

\* **Call to Worship:** *Psalm 47:1-2, 5-6*  
*Clap your hands, all you peoples;*  
*shout to God with loud songs of joy.*  
**For the LORD, the Most High, is awesome,**  
**a great king over all the earth.**  
*God has gone up with a shout,*  
*the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.*  
**Sing praises to God, sing praises;**  
**sing praises to our King, sing praises.**

\* **God's Greeting**

\* **Rejoice, the Lord is King** #374:1,2,3 (HFG)  
Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore!  
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore:

*Refrain:* Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!  
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

The Lord, our Savior, reigns, the God of truth and love;  
When He had purged our stains, He took His seat above:  
*Refrain*

His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o'er earth and heaven;  
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given: *Refrain*

\* **We Sing the Greatness of Our God** #338:1,2 (HFG)

We sing the greatness of our God  
That made the mountains rise,  
That spread the flowing seas abroad  
And built the lofty skies,  
We sing the wisdom that ordained  
The sun to rule the day;  
The moon shines full at His command,  
And all the stars obey.

We sing the goodness of the Lord  
That filled the earth with food;  
He formed the creatures with His word  
And then pronounced them good.  
Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed  
Where'er we turn our eyes:  
In every season of the year,  
And through the changing skies.

\* **The Heavens Declare Your Glory**

The heavens declare your glory, the firmament your power;  
Day unto day the story repeats from hour to hour.  
Night unto night replying, proclaims in every land,  
O Lord, with voice undying, the wonders of your hand.

The sun with royal splendor goes forth to chant your praise,  
And moonbeams soft and tender their gentler anthem raise.  
O'er every tribe and nation the music is outpoured,  
The song of all creation to you, creation's Lord.

All heaven on high rejoices to do its Maker's will;  
The stars with solemn voices resound your praises still.  
So let my whole behavior; each thought, each deed I do,  
Be, Lord, my strength, my Savior, a ceaseless song to you.

**Call to Confession:** based on Matthew 22:37-40

Our Lord Jesus said:  
"You shall love the Lord your God  
with all your heart,  
and with all your soul,  
and with all your mind."  
This is the greatest and first commandment.

**And a second is like it:**  
**'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'**  
**On these two commandments**  
**hang all the law and the prophets."**

As God has instructed us in these great commandments,  
and because we have not lived in full obedience,  
let us now confess our sins to God,  
trusting Christ as our Savior and Lord.  
**AMEN.**

**Prayer of Confession**

**O Great God**

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

O great God of highest heaven, occupy my lowly heart.  
Own it all and reign supreme. Conquer every rebel power.  
Let no vice or sin remain that resists Your holy war.  
You have loved and purchased me  
Make me Yours forevermore.

I was blinded by my sin, had no ears to hear your voice,  
Did not know Your love within, had no taste for heaven's joy.  
Then Your Spirit gave me life, opened up Your word to me,  
Through the gospel of Your Son  
Gave me endless hope and peace.

Help me now to live a life that's dependent on your grace.  
Keep my heart and guard my soul from the evils that I face.  
You are worthy to be praised with my every thought and deed.  
O great God of highest heaven glorify Your Name through me.

**Offertory Prayer**

**Offering:** Steve & Sandy

**Morning Prayer**

\* **Take Time to Be Holy**

Take time to be holy, speak oft with thy Lord;  
Abide in Him always and feed on His Word.  
Make friends with God's children, help those who are weak;  
Forgetting in nothing His blessing to seek.

Take time to be holy, let Him be thy Guide,  
And run not before Him, whatever betide.  
In joy or in sorrow still follow thy Lord,  
And looking to Jesus, still trust in His Word.

\* **Scripture:** *Mark 2:1-13 (NIV)* pg. 1046

<sup>1</sup> A few days later, when Jesus again entered Capernaum, the people heard that he had come home. <sup>2</sup> They gathered in such large numbers that there was no room left, not even outside the door, and he preached the word to them.

<sup>3</sup> Some men came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. <sup>4</sup> Since they could not get him to Jesus because of the crowd, they made an opening in the roof above Jesus by digging through it and then lowered the mat the man was lying on. <sup>5</sup> When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralyzed man, "Son, your sins are forgiven."

<sup>6</sup> Now some teachers of the law were sitting there, thinking to themselves, <sup>7</sup> "Why does this fellow talk like that? He's blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?"

