

Pre-service Song

I Stand Amazed

I stand amazed in the presence
Of Jesus the Nazarene,
And wonder how He could love me,
A sinner, condemned, unclean. (Chorus)

Chorus

How marvelous! How wonderful!
And my song shall ever be;
How marvelous! How wonderful!
Is my Savior's love for me!

For me it was in the garden
He prayed: "Not My will, but Thine."
He had no tears for His own griefs,
But sweat drops of blood for mine. (Chorus)

He took my sins and my sorrows,
He made them His very own;
He bore the burden to Calv'ry,
And suffered and died alone. (Chorus)

When with the ransomed in glory
His face I at last shall see,
'Twill be my joy thro' the ages
To sing of His love for me. (Chorus)

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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

Psalms 24:7-10 (ESV)

Lift up your heads, O gates!
And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
That the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?
The Lord, strong and mighty,
The Lord, mighty in battle!

Lift up your heads, O gates!
And lift them up, O ancient doors,
That the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?
The Lord of hosts,
He is the King of glory!

Our Sung Call to Worship

Praise to the Lord The Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O, my soul, praise Him for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;

Praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen, how thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee.
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew, what the Almighty can do,
If with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him.
Let the Amen, sound from His people again,
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

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Confession

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

Our Spoken Confession

1 John 1:8-9; 2:1-2 (ESV)

If we say we have no sin,
we deceive ourselves,
and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins,
he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

But if anyone does sin,
we have an advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ the righteous one.

**He is the propitiation for our sins,
and not for ours only
but also for the sins of the whole world.**

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 8:31-35, 37-39 (ESV)

Remember the Gospel!

If God is for us, who can be against us?

**He who did not spare his own Son
but gave him up for us all,
how will he not also with him
graciously give us all things?**

Who shall bring any charge against God's elect?

It is God who justifies.

Who is to condemn?

Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?
Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution,
or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?

**No, in all these things we are more than
conquerors through him who loved us.
For I am sure that neither death nor life,
nor angels nor rulers, nor things present
nor things to come, nor powers, nor height
nor depth, nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Our Sung Profession of Assurance
In Christ Alone

In Christ alone, my hope is found;
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my all in all,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied;
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then, bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine,
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home,

Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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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

Psalm 59 (ESV)

To the choirmaster: according to Do Not

Destroy. A Miktam of David, when Saul sent men to watch his house in order to kill him.

¹ Deliver me from my enemies, O my God;
protect me from those who rise up
against me;

² deliver me from those who work evil,
and save me from bloodthirsty men.

³ For behold, they lie in wait for my life;
fierce men stir up strife against me.
For no transgression or sin of mine,
O LORD,

⁴ for no fault of mine,
they run and make ready.
Awake, come to meet me, and see!

⁵ You, LORD God of hosts, are God of Israel.
Rouse yourself to punish all the nations;
spare none of those who treacherously
plot evil. *Selah*

⁶ Each evening they come back,
howling like dogs
and prowling about the city.

⁷ There they are, bellowing with their
mouths with swords in their lips—
for "Who," they think, "will hear us?"

⁸ But you, O LORD, laugh at them;
you hold all the nations in derision.

⁹ O my Strength, I will watch for you,
for you, O God, are my fortress.

¹⁰ My God in his steadfast love will meet
me; God will let me look in triumph on
my enemies.

¹¹ Kill them not, lest my people forget;
make them totter by your power and
bring them down, O LORD, our shield!

¹² For the sin of their mouths,
the words of their lips,
let them be trapped in their pride.
For the cursing and lies that they utter,

¹³ consume them in wrath;
consume them till they are no more,
that they may know that God rules
over Jacob to the ends of the earth.

Selah

¹⁴ Each evening they come back,
howling like dogs
and prowling about the city.

¹⁵ They wander about for food
and growl if they do not get their fill.

¹⁶ But I will sing of your strength;
I will sing aloud of your steadfast
love in the morning.
For you have been to me a fortress
and a refuge in the day of my
distress.

¹⁷ O my Strength,
I will sing praises to you,
for you, O God, are my fortress,
the God who shows me steadfast
love.

This is the word of the Lord.

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

Sermon

Psalm 59 - Sing Before the Dawn - 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?

Jesus Strong and Kind (Distribution Song)

Jesus said that if I thirst,
I should come to Him.
No one else can satisfy,
I should come to Him.

Jesus said if I am weak,
I should come to Him.
No one else can be my strength,
I should come to Him.

Chorus

**For the Lord is good and faithful.
He will keep us day and night.
We can always run to Jesus.
Jesus, strong and kind.**

Jesus said that if I fear,
I should come to Him.
No one else can be my shield.
I should come to Him. (Chorus)

Jesus said if I am lost,
He will come to me.

And He showed me on that cross.
He will come to me.

**For the Lord is good and faithful.
He will keep us day and night.
We can always run to Jesus.
Jesus, strong and kind. (Repeat)**

Jesus, strong and kind.

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Celebration of the Lord's Supper

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

God is Our Strength and Refuge

God is our Strength and Refuge, a Helper ever near.
While resting in His shelter, no evil will we fear-
Not if the mountains crumble into the angry sea,
Not if the surging ocean exceeds its boundary.

A quiet stream refreshes the city of our God;
His throne stands unaffected while kingdoms rise and fall.
One word from Jacob's Savior will melt the raging throng.
The Lord of hosts is with us; He is our fortress strong.

Behold God's glorious power: He makes all warfare cease.
Each weapon He will shatter; the world will be at peace.
"Be still!" cries heaven's Sov'reign, "Be still, for I am God!
All kingdoms-all creation-will bow beneath my rod."

The violent sea turned placid when Jesus cried, "Be still!"
Fears gone, twelve men stood gasping when waves obeyed His will.
And soon the same voice speaking will calm earth's rebel storm.
This Lord of hosts is with us both now and evermore!

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Blessing

Psalms 41:13 (ESV)

Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel,
from everlasting to everlasting!

Amen and Amen.

Scripture text for next Sunday: Psalm 60