* Call to Worship: Psalm 18:1-3

I love you, O Lord, my strength.

The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer. My God is my rock, in whom I take refuge.

He is my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

I call to the Lord, who is worthy of praise!

* God's Greeting

* Praise the Name of Jesus

Praise the name of Jesus. Praise the name of Jesus. He's my rock, He's my fortress, He's my deliverer, in Him will I trust. Praise the name of Jesus. Repeat All

* Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Lord, I lift Your name on high;
Lord, I love to sing Your praises.
I'm so glad You're in my life;
I'm so glad You came to save us.
You came from heaven to earth to show the way;
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay.
From the grave to the grave,
From the grave to the sky,
Lord, I lift Your Name on high.

* In Christ Alone

In Christ alone, my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song, This Cornerstone, this solid ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease. My Comforter, my all in all, Here in the love of Christ, I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, Fullness of God, in helpless Babe. This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save. 'Til on the cross, as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied. For ev'ry sin on Him was laid, Here in the death of Christ I live.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the pow'r of Christ in me. From life's first cry, to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand. 'Til He returns or calls me home, Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

Call to Confession: from Psalm 51

Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your unfailing love; according to Your great compassion blot out my transgressions, wash away all my iniquity and I will be whiter than snow.

Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Cleanse Me

#425:1,3 (HFG)

Search me, O God, and know my heart today; Try me, O Savior, know my thoughts, I pray. See if there be some wicked way in me; Cleanse me from every sin, and set me free.

Lord, take my life, and make it wholly Thine; Fill my poor heart with Thy great love divine, Take all my will, my passion, self and pride, I now surrender, Lord, in me abide.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance: *Romans* 3:23, 6:23

For all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

* Amazing Love

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

I'm forgiven because you were forsaken. I'm accepted; you were condemned. I'm alive and well, your Spirit is within me Because you died and rose again.

Refrain: Amazing love, how can it be
That you, my King, would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true;
It is my joy to honor you. In all I do I honor you.

You are my King, You are My King Jesus, You are my King! Refrain

Offertory Prayer

Offering: Benevolence Fund

Morning Prayer

* At the Name of Jesus

At the Name of Jesus every knee shall bow, Every tongue confess Him King of Glory now. 'Tis the Father's pleasure we should call Him Lord, Who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue All that is not holy, all that is not true. Look to him, your Savior, in temptation's hour; Let his will enfold you in its light and power.

Christians, this Lord Jesus shall return again, With His Father's glory, o'er the earth to reign; For the wreaths of empire meet upon his brow, And our hearts confess him King of glory now.

* **Scripture:** Acts 8:1-8 (ESV)

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¹ And there arose on that day a great persecution against the church in Jerusalem, and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles. ² Devout men buried Stephen and made great lamentation over him. ³ But Saul was ravaging the church, and entering house after house, he dragged off men and women and committed them to prison.

⁴ Now those who were scattered went about preaching the word. ⁵ Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed to them the Christ. ⁶ And the crowds with one accord paid attention to what was being said by Philip, when they heard him and saw the signs that he did. ⁷ For unclean spirits, crying out with a loud voice, came

⁷ For unclean spirits, crying out with a loud voice, came out of many who had them, and many who were paralyzed or lame were healed. ⁸ So there was much joy in that city.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Message: The Church of the Run

Prayer

* I Love to Tell the Story

#619:3,4 (HFG)

I love to tell the story 'tis pleasant to repeat What seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet; I love to tell the story – for some have never heard The message of salvation from God's own holy word.

Refrain: I love to tell the story! 'Twill be my theme in glory To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

I love to tell the story for those who know it best Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest; And when in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song, 'Twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. *Refrain*

* God's Blessing

* My Friends, May You Grow in Grace

My friends, may you grow in grace
And in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior.
My friends, may you grow in grace
And in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.
To God be the glory, now and forever,
Now and forever, amen.
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Now and forever, amen.

Worship services are broadcast live in the church basement for anyone who is unable to worship in the sanctuary. The sanctuary is equipped with an assistive listening system. Please switch hearing aids to "T" to use this system.

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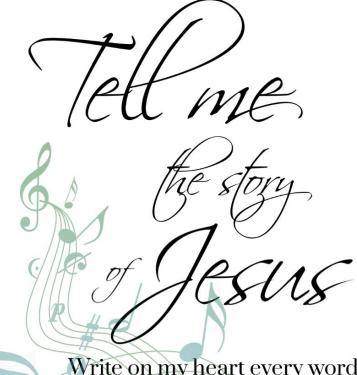
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Acts 8:1-8



Write on my heart every word;
Tell me the story most precious,
Sweetest that ever was heard.

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