

# **MORNING WORSHIP CELEBRATION**

*The Lord's Day*

**February 19, 2023**

**10:30 a.m.**

**Welcome & Announcements: Pastor Jeff Birch**

**Missions Update: Mark & Rahel Landrum**

**Prelude: Amy Reber**

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling –Tune: Beacher*

*Arranged by Victor Labenske*

**Call to Worship: Psalm 34:1-3**

*I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. <sup>2</sup> My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad. <sup>3</sup> Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!*

**The Invocation**

**Hymn of Praise 100**

***Holy, Holy, Holy!***

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns  
Around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,  
Tho' the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,  
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,  
Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name  
In earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
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## Confession of Sin

### Need of Confession: James 4:8-10

*<sup>8</sup> Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. <sup>9</sup> Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. <sup>10</sup> Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.*

### Personal Confession of Sin

#### Corporate Confession of Sin (Unison)

**O gracious and gentle and condescending God, God of peace, Father of mercy, God of all comfort: we confess before you the evil of our hearts; we acknowledge that we are too inclined toward anger, jealousy, and revenge, to ambition and pride, which often give rise to discord and bitter feelings between others and us. Too often have we thus both offended and grieved you, O long-suffering Father. Forgive us this sin and permit us to partake of the blessing you have promised the peacemakers, who shall be called the children of God. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

#### Assurance of Pardon: 1 John 3:1-2

*See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup> Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.*

## Song of Praise

***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,  
And 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)

(Bridge)

Name above all names,  
Worthy of all praise;  
My heart will sing,  
“How great is our God!”

**The Lord’s Prayer (unison) / Pastoral Prayer**

**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.**

**Giving of Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory: Chancel Choir**

*Immortal Love, Forever Full*

*By Dan Kreider*

**Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Sermon Series: Romans - Gospel Partnership  
Part III: Gospel People (The Foundation Stone)  
Romans 9:30-10:4***

*<sup>30</sup> What shall we say, then? That Gentiles who did not pursue righteousness have attained it, that is, a righteousness that is by faith; <sup>31</sup> but that Israel who pursued a law that would lead to righteousness did not succeed in reaching that law. <sup>32</sup> Why? Because they did not pursue it by faith, but as if it were based on works. They have stumbled over the stumbling stone, <sup>33</sup> as it is written,*

*“Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense;  
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”*

***10** Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved. <sup>2</sup> For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. <sup>3</sup> For, being ignorant of the righteousness of God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. <sup>4</sup> For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.*

**Hymn 307 (verses 1-4)**

***Nothing but the Blood***

What can wash away my sin?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
What can make me whole again?

Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

(Chorus)

O precious is the flow  
That makes me white as snow;  
No other fount I know,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

For my cleansing this I see —  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
For my pardon this my plea —  
nothing but the blood of Jesus. (Chorus)

Nothing can for sin atone —  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
Naught of good that I have done —  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus. (Chorus)

This is all my hope and peace —  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
This is all my righteousness —  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus. (Chorus)

## **The Benediction**

## **Postlude**

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