



“For all the peoples walk  
each in the name of its god,  
but we will walk in the name of the LORD our God  
forever and ever.”

MICAH 4:5



# PREPARATORY HYMN: CHRIST OUR HOPE IN LIFE AND DEATH

## Verse 1

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

## Verse 2

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

## Verse 3

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

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## **SCRIPTURAL CALL TO WORSHIP**

PSALM 134:3

May the LORD bless you from Zion,  
he who made heaven and earth!

**PRAYER OF PRAISE**

# CHRIST THE TRUE AND BETTER

## Verse 1

Christ the true and better  
Adam Son of God and Son of man  
Who when tempted in the garden  
Never yielded never sinned  
He who makes the many righteous  
Brings us back to life again  
Dying He reversed the curse then  
Rising crushed the serpent's head

## Verse 2

Christ the true and better  
Isaac Humble son of sacrifice  
Who would climb the fearful  
mountain  
There to offer up his life  
Laid with faith upon the altar  
Father's joy and only son  
There salvation was provided  
Oh what full and boundless love

## Chorus

Amen Amen  
From beginning to end  
Christ the story  
His the glory  
Alleluia amen

## Verse 3

Christ the true and better  
Moses Called to lead a people home  
Standing bold to earthly powers  
God's great glory to be known  
With his arms stretched wide to  
heaven  
See the waters part in two  
See the veil is torn forever  
Cleansed with blood we pass now  
through

## Verse 4

Christ the true and better David  
Lowly shepherd mighty King  
He the champion in the battle  
Where o death is now thy sting?  
In our place He bled and  
conquered  
Crown Him Lord of majesty  
His shall be the throne forever  
We shall e'er His people be

## The Church's One Foundation

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Samuel J. Stone, 1866

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Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1864

1. The church - 's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;  
 2. E - lect from eve - ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,  
 3. Though with a scorn - ful won - der, men see her sore op - pressed,  
 4. The church shall nev - er per - ish! Her dear Lord to de - fend,  
 5. 'Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war,  
 6. Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God the Three in One,

she is His new cre - a - tion, by wa - ter and the word.  
 her char - ter of sal - va - tion: one Lord, one faith, one birth.  
 by schis - ms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,  
 to guide, sus - tain, and cher - ish, is with her to the end;  
 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;  
 and mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion with those whose rest is won;

From heav'n He came and sought her to be His ho - ly bride;  
 One ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,  
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"  
 though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale,  
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,  
 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord give us grace that we,

with His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.  
 and to one hope she press - es, with eve - ry grace en - dued.  
 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song!  
 a - gainst the foe or trait - or she ev - er shall pre - vail.  
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.  
 like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with Thee.

## SCRIPTURE READING

### PSALM 48

**48** Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised

in the city of our God!

His holy mountain, <sup>2</sup> beautiful in elevation,

is the joy of all the earth,

Mount Zion, in the far north,

the city of the great King.

<sup>3</sup> Within her citadels God

has made himself known as a fortress.

<sup>4</sup> For behold, the kings assembled;

they came on together.

<sup>5</sup> As soon as they saw it, they were astounded;

they were in panic; they took to flight.

<sup>6</sup> Trembling took hold of them there,

anguish as of a woman in labor.

<sup>7</sup> By the east wind you shattered

the ships of Tarshish.

<sup>8</sup> 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*

<sup>9</sup> We have thought on your steadfast love, O God,

in the midst of your temple.

<sup>10</sup> As your name, O God,

so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth.

Your right hand is filled with righteousness.

<sup>11</sup> Let Mount Zion be glad!

Let the daughters of Judah rejoice

because of your judgments!

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

## SCRIPTURE READING

### HEBREWS 12:18-24

<sup>18</sup> For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest <sup>19</sup> and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. <sup>20</sup> For they could not endure the order that was given, “If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned.” <sup>21</sup> Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I tremble with fear.” <sup>22</sup> But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, <sup>23</sup> and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup> and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.



# CHRIST IS MINE FOREVERMORE

1. Mine are days that God has num-bered; I was made to walk with Him.  
2. Mine are tears in times of sor - row, dark-ness not yet un - der - stood.  
3. Mine are days here as a stran - ger, pil - grim on a nar - row way.

Yet, I look for world-ly treas - ure and for - sake the King of kings.  
Through the val - ley I must trav - el where I see no earth - ly good.  
One with Christ I will en - coun - ter harm and ha - tred for His Name.

1. But mine is hope in my Re-deem-er; though I fall, His love is sure.  
2. But mine is peace that flows from heav-en, and the strength in times of need.  
3a. But mine is ar - mor for this bat - tle, strong e - nough to last the war.  
3b. *And mine are keys to Zi - on ci - ty where be - side the King I'll walk.*

*At end of 3a, repeat to 3b*

For Christ has paid for ev' - ry fail - ing; I am His for - ev - er - more.  
I know my pain will not be wast - ed; Christ com - pletes His work in me.  
And He has said He will de - liv - er safe - ly to the gold - en shore. *(to 3b)*  
*For there my heart has found its treas - ure; Christ is mine for - ev - er - more.*

**Bridge: sing twice after completing all verses above; then return to verse 3b**

(Bridge:) Come re - joice now, O my soul, For his love is my re - ward.

