

MORNING WORSHIP CELEBRATION

The Lord's Day

May 16, 2021

10:30 a.m.

Welcome & Announcements: Pastor Jeff Birch

Prelude: Mrs. Amy Reber

Praise His Greatness

Arranged by Mark Hayes

Call to Worship: Isaiah 12:1-6

The Invocation

***Hymn of Praise**

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Crown him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own:
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of love;
Behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified:
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye
At mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of peace;
Whose pow'r a scepter sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,
Absorbed in prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end;
And round his pierced feet
Fair flow'rs of paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of years,
The Potentate of time;
Creator of the rolling spheres,

Ineffably sublime:
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For thou hast died for me:
Thy praise shall never, never fail
Throughout eternity.

The Confession of Faith: Work of the Holy Spirit, adapted from WCF

God's chosen ones are redeemed by Christ and are effectually called to faith in Christ by his Spirit. The Holy Spirit gives them life and renews them; he enables them to answer the call to come to Christ and embrace the grace offered in the gospel. As the Spirit of adoption, the Holy Spirit assures them of belonging to God. The Holy Spirit sanctifies God's people; he convicts of sin and leads to repentance; he gives them ability to do good work, to will and to do God's good pleasure. By his continuing presence, the Holy Spirit enables them to persevere in the faith until the time of their glorification.

***Hymn**

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of his grace.

My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad,
The honors of thy name.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the pow'r of reigning sin,
He sets the pris'ner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean,
His blood availed for me.

He speaks and, list'ning to his voice,
New life the dead receive;
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice;
The humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,
Your loosen'd tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Savior come;
And leap, ye lame, for joy.

The Lord's Prayer / 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.

Offertory: Mrs. Lynne Fowlkes, flute

This Is My Father's World

Arranged by Rebecca Bonham

***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 Text: Acts 1:1-11

Sermon: The Advance of the Kingdom

***Hymn**

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Lord, the light of your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness shining;
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us,
Set us free by the truth you now bring us;
Shine on me, shine on me.

(Chorus)

Shine, Jesus, shine,
Fill this land with
The Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze;
Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow,
Flood the nations with
Grace and mercy.
Send forth your Word,
Lord, and let there be light.

Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
From the shadows into your radiance;
By the blood I may enter your brightness;
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness;
Shine on me, shine on me. *(Chorus)*

As we gaze on your kingly brightness
So our faces display your likeness,
Ever changing from glory to glory;
Mirrored here, may our lives tell your story.
Shine on me, shine on me. (*Chorus*)

***The Benediction**

Postlude

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Weekly Meditation Verse for Women in the Church

Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. Hebrews 11:1