<sup>8</sup> Immediately Jesus knew in his spirit that this was what they were thinking in their hearts, and he said to them, "Why are you thinking these things? <sup>9</sup> Which is easier: to say to this paralyzed man, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up, take your mat and walk'?" <sup>10</sup> But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.

"So he said to the man, <sup>11</sup> "I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home." <sup>12</sup> He got up, took his mat and walked out in full view of them all. This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"

<sup>13</sup> Once again Jesus went out beside the lake. A large crowd came to him, and he began to teach them.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Message:** *The Healing Power of Jesus*

\* **Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee**

#465:1,2,3 (HFG)

Jesus, the very thought of Thee  
With sweetness fills my breast;  
But sweeter far Thy face to see,  
And in Thy presence rest.

No voice can sing, no heart can frame,  
Nor can the memory find,  
A sweeter sound than Thy blest name,  
O Savior of mankind.

O Hope of every contrite heart,  
O Joy of all the meek,  
To those who fall, how kind Thou art!  
How good to those who seek!

\* **God's Blessing**

\* **Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee**

#465:5 (HFG)

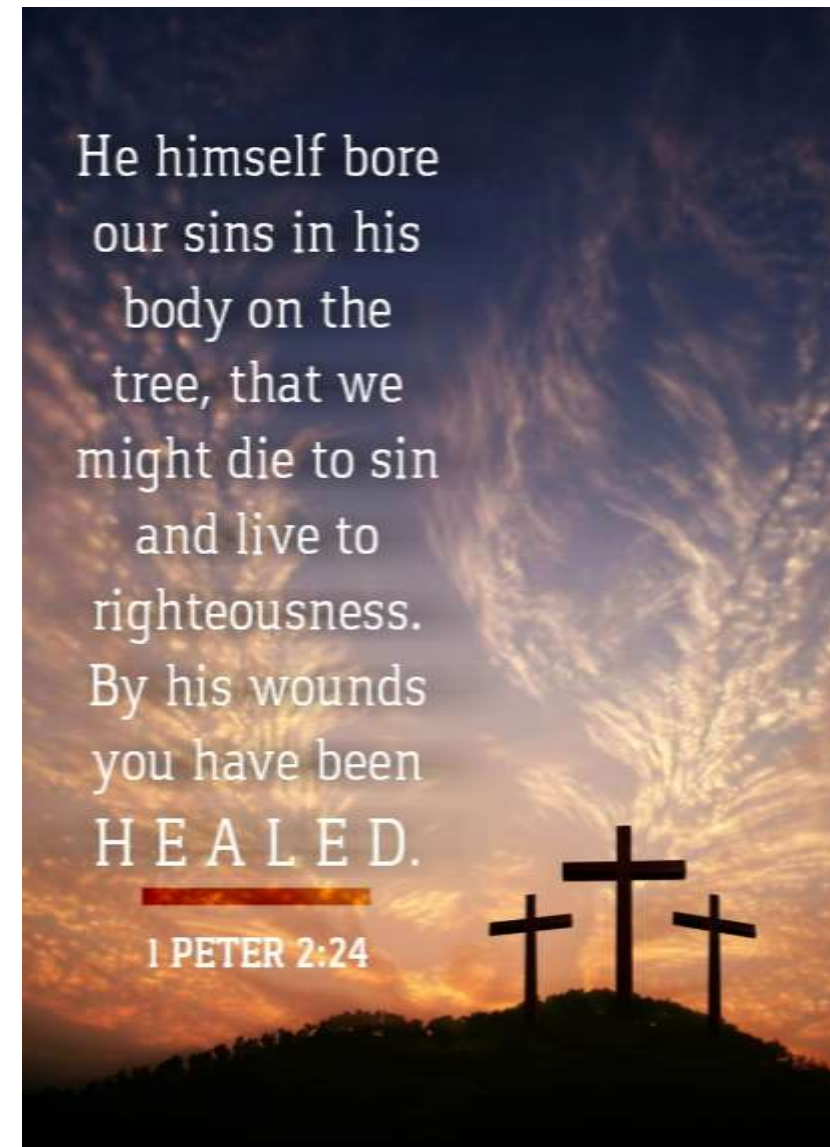
Jesus! our only joy be Thou,  
As Thou our prize wilt be;  
Jesus! be Thou our glory now,  
And through eternity.

**The Healing Power of Jesus**

Mark 2:1-13

He himself bore  
our sins in his  
body on the  
tree, that we  
might die to sin  
and live to  
righteousness.  
By his wounds  
you have been  
HEALED.

1 PETER 2:24



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