Fear is gone and hope is sure: Christ is mine for - ev - er - more. repeat, then go to 3b

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# SERMON

## BIG MOUNTAIN

### MICAH 4:1-5

4 It shall come to pass in the latter days  
that the mountain of the house of the LORD  
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,  
and it shall be lifted up above the hills;  
and peoples shall flow to it,  
2 and many nations shall come, and say:  
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,  
to the house of the God of Jacob,  
that he may teach us his ways  
and that we may walk in his paths.”  
For out of Zion shall go forth the law,  
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.  
3 He shall judge between many peoples,  
and shall decide disputes for strong nations far away;  
and they shall beat their swords into plowshares,  
and their spears into pruning hooks;  
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
neither shall they learn war anymore;  
4 but they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree,  
and no one shall make them afraid,  
for the mouth of the LORD of hosts has spoken.  
5 For all the peoples walk  
each in the name of its god,  
but we will walk in the name of the LORD our God  
forever and ever.

# SERMON NOTES

# **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

## **LORD'S SUPPER**

### **SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

#### **EPHESIANS 2:13**

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near  
by the blood of Christ.

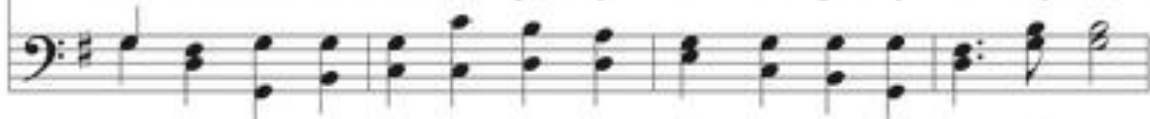
# 87c Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken



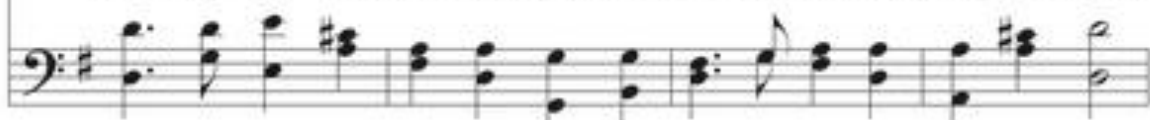
1 Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God;  
 2 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters spring - ing from e - ter - nal love  
 3 Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - 'ring, see the cloud and fire ap - pear,  
 4 Sav - ior, since of Zi - on's cit - y I thro' grace a mem - ber am,



he whose word can - not be bro - ken formed thee for his own a - bode.  
 well sup - ply thy sons and daugh - ters and all fear of want re - move.  
 for a glo - ry and a cov - 'ring, show - ing that the LORD is near.  
 let the world de - ride or pit - y, I will glo - ry in thy name.



On the Rock of A - ges found - ed, what can shake thy sure re - pose?  
 Who can faint while such a riv - er ev - er flows their thirst t'as - suage—  
 Thus they march, the pil - lar lead - ing, light by night and shade by day,  
 Fad - ing is the world - ling's plea - sure, all his boast - ed pomp and show;



With sal - va - tion's walls sur - round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes,  
 grace, which, like the LORD, the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age?  
 dai - ly on the man - na feed - ing which he gives them when they pray.  
 sol - id joys and last - ing trea - sure none but Zi - on's chil - dren know.



# DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all bles-sings flow; Praise Him, all crea-tures here be-low;

Praise Him a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

*Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)*

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## WHO IS JESUS?

Our greatest prayer for you is that you would come to know Jesus. Though we have all rebelled against God, He sent Jesus, His only Son, into our broken world. Through Jesus's obedient life, sacrificial death, and victorious resurrection, sinners can be forgiven and reconciled to God through turning from our sins and trusting in Him.

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## FOLLOWING JESUS

**Baptism** is publicly professing your faith in Jesus and identifying with His people.

**Discipleship** is walking together in life and helping one another follow Jesus faithfully.

**Membership** is our mutual commitment to follow Jesus together in the context of a local church.

**Service** to the church and the world is what characterizes Jesus's followers as we seek to make Him known.

If you would like to learn more about Jesus and what it means to follow Him, we would love to talk with you. Please speak with one of our elders or submit a connect card (available in the pews or by scanning the QR code below).

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## VISITORS & GUESTS

**Welcome!** If you are new to our church, we invite you to connect with an elder in the foyer after the service so that we can welcome you personally.

You can also complete a **Connect Card**, available in the pews or via this QR code, to request more information about this church or about what it means to be a Christian.



**Families with Children** We offer Sunday School classes at 9:30am for grades K-12 (resuming September 8, 2024), and childcare for infants to pre-K during the 10:45 worship service. Canvas 'busy bags' are available in the lobby for children to use during the service. Additional information about our Children's Ministry is available on our website.

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## OUR LIFE TOGETHER

### Sunday Evening Service - TONIGHT

Join us tonight for our new Sunday evening service at 5PM where we will sing, have a short Bible devotional (this month is on Foundations of Spiritual Disciplines), Q&A, book giveaways, and prayer time together. We will also share a potluck meal tonight to kick off this new service.

### Assist Pregnancy Center Vision Night - October 25th

Assist Pregnancy Center's Vision Dinner will be a great opportunity to learn more about our local ministry partner and the ways we can be involved! More information is available on the back table. See Larry McLeod with any questions.

**Sermon Text for Next Week:** Micah 4:6-5:15

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