

January 24 2021
10:30 AM

GOD CALLS AND CLEANSSES US

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 139:1-6, 13-14, 23-24

LEADER: Lord, You have searched me and known me.
You know when I sit down and when I get up;
You understand my thought from far away.
You scrutinize my path and my lying down,
And are acquainted with all my ways.
Even before there is a word on my tongue,
Behold, Lord, You know it all.
You have encircled me behind and in front,
And placed Your hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
It is too high, I cannot comprehend it.
For You created my innermost parts;
You wove me in my mother's womb.
I will give thanks to You, because I am awesomely and
wonderfully made; Wonderful are Your works,
And my soul knows it very well.
Search me, God, and know my heart;
Put me to the test and know my anxious thoughts;
And see if there is any hurtful way in me,
And lead me in the everlasting way.

Prayer of Invocation

Worship Singing

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

What a Friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
ev'rything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
ev'rything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged:
take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful,
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness—
take it to the Lord in prayer!

Are we weak and heavy-laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge—
take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield thee;
thou wilt find a solace there.

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

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Confession of Faith

**ALL: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and
invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,**

**God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one essence with the
Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us and for our salvation came down from
heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered and was buried;
and the third day He rose again according to the
Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
and He shall come again,
with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together
is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets;
and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Ministry Update

Kristi Brown
Executive Director
Mountain Area Pregnancy Services

Worship through Giving

Musical Offering

His Eye is on the Sparrow
Martin/Gabriel
Arr. Brent Edstrom
Anthony Moore, piano

GOD SPEAKS TO US

Sermon

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Joe Mullen

How the Gospel Grows

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

²We always give thanks to God for all of you, making mention of you in our prayers; ³constantly keeping in mind your work of faith and labor of love and perseverance of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the presence of our God and Father. ⁴knowing, brothers and sisters, beloved by God, His choice of you; ⁵for our gospel did not come to you in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sakes. ⁶You also became imitators of us and of the Lord, having received the word during great affliction with the joy of the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia. ⁸For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you, not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place the news of your faith toward God has gone out, so that we have no need to say anything. ⁹For they themselves report about us as to the kind of reception we had with you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve a living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, that is, Jesus who rescues us from the wrath to come.

I. Fertile Soil (1-5)

II. Fruitful Labor (6-10)

GOD SENDS US

Closing Songs

We Cry Abba, Father

Father forgive us for turning away from the grace of Christ.
Perverting the gospel or seeking no gospel at all.
Our flesh seeks to please man, not You.
We've turned to the law for the way.
Help us to love what is true: the just shall live by faith.

REFRAIN: *We cry Abba, Father! For we are not slaves anymore.
We cry Abba, Father! We are not slaves; we've been adopted as sons.*

For if righteousness comes from the law,
then Christ surely died in vain.
He gave Himself for all our sin
and rose to Your right hand to reign! **REFRAIN**

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Who You Say I Am

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me
I was lost but He brought me in, Oh, His love for me
Oh His love for me

*Who the Son sets free, Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God, Yes I am*

Free at last, He has ransomed me, His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me
Yes He died for me

*Who the Son sets free, Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God, Yes I am*

*In my Father's house there's a place for me
I'm a child of God, Yes I am*

I am chosen not forsaken; I am who You say I am

You are for me not against me; I am who You say I am
I am chosen not forsaken; I am who You say I am
You are for me not against me; I am who You say I am
Oh I am who You say I am

*Who the Son sets free, Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God, Yes I am*

*In my Father's house there's a place for me
I'm a child of God, Yes I am (**repeat**)*

Who You Say I Am

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God's Promise of His Presence and Blessing