



BUCKS COUNTY
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

April 12, 2020

CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;
His love endures forever.
In our anguish we cried to the LORD,
and He answered by setting us free.
Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;
His love endures forever.
The LORD is our strength and our song;
He has become our salvation.
Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;
His love endures forever.
We will not die but live,
and will proclaim what the LORD has done.
Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
His love endures forever.
The stone the builders rejected
has become the capstone;
The LORD has done this;
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
This is the day the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.
—from Psalm 118:1, 5, 14, 17, 22-24, NIV

PRAISE

We Stand Amazed

Verse 1

I was lost in all my sin
With my own hands I could not wash away my shame
At every turn I'd run away
But Father, You did not relent, Your will remains

Verse 2

The wrath of sin was mine to pay
But in love Christ came to suffer in my place
The Son of God, the Perfect Lamb
Has satisfied the penalty the cross demands

Prechorus

By Your blood we have redemption
By Your grace we have salvation
By Your mercy You have saved us
And our hearts will sing

Chorus

Oh God, we glorify Your Name
Oh Lord, we praise Your holy Name
And we will rejoice because You gave
Your own life to make a way
Oh what grace poured out, we stand amazed

Verse 3

This stubborn heart was made of stone
But Spirit, by Your touch the light of Christ has shone
For all my days, pleas dwell in me
That my boast may be in Christ and Christ alone

Bridge

Your body on the cross, crucified for us
The King laid down His life to pay the way
And with your last breath
You breathed life to our souls
The blood poured out Your veins
To cleanse our sin

One Righteous Man was slain
That many more were made
Behold the empty grave
Oh death could not lay claim
To the Son of God, He lives, He saves, He reigns!

Chorus 2

Oh God, we glorify Your name
Oh Lord, we praise Your Holy Name
And we will rejoice because He lives
And He's coming back again
Oh what grace poured out, we stand amazed

O Praise the Name

Verse 1

I cast my mind to Calvary
Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see His wounds, His hands, His feet
My Savior on that cursed tree

Verse 2

His body bound and drenched in tears
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb
The entrance sealed by heavy stone
Messiah still and all alone

Chorus

O praise the name of the Lord our God
O praise His name forever more
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord, oh Lord our God

Verse 3

Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting?
The angels roar for Christ the King

Verse 4

He shall return in robes of white
The blazing Son shall pierce the night
And I will rise among the saints
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

CALL TO CONFESSION

Seeing that we have a great High Priest who has entered the inmost heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us therefore approach the throne of grace with fullest confidence, that we may receive mercy for our failures and grace to help in the hour of need.

In the strength of this assurance, let us confess our sins to God.
—based on Hebrews 4:14, 16

SILENT CONFESSION

CORPORATE PRAYER

Almighty God,
in raising Jesus from the grave,
you shattered the power of sin and death.
We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear,
bound by the ways that lead to death.
We overlook the poor and the hungry
and pass by those who mourn;
we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed
and indifferent to calls for peace;
we despise the weak
and abuse the earth you made.

Forgive us, God of mercy.
Help us to trust your power
to change our lives and make us new,
that we may know the joy of life abundant
given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

"Death has been swallowed up in victory."
"Where, O death, is your victory?
Where, O death, is your sting?"
The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.
But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory
through our Lord Jesus Christ.
—1 Corinthians 15:54-57, NRSV

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalms 136

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.
- 2 Give thanks to the God of gods, for his steadfast love endures forever.
- 3 Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his steadfast love endures forever;

- 4 to him who alone does great wonders, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 5 to him who by understanding made the heavens, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 6 to him who spread out the earth above the waters, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 7 to him who made the great lights, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 8 the sun to rule over the day, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 9 the moon and stars to rule over the night, for his steadfast love endures forever;

- 10 to him who struck down the firstborn of Egypt, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 11 and brought Israel out from among them, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 12 with a strong hand and an outstretched arm, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 13 to him who divided the Red Sea in two, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 14 and made Israel pass through the midst of it, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 15 but overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red Sea, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 16 to him who led his people through the wilderness, for his steadfast love endures forever;

- 17 to him who struck down great kings, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 18 and killed mighty kings, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 19 Sihon, king of the Amorites, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 20 and Og, king of Bashan, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 21 and gave their land as a heritage, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 22 a heritage to Israel his servant, for his steadfast love endures forever.

- 23 It is he who remembered us in our low estate, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 24 and rescued us from our foes, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 25 he who gives food to all flesh, for his steadfast love endures forever.

- 26 Give thanks to the God of heaven, for his steadfast love endures forever.

OFFERING & RESPONSE SONG

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Living Hope

Verse 1

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation, I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night

Then through the darkness, Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished, the end is written
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Verse 2

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame

The cross has spoken, I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Chorus

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Verse 3

Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me

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Jesus, Yours is the victory, whoa!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please continue to pray for our Senior Pastor, the Elders and Pastoral Staff.
- **Ministry Zoom Meetings:** As we practice physical distancing, we want to encourage our members to still engage in community through social closeness. We plan to do this through Ministry Zoom Meetings. You should have received our newsletter and a reminder email this morning with links to different zoom meetings. There are three “life stage” type groups where you can drop in on the zoom meeting and say hi, catch up, bring prayer requests. There are also two prayer meetings where you can come and pray together with others in our ministry. We hope to see your lovely faces and hear from you this week!
 - Care/Need: If you or someone you know has a specific need, please don't hesitate to reach out to your prayer group leader or Pastor Peter.
- **2020 Bible Reading Plan:** Deacon Peter Kim leads an online Bible reading community. If you have any questions or would like to sign up, please contact Deacon Peter Kim.
- **Online Giving:** Please go to <https://www.bcpcem.org/give>. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Peter.

BENEDICTION

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God's Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, remain with you always. — based on Philippians 4:7