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MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Kingdomtide
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Quotes for reflection:

It was no wonder that [Christ's] human nature revealed itself with the cry, "If it be possible, let this cup pass from Me." But hardly was it uttered when that beautiful 'nevertheless' was sent to recall it: "Not My will but Thine be done."

—William Blaikie

Under all providences, maintain a contented heart with what the Lord allots you, be it more or less of the things of the world. This grace must run parallel with all providences. Learn how to be full, and how to suffer want, and in every state to be content.

—John Flavel

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

It is God Himself who calls His people to worship. We do not call ourselves: the King opens His gates and welcomes us into His courts.

Gospel Invitation—John 6:40

Jesus said, “For this is the will of My Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in Him should have eternal life, and I will raise Him up on the last day.”

Sung Response—O Worship The King, Vs. 1

The musical score is written for two voices (Soprano and Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in 3/4 time and the key of D major (indicated by two sharps). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with the lyrics written below the notes. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes that support the vocal lines.

O wor-ship the King, all glor-ious a - bove, O grate-ful-ly sing His pow'r and His love;

Our shield and de-fend-er, the An-cient of Days, pa-vil-ioned in splen-dor, and gird-ed with praise.

Text: Robert Grant, 1833, based on Psalm 104;
Music: LYONS, Joseph Martin Kraus, 1784.

Call to Worship—Psalm 95:1-7

Pastor: Oh come, let us sing to the Lord! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation.

All: Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms.

Reader 1: For the Lord is the great God, and the great King above all gods.

Reader 2: In His hand are the deep places of the earth; the heights of the hills are His also.

Pastor: The sea is His, for He made it; and His hands formed the dry land.

All: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; Let us kneel before the Lord our maker.

Pastor: For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

Congregational Hymn—O The Deep, Deep Love Of Jesus

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords, with occasional triplets in the right hand. The vocal lines are written in a simple, accessible style, with lyrics printed below the notes. The lyrics are in English and describe the deep love of Jesus.

O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Vast, un - mea - sured, bound - less, free;
O *the* deep, deep love of Je - sus! Spread His praise from shore to shore;
O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Love of ev - 'ry love the best;

Roll - ing as a might-y o - cean in its full - ness o - ver me.
How He lov - eth, ev - er lov - eth, chang - eth nev - er, nev - er - more;
'Tis an o - cean vast of bless - ing, 'tis a ha - ven sweet of rest.

Un - der - neath me, all a - round me, is the cur - rent of Thy love;
How He watch - es o'er His loved ones, died to call them all His own;
O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! 'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;

Lead - ing on - ward, lead - ing home - ward, to Thy glo - rious rest a - bove.
How for them He in - ter - ced - eth, watch - eth o'er them from the throne.
And it lifts me up to glo - ry, for it lifts me up to Thee.

Text: Samuel Trevor Francis, 1890; Music: EBENEZER, Thomas John Williams, 1890.

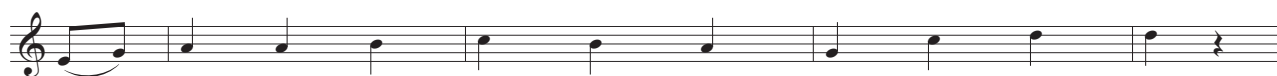
GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

The Bible is the means by which God graciously reveals Himself to His people—so we listen, read, and study with expectant hearts. In His Word, God particularly calls us to sing psalms: while all Scripture is appropriate for hymns and spiritual songs, there is a specific exhortation for us to use the Psalter as the church’s songbook.

Congregational Psalm—The Lord Reigns Above (Psalm 97)



The Lord reigns a - bove, let the earth sing for joy;
Fire blaz - es be - fore Him and burns up His foes,
All mak - ers of im - a - ges go down to shame:
Love God and hate e - vil; stand fast, do not faint.



