

THE LORD'S DAY – JUNE 15, 2025

"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

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Glorious things of thee are spoken
Zion City of our God.
He whose word cannot be broken
Formed thee for his own abode.

On the Rock of Ages founded, What can shake thy sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See, the streams of living waters,
Springing from eternal love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters,
And all fear of want remove.

Who can faint while such a river,
Ever flows thy thirst assuage?
Grace which like the Lord, the giver,
Never fails from age to age.

Blest inhabitants of Zion,
Washed in the Redeemer's blood;
Jesus whom their souls rely on,
Makes them kings and priests to God:

'Tis his love his people raises,
Over self to reign as kings,
And as priests his solemn praises
Each for a thank offering brings.

Savior, if of Zion's city,

I, through grace, a member am,

Let the world deride or pity,

I will glory in thy name.

Fading is the worldling's pleasure, All his boasted pomp and show; Solid joys and lasting treasures None but Zion's children know.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

People: The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

Leader: They feast on the abundance of your house

People: and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

Leader: For with you is the fountain of life and in your light do we see light!

People: Send out your light and your truth!

All: Let them bring me to your holy hill!

PRAYER OF ADORATION

"Nearer, My God, To Thee"

by Sarah Fuller Flower Adams

Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer to Thee
Even though it be a cross
That raiseth me

Still all my song shall be Nearer, my God, to thee Nearer, my God, to thee Nearer to thee! Though like a wanderer,
The sun gone down
Darkness be over me,
Furrows on my brow

Yet in my dreams I'd be Nearer, my God, to thee Nearer, my God, to thee Nearer to thee There let the way appear,
Steps unto heaven
All that Thou sendest me,
Mercy given

Angels to beckon me Nearer, my God, to thee Nearer, my God, to thee Nearer to thee Then with my waking thoughts
Bright with thy praise
Out of my stony griefs
Worship I'll raise

So by my woes to be Nearer, my God, to thee Nearer, my God, to thee Nearer to thee

"Come Ye Sinners Poor And Needy"

by Joseph Hart

Come ye sinners poor and needy
Weak and wounded sick and sore
Jesus ready stands to save you
Full of pity love and power

I will arise and go to Jesus
He will embrace me in His arms
In the arms of my dear Savior
O there are ten thousand charms

Come ye thirsty come and welcome
God's free bounty glorify
True belief and true repentance
Every grace that brings you nigh

Come ye weary heavy laden Lost and ruined by the fall If you tarry till you're better You will never come at all I will arise and go to Jesus
He will embrace me in His arms
In the arms of my dear Savior
O there are ten thousand charms

View Him prostrate in the garden
On the ground your Maker lies
On the bloody tree behold Him
Sinner will this not suffice

Lo the incarnate God ascended Pleads the merit of His blood Venture on Him venture wholly Let no other trust intrude

I will arise and go to Jesus
He will embrace me in His arms
In the arms of my dear Savior
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FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 15:22-35

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

CONFESSION OF SIN

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name.

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear this good news:

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.

"Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners"

by John Wilbur Chapman, Matthew S. Smith, and Rowland Hugh Prichard

Jesus, what a Friend for sinners,
Jesus, Lover of my soul.
Friends may fail me, foes assail me,
He, my Savior, makes me whole.

Hallelujah! What a Savior!
Hallelujah! What a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.

Jesus, what a strength in weakness, Let me hide myself in Him. Tempted, tried, and often failing, He, my strength, my victory wins. Hallelujah! What a Savior!
Hallelujah! What a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.

Jesus, what a help in sorrow, While the billows o'er me roll. Even when my heart is breaking, He, my comfort, helps my soul.

Hallelujah! What a Savior!
Hallelujah! What a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.

Jesus, I do now receive Him,
More than all in Him I find,
He hath granted me forgiveness,
I am His, and He is mine.

Hallelujah! What a Savior!
Hallelujah! What a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.

GREETING

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

Leader: Let us share His peace with one another.

Children may leave for lesson (ages 4-6).

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

As the leader directs, the congregation is invited to pray for those for whom they are burdened.

Pray aloud and by name or silently if you prefer.

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 132 -134

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

"Psalm 134"

Praise the Lord, all ye servants of the Lord Who minister by night in the house of the Lord

Lift your hands in the sanctuary Raise your voice in the sanctuary

May the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth bless you from Zion

CELEBRATING COMMUNION

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you!

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Wine is in the outer circles of cups; the inner circle contains grape juice. Gluten-free bread is in its own tray.

As the usher directs, please come forward one row at a time to pick up your cups.

Please hold your elements until all are served so that we may all partake together, as one body.

"Jesus Paid It All"

by Alex Nifong, Elvina M. Hall, and John Thomas Grape And I hear the Savior say,
Thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness watch and pray
Find in me thine all in all.

Jesus paid it all
All to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow.

Lord now indeed I find
Thy pow'r and Thine alone
Can change the leper's spots
And melt the heart of stone.

Jesus paid it all
All to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow.

And when before the throne,
I stand in Him complete;
Jesus died my soul to save
My lips shall still repeat:

Jesus paid it all
All to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow.

CELEBRATING COMMUNION

Announcements

Benediction

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

Amen.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen. (4x)



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