

* **Call to Worship:**

Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet #569 (PH)

Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet,
Praise the Lord with the harp and lute,
Praise the Lord with the gentle sounding flute.
Praise the Lord in the field and forest,
Praise the Lord in the city square,
Praise the Lord anytime and anywhere.
Praise the Lord in the wind and sunshine,
Praise the Lord in the dark of night,
Praise the Lord in the rain or snow or in the morning light.
Praise the Lord in the deepest valley,
Praise the Lord on the highest hill,
Praise the Lord; never let your voice be still.

Praise the Lord with the crashing cymbal,
Praise the Lord with the pipe and string,
Praise the Lord with the joyful songs you sing.
Praise the Lord on a weekday morning,
Praise the Lord on a Sunday noon,
Praise the Lord by the light of sun or moon.
Praise the Lord in the time of sorrow,
Praise the Lord in the time of joy.
Praise the Lord every moment; nothing let your praise destroy.
Praise the Lord in the peace and quiet,
Praise the Lord in your work or play,
Praise the Lord everywhere in every way!

* **God's Greeting**

* **Come, All You People, Praise Our God** #242:1,2,3 (PH)

Come, all you people, praise our God
And tell his glorious works abroad,
Who holds our souls in life;
He never lets our feet be moved
And, though our faith he often proved,
Upholds us in the strife.

We come with offerings to his house,
And here we pay the solemn vows
We uttered in distress;
To him our all we dedicate,
To him we wholly consecrate
The lives his mercies bless.

* indicates to stand if able

* **Let's Just Praise the Lord** #317:1,2 (HFG)

Refrain : Let's just praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let's just lift our hearts to heaven
And praise the Lord;
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O we thank You for Your kindness,
We thank You for Your love,
We have been in heavenly places,
Felt blessings from above;
We've been sharing all the good things, the family can afford,
Let's just turn our praise toward heaven and praise the Lord.
Refrain

Just the precious name of Jesus is worthy of our praise,
Let us bow our knees before Him, our hands to heaven raise;
When He comes in clouds of glory, with Him to ever reign,
Let's just lift our happy voices, and praise His name. *Refrain*

Call to Confession: *Romans 5:8; Hebrews 4:16*

The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners, Christ died for us. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Trusting in God's faithfulness and compassion, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness: Like a River Glorious #560 (PH)

Like a river glorious is God's perfect peace,
Over all victorious in its bright increase;
Perfect, yet still flowing fuller every day;
Perfect, yet still growing deeper all the way.
Trusting in the Father, hearts are fully blest,
Finding, as he promised, perfect peace and rest.

Hidden in the hollow of his mighty hand,
Where no harm can follow, in his strength we stand.
We may trust him fully all for us to do;
Those who trust him wholly find him wholly true.
Trusting in the Father, hearts are fully blest,
Finding, as he promised, perfect peace and rest.

(Children 3 years old – 2nd grade are invited to Children's Church in the Ed. Building during this song.)

Offertory Prayer

Offering: The Gideons

Morning Prayer

* **Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid** #425:1,3 (PH)

Creator Spirit, by whose aid
The world's foundations first were laid,
Come, visit every pious mind;
Come, pour thy joys on humankind;
From sin and sorrow set us free
And make thy temples worthy thee.

Plenteous of grace, descend from high,
Rich in thy sevenfold energy;
Make us eternal truths receive
And practice all that we believe;
Give us thyself that we may see
The Father and the Son by thee.

* **Scripture:** *Matthew 5:29-30 (NIV)* pg. 1011

²⁹ If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. ³⁰ And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell.

Matthew 18:7-9 (NIV) pg. 1028

⁷ Woe to the world because of the things that cause people to stumble! Such things must come, but woe to the person through whom they come! ⁸ If your hand or your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life maimed or crippled than to have two hands or two feet and be thrown into eternal fire. ⁹ And if your eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than to have two eyes and be thrown into the fire of hell.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: *Severe Spiritual Surgery*

Prayer

* **O Jesus, I Have Promised** #402:1,2,3 (HFG)

O Jesus, I have promised, to serve Thee to the end;
Be Thou forever near me, my Master and my Friend:
I shall not fear the battle if Thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway if Thou wilt be my Guide.

O let me feel Thee near me, the world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear:
My foes are ever near me, around me and within;
But, Jesus, draw Thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

O Jesus, Thou hast promised to all who follow Thee,
That where Thou art in glory, there shall Thy servant be;
And, Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.

* **God's Blessing**

* **Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing** #520:1 (HFG)

Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing;
Fill our hearts with joy and peace.
Let us each, Your love possessing,
Triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, O refresh us,
Traveling through this wilderness.

Severe Spiritual Surgery
Matthew 5:29-30; Matthew 18:7-9

The Radical Command

The Eternal Reason

The Spiritual Power

Let us then with
CONFIDENCE
draw near
to the
throne of **grace**
that we
may receive
mercy & find
grace
to help
in time of need.
hebrews 4:16

Worship services are broadcast live in the church basement
for anyone who is unable to worship in the sanctuary.
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Pastor: Barry B
Music: Ken & Lisa Q
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