Let — all the glad coast - lands now lift up their voice!
His — light - nings light up the whole world down be - low.
Your i - dols are worth - less— give praise to His name!
The — Lord will keep safe all the lives of His saints;



Storm clouds and thick dark - ness He wears like a robe;
The mount - ains shall melt like the wax in a flame;
The daugh - ters of Ju - dah shall hear and de - light,
Light shines on the right - eous, and shall not de - part,



Seek just - ice, you men, at the foot of His throne.
His — glo - ry, you peo - ple, see heav - en pro - claim. TO CHORUS
Be - cause the Lord’s judg - ments shall ev - er be right.
Great joy shall rain down on the up - right in heart. TO CHORUS

Chorus



We praise You, O Lord! ——— You are high o - ver all of the earth! ———



Re - joice in the Lord! ——— He’s ex - al - ted a - bove all the gods— all oth - er gods.

Text: based on Psalm 97:1-12, Henry C. Haffner, 2025;
Music: BLACK MOUNTAIN, Henry C. Haffner, 2025.

Scripture Reading—Luke 9:51-62

When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, He set His face to go to Jerusalem. And He sent messengers ahead of Him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for Him. But the people did not receive Him, because His face was set toward Jerusalem. And when His disciples James and John saw it, they said, “Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?” But He turned and rebuked them. And they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to Him, “I will follow you wherever you go.” And Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head.” To another He said, “Follow me.” But he said, “Lord, let me first go and bury my father.” And Jesus said to him, “Leave the dead to bury their own dead. But as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” Yet another said, “I will follow You, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home.” Jesus said to him, “No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Congregational Hymn—O Put Your Trust In God



O put your trust in God, in du - ty's path go on;
Though years on years roll on, His cov' - nant shall en - dure;
Through waves, and clouds, and storms, His pow'r will clear your way;



Walk in His strength with faith and hope, so shall your work be done.
Though clouds and dark - ness hide His path, the prom - ised grace is sure.
Wait on His time, the dark - est night shall end in bright - est day.



Com - mit your ways to Him, your works in - to His hands,
Give to the winds your fears; hope, and be un - dis - mayed;
Leave to His sover - eign sway to choose and to com - mand;



And rest on His un - chang - ing Word, who Heav'n and Earth com - mands.
God hears your sighs and counts your tears; God shall lift up your head.
So shall you, wond' - ring, own His way, How wise, how strong His hand.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1656, tr. John Wesley, 18th century;
Music: TERRA BEATA, Franklin L. Sheppard, 1915.

Sermon Text—Acts 21:1-14

And when we had parted from them and set sail, we came by a straight course to Cos, and the next day to Rhodes, and from there to Patara. ² And having found a ship crossing to Phoenicia, we went aboard and set sail. ³ When we had come in sight of Cyprus, leaving it on the left we sailed to Syria and landed at Tyre, for there the ship was to unload its cargo. ⁴ And having sought out the disciples, we stayed there for seven days. And through the Spirit they were telling Paul not to go on to Jerusalem. ⁵ When our days there were ended, we departed and went on our journey, and they all, with wives and children, accompanied us until we were outside the city. And kneeling down on the beach, we prayed ⁶ and said farewell to one another. Then we went on board the ship, and they returned home.

⁷ When we had finished the voyage from Tyre, we arrived at Ptolemais, and we greeted the brothers and stayed with them for one day. ⁸ On the next day we departed and came to Caesarea, and we entered the house of Philip the evangelist, who was one of the seven, and stayed with him. ⁹ He had four unmarried daughters, who prophesied. ¹⁰ While we were staying for many days, a prophet named Agabus came down from Judea. ¹¹ And coming to us, he took Paul's belt and bound his own feet and hands and said, "Thus says the Holy Spirit, 'This is how the Jews at Jerusalem will bind the man who owns this belt and deliver him into the hands of the Gentiles.'" ¹² When we heard this, we and the people there urged him not to go up to Jerusalem. ¹³ Then Paul answered, "What are you doing, weeping and breaking my heart? For I am ready not only to be imprisoned but even to die in Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus." ¹⁴ And since he would not be persuaded, we ceased and said, "Let the will of the Lord be done."

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sung Response—O Lord, Teach Me To Follow You (Psalm 27), Vs. 4

With pa - tience wait up - on the Lord, O let your strength be great;

And so let cour - age fill your heart as on the Lord you wait.

