

And age to age He stands, and time is in His hands,
Beginning and the end, beginning and the end.
The Godhead, three in one: Father, Spirit, Son,
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb. (Chorus)

Name above all names,
Worthy of all praise,
My heart will sing
How great is our God. (Repeat)

**How great is our God, sing with me,
How great is our God, and all will see
How great, how great is our God.**

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Blessing

Numbers 6:24-26 (ESV)

The LORD bless you and keep you;

the LORD make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious to you;
the LORD lift up his countenance upon you
and give you peace.

Amen.

Scripture text for next Sunday: Psalm 49