

* **Call to Worship:** *Psalm 145:1-3,5*
I will exalt you, my God the King;
I will praise your name for ever and ever.

Every day I will praise you
and extol your name for ever and ever.
Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;
his greatness no one can fathom.
They speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty
and I will meditate on your wonderful works.

* **Opening Prayer**

* **We Praise You, O God** #237:1,2,3 (PH)

We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before you, we kneel and adore you;
We bless your holy name, glad praises we sing.

We worship you, God of our fathers, we bless you;
Through life's storm and tempest our guide you have been.
When perils o'er take us, you never forsake us.
And with your help, O Lord, our battles we win.

With voices united our praises we offer;
Our songs of thanksgiving to you we now raise.
Your strong arm will guide us, our God is beside us.
To you, our great Redeemer, fore'er be praise!

* **I Stand In Awe**

You are beautiful beyond description,
Too marvelous for words,
Too wonderful for comprehension,
Like nothing ever seen or heard.
Who can grasp Your infinite wisdom?
Who can fathom the depth of Your love?
You are beautiful beyond description,
Majesty enthroned above.

And I stand, I stand in awe of You.
I stand, I stand in awe of You.
Holy God, to whom all praise is due,
I stand in awe of You.
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* **Be Still, for the Presence**

Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
The Holy One, is here;
Come bow before him now with reverence and fear:
In him no sin is found; we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
The Holy One, is here.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place;
He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace
No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

Profession of Our Faith

Do you believe in God the Father?
I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended to heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Jesus Loves Me

#226:1,3 (HFG)

Jesus loves me, this I know,
For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong,
They are weak but He is strong.

Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

Jesus, take this heart of mine,
Make it pure and wholly Thine;
On the cross You died for me,
I will try to live for Thee. *Refrain*

Children's Message

Offering: Al & Julie

Evening Prayer

* **Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing** #486:1,2 (PH)

Come, thou Fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount—I'm fixed upon it—
Mount of God's redeeming love.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it;
Seal it for thy courts above.

* **Scripture:** *Luke 16:19-31 (ESV)* pg. 1095
¹⁹ "There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰ And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹ who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. ²² The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried, ²³ and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. ²⁴ And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.' ²⁵ But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. ²⁶ And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who

would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' ²⁷ And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house— ²⁸ for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' ²⁹ But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.' ³⁰ And he said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' ³¹ He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.'"

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

Message: *For the Bible Tells Me So*

* ***Shout, for the Blessed Jesus Reigns*** #539:1,4 (PH)

Shout, for the blessed Jesus reigns;
Through distant lands his triumphs spread.
And sinners, freed from endless pains,
Own him their Savior and their Head.

O may His holy church increase,
His Word and Spirit still prevail,
While angels celebrate His praise,
And saints His growing glories hail.

* **God's Blessing**

* ***Shout, for the Blessed Jesus Reigns*** #539:5 (PH)

Loud hallelujahs to the Lamb
From all below and all above!
In lofty songs exalt his name,
In songs as lasting as his love.

For the Bible Tells Me So

Luke 16:19-31

Jesus
LOVES ME
THIS I KNOW
for the **Bible**
TELLS ME SO

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Pastor: Robert Children's Message: Rich

Music: Perlene

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