The musical score is written for two staves, treble and bass clef, in 3/4 time. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is primarily in the treble clef, with the bass clef providing a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across measures.

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Text: Psalm 27:14; Music: LOUISE, Robert M. Copland, 1972.

Sermon—*The Bound Man*

—Pastor, James Crampton

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESSION, REPENTANCE, AND RECONCILIATION

The people of God respond to His Word by confessing their sins, repenting of their sinful ways, and seeking God's favor through the reconciling work of Jesus, the Son of God.

Confession of Sin—based on Isaiah 50:4-7 (NKJV)

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing. You are the Lord God who gave Jesus the tongue of the learned, that He should know how to speak a word in season to him who is weary. You awakened Jesus morning by morning, You awakened His ear to hear as the learned.

All: The Lord God opened our ear, but we were rebellious and turned away.

Pastor: But Jesus gave His back to those who struck Him, and His cheeks to those who plucked out the beard; He did not hide His face from shame and spitting.

All: Oh Lord God, help us. Let us not be disgraced; let us not be ashamed.

Assurance of Pardon—Isaiah 50:8-9; Titus 2:11-14

He who vindicates me is near; who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me. Behold, the Lord God helps me; who will declare me guilty? Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

Pastor: This is the promise of God.

All: This is the Word of the Lord.

Pastor: For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age.

All: And so we await our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ.

Sung Response—O Thou In Whose Presence, Vs. 5



Dear Shep-herd, I hear and will fol-low Thy call; I know the sweet sound of Thy voice.



Re - store and de - fend me, for Thou art my all, and in Thee I will ev - er re - joice.

Text: Joseph Swain, 1791; Music: DAVIS, Freeman Lewis, 1813.

GOD INVITES HIS PEOPLE TO FELLOWSHIP WITH HIM

God feeds the faith of His people by giving them a meal. As God fellowships with them in faith, His people pledge their obedience to God and their love for one another.

Profession of Faith—The Apostles' Creed

We believe in God:

The Father Almighty, the Creator of Heaven and Earth;

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,

Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,

Was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into Hell.

On the third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into Heaven and now sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,

From whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit; the one holy church—both visible and invisible;

The communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;

The resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.

Amen.

Sursum Corda

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth. Therefore, we praise You, Triune God, and we join our voices with the angels, the archangels, and the whole company of Heaven in this hymn of eternal praise:

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly is the Lord God Al - might - y,

Heav'n and Earth are full of Thy glor - y, glor - y be un - to Thee,

O Lord most high, O Lord most high, O Lord most high, A - men.

Text: Traditional, based on Isaiah 6:3, Revelation 4:8;

Music: Nathan George, 2013.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND THE LORD'S TABLE

This table is open to all baptized Christians who have made a profession of faith. You may come forward to receive the bread and wine or grape juice.

Congregational Hymn—Calm Content



Fierce pass - ions rise and toss the mind as tem - pests turn the sea;
In vain by rea - son and by rule we try to bend our will;
So teach us, then, by hum - ble means, — whe - ther rich or poor,



But calm con - tent and peace we find when, Lord, we turn to Thee;
For none but in the Sav - ior's school can learn the heav'n - ly skill;
In times of hun - ger help us lean up - on the grac - ious stores—



Lord, we turn to Thee.
Teach us, Lord, heav'n - ly skill.
Christ, our Grac - ious — Store.

Chorus



We would find our souls at rest with - in Your care.



We would learn to be con - ent with when and where You lead,



Lord

Text: John Newton, 1779; refrain and vs. 3, Nathan George, 2012;
Music: CONTENT, Nathan George, 2012.

Congregational Hymn—Trust and Obey



When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word, what a glo - ry He sheds on our way!
Not a bur - den we bear, not a sor - row we share, but our toil He doth rich - ly re - pay;
But we nev - er can prove the de - lights of His love un - til all on the al - tar we lay;
Then in fel - low-ship sweet we will sit at His feet, or we'll walk by His side in the way;



While we do His good will, He a - bides with us still, and with all who will trust and o - bey.
Not a grief or a loss, not a frown or a cross, but is blest if we trust and o - bey.
For the fa - vor He shows, for the joy He be - stows, are for them who will trust and o - bey.
What He says we will do, where He sends we will go; nev - er fear, on - ly trust and o - bey.



