

**August 1, 2021**

**10:30 AM**

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## **GOD CALLS US**

**\*Gathering Hymn**

*God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory (TH #122)*

Beethoven

God, all nature sings thy glory, and thy works proclaim thy might;  
ordered vastness in the heavens, ordered course of day and night;  
beauty in the changing seasons, beauty in the storming sea;  
all the changing moods of nature praise the changeless Trinity.

Clearer still we see thy hand in man whom thou hast made for thee;  
ruler of creation's glory, image of thy majesty.  
Music, art, the fruitful garden, all the labor of his days,  
are the calling of his Maker to the harvest feast of praise.

God of glory, power, mercy, all creation praises thee;  
we, thy creatures, would adore thee now and through eternity.  
Saved to magnify thy goodness, grant us strength to do thy will;  
with our acts as with our voices thy commandments to fulfill.

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## **Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

Psalm 104:31-35

**LEADER:** May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the  
LORD rejoice in his works,

**PEOPLE:** **who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches  
the mountains and they smoke!**

**LEADER:** I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing  
praise to my God while I have being.

**PEOPLE:** **May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice  
in the LORD.**

**LEADER:** Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the  
wicked be no more!

**ALL:** **Bless the LORD, O my soul! Praise the LORD!**

**\*Hymn of Praise**

*To God Be the Glory (TH #55)*

Doane

To God be the glory, great things he has done!  
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life-gate that we may go in.

*Refrain:*

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory, great things he has done!*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!  
To ev'ry believer the promise of God;  
the vilest offender who truly believes,  
that moment from Jesus forgiveness receives.

*Refrain*

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,  
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
but purer and higher and greater will be  
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

*Refrain*

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## **GOD CLEANSSES US**

### **Corporate Confessions of Faith and Sin**

Questions 1-3, 14, 16-17, 21,  
From Westminster Shorter Catechism (Modern)

**LEADER:** What is the main purpose of mankind?

**PEOPLE:** **Mankind's main purpose is to glorify God and to enjoy him forever.**

LEADER: What rule has God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him?

PEOPLE: **The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him.**

LEADER: What do the Scriptures primarily teach?

PEOPLE: **The Scriptures primarily teach what we are to believe concerning God and what duty God requires of us.**

LEADER: What is sin?

PEOPLE: **Sin is any lack of conformity to, or transgression of, the law of God.**

LEADER: Did all mankind fall in Adam's first transgression?

PEOPLE: **Because the covenant was made with Adam not only for himself, but also for his posterity, all mankind descending from him by natural generation sinned in him and fell with him in his first transgression.**

LEADER: What state did the fall bring for mankind?

PEOPLE: **The fall brought mankind to a state of sin and misery.**

LEADER: Who is the redeemer of God's elect?

PEOPLE: **The only redeemer of God's chosen ones is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was and continues to be God and man in two wholly distinct natures and one person, forever.**

LEADER: Lord, have mercy.

PEOPLE: **Christ, have mercy.**

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

**Silent Confession of Sin**

## Song of Confession

*God Be Merciful to Me*

Miner

God, be merciful to me, on thy grace I rest my plea;  
plenteous in compassion thou, blot out my transgressions now;  
wash me, make me pure within, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

My transgressions I confess, grief and guilt my soul oppress;  
I have sinned against thy grace and provoked thee to thy face;  
I confess thy judgement just, speechless, I thy mercy trust.

I am evil, born in sin; thou desirest truth within.  
Thou alone my Saviour art, teach thy wisdom to my heart;  
make me pure, thy grace bestow, wash me whiter than the snow.

Broken, humbled to the dust by thy wrath and judgement just,  
let my contrite heart rejoice and in gladness hear thy voice;  
from my sins O hide thy face, blot them out in boundless grace.

Gracious God, my heart renew, make my spirit right and true.  
Cast me not away from thee, let thy Spirit dwell in me;  
thy salvation's joy impart, steadfast make my willing heart.

Sinners then shall learn from me, and return O God to thee.  
Savior all my guilt remove, and my tongue shall sing thy love.  
Touch my silent lips, O Lord, and my mouth shall praise accord.

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### \*Assurance of Pardon

1 John 1:7-9

LEADER: But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

### Pastoral Prayer

## Worship Through Giving

*I Surrender All*

Trad., arr. Greg Howlett; Christopher Aitken, piano solo

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## GOD SPEAKS TO US

**Sermon**

**Ephesians 1:3-14**

**Rev. Joe Mullen**

*The Five Imperatives: God's Glory Alone*

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ <sup>4</sup> just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love <sup>5</sup> He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will, <sup>6</sup> to the praise of the glory of His grace, which He freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup> In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace <sup>8</sup> which He lavished on us. In all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup> He made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His kind intention which He purposed in Him <sup>10</sup> with a view to an administration suitable to the fullness of the times, that is, the summing up of all things in Christ, things in the heavens and things on the earth. In Him <sup>11</sup> also we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to His purpose who works all things after the counsel of His will, <sup>12</sup> to the end that we who were the first to hope in Christ would be to the praise of His glory. <sup>13</sup> In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation—having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise, <sup>14</sup> who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, with a view to the redemption of God's own possession, to the praise of His glory. **NASB 1995**

**LEADER:** The Word of the Lord.

**ALL:** **Thanks be to God!**

# GOD STRENGTHENS US

## Celebration of the Lord's Supper

### \*Communion Songs

### *Come Praise and Glorify*

Kauflin

Come praise and glorify our God, the Father of our Lord.  
In Christ He has, in heav'nly realms, His blessings on us poured.  
For pure and blameless in His sight He destined us to be,  
and now we've been adopted through His Son eternally...

*Refrain:*

*To the praise of Your glory,  
to the praise of Your mercy and grace.  
To the praise of Your glory;  
You are the God who saves!*

Come praise and glorify our God, Who gives His grace in Christ.  
In Him our sins are washed away, redeemed through sacrifice.  
In Him, God has made known to us, the myst'ry of His will,  
that Christ should be the head of all, His purpose to fulfill...

*Refrain*

Come praise and glorify our God, for we've believed the Word,  
and through our faith we have a seal, the Spirit of the Lord.  
The Spirit guarantees our hope until redemption's done,  
until we join in endless praise to God, the Three in One.

*Refrain x 2*

### *There Is a Redeemer*

Green-Sievright

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son.  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

*Refrain:*

*Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son,  
and leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.*

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names.  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,  
hope for sinners slain.

*Refrain*

When I stand in glory I will see His face.  
There I'll serve my King forever,  
in that holy place.

*Refrain x 2*

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name! (TH #296)*

Perronet/Holden

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;  
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all;  
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall,  
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all;  
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, on this terrestrial ball,  
to him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all;  
to him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall;  
we'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all;  
we'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.

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## **GOD SENDS US**

### **\*God's Promise of His Presence and Blessing**