Trust and o - bey, for there's no oth - er way to be hap - py in Je - sus, but to trust and o - bey.



Text: John H. Sammis, 1887;
Music: TRUST AND OBEY, Daniel B. Towner, 1887.

GOD’S PEOPLE GRATEFULLY RESPOND WITH THEIR PETITIONS, TITHES & OFFERINGS, AND PRAISE

Praying, serving, and giving are essential aspects of worship, moving our faith from our heads and hearts into our lives and callings. Offering boxes for both tithes and alms are located in the foyer.

Pastoral Prayer

Corporate Prayer—*The Lord’s Prayer*

Our Father, who art in Heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done,
On Earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
As we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom,
And the power, and the glory, forever.

Amen.

Congregational Hymn—All For Jesus

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time. The key signature has one sharp (F#), indicating D major. The melody is primarily in the soprano part, with the other parts providing harmonic support. The lyrics are printed below the staves.

All for Je - sus, all for Je - sus! All my be - ing's ran - somed powers:
Let my hands per - form His bid - ding, let my feet run in His ways;
World - lings prize their gems of beau - ty, cling to gild - ed toys of dust,
Since my eyes were fixed on Je - sus, I've lost sight of all be - side;
Oh, what won - der! How a - ma - zing! Je - sus, glor - ious King of kings,

All my thoughts and words and do - ings, all my days and all my hours.
Let my eyes see Je - sus on - ly, let my lips speak forth His praise.
Boast of wealth and fame and plea - sure; on - ly Je - sus will I trust.
So en - chained my spir - it's vis - ion, look - ing at the cru - ci - fied.
Deigns to call me His be - lov - ed, lets me rest be - neath His wings.

Text: Mary D. James, 1889; Music: WYCLIFF, John Stainer, 1887.

GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT

After calling His people into His presence, forgiving their sins, instructing them in His Word, and providing a foretaste of the marriage supper of the Lamb, God sends His people into the world to show His light in the darkness.

Benediction—2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. *Amen.*

Sung Response—Unto Christ Who Loved Us



Un-to Christ, who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood,

And has made us kings and priests un - to God and His Fa - ther:

Un-to Him be glo-ry and do-min-ion for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The musical notation is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line. The second staff continues the melody. The third staff ends with a double bar line.

CCLI #2844402 ©1936 Oxford University Press; Text: Revelation 1:5-6;
Music: UNTO HIM WHO LOVED US, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1936.

Announcements

Worship Notes:

Tension slowly continues to build as we follow Paul on his journey back to Jerusalem where he will ultimately be arrested. Though his companions urge him to abandon the trip, Paul is determined: he insists “I am ready,” and they respond, “Let the will of the Lord be done” (Acts 20:13-14). I can imagine Paul singing some of the hymns we’ll sing in this morning’s service, expressing his determination to follow the path God has set forth. Surely lines such as “leading onward, leading homeward” (*O The Deep, Deep Love Of Jesus*), “in duty’s path go on” (*O Put Your Trust In God*), “I hear and will follow Thy call” (*O Thou In Whose Presence*), “We would learn to be content with when and where You lead” (*Calm Content*), and “what He says we will do, where He sends we will go” (*Trust And Obey*) would resonate with a man willing to go to his doom for the sake of the Gospel. The Lord calls all of us at times to walk through trials and hardships. I pray that we would all take inspiration from Paul’s example and from these hymns we sing. May “courage fill your heart as on the Lord You wait” (*O Lord, Teach Me To Follow You—Psalm 27*). May we be able to say, like doubtless Paul would, “Let my hands perform Thy bidding, let my feet run in His ways” (*All For Jesus*).

—Henry C. Haffner

Key Words: Parting, Holy Spirit, Pray, Brothers, Voyage, Prophet, Bind, Will

Keystone Verses: Then Paul answered, “What are you doing, weeping and breaking my heart? For I am ready not only to be imprisoned but even to die in Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus.” (Acts 21:13)



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