

Let Us Worship God!

November 14, 2021 – 10:30 AM Pentecost 25 – WI-62 WO-89

A Hybrid Worship Experience In-Person and Online Today's worship team—Music Director: Jayne McDonough. Worship Leader: Barbara Cain. Message: Norris Clark. Worship Production: Max Moran.

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WORSHIP PREVIEW

We welcome back to the pulpit, ruling elder Mr. Norris Clark while Pastor Kevin and Melissa are on vacation. After our energizing Countdown Video, our first hymn is *O Lord My God (How Great Thou Art)*. This tuneful retelling of the salvation story began in Swedish and was translated into German and Russian before reaching its English form. Truly an international hymn of praise! Despite such linguistic and musical revisions, it continues to be a meaningful source of comfort to many people.

Our second hymn is *Blessed Assurance*. Sometimes this prolific 19th-century hymn writer Fanny Jane Crosby wrote texts for others to set, and sometimes she created words for music others had composed. This text was of the second kind, and the resulting close fit between words and music has made them both popular and inseparable.

GREETING OF IN-PERSON WORSHIPPERS: NORRIS CLARK	(10:24)
COUNTDOWN TO WORSHIP	(10:24)
PRELUDE: JAYNE McDonough	(10:27)
WELCOME: NORRIS CLARK	(10:32)

We worship God who created us to experience real life. God loves us, inhabits our world, and indwells our lives. We see God at work within ourselves, beyond ourselves, as we read Scripture and pray, worship and give, and as we serve others together, work for peace, and demonstrate God's love. Let us worship God!

GOD WELCOMES ALL (SING LIGHTLY):

(1-10:34)

God welcomes all, strangers and friends; God's love is strong, and it never ends.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (UNISON):

Loving God, keep our hearts and minds open to the Good News as we learn, grow, and serve. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: LAMENTATIONS 3:22-33

God's loyal love couldn't have run out,
his merciful love couldn't have dried up.
They're created new every morning.
How great your faithfulness!
I'm sticking with God (I say it over and over).
He's all I've got left.

God proves to be good to the man who passionately waits, to the woman who diligently seeks.

It's a good thing to quietly hope, quietly hope for help from God.

It's a good thing when you're young to stick it out through the hard times.

When life is heavy and hard to take, go off by yourself. Enter the silence. Bow in prayer. Don't ask questions:

Wait for hope to appear.

Don't run from trouble. Take it full-face.

The "worst" is never the worst.

Why? Because the Master won't ever walk out and fail to return.

If he works severely, he also works tenderly. His stockpiles of loyal love are immense. He takes no pleasure in making life hard, in throwing roadblocks in the way:

MESSAGE FOR KIDS: NORRIS CLARK

(10:34)

PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 15:1-7

(10:38)

By this time a lot of men and women of questionable reputation were hanging around Jesus, listening intently. The Pharisees and religion scholars were not pleased, not at all pleased. They growled, "He takes in sinners and eats meals with them, treating them like old friends." Their grumbling triggered this story.

"Suppose one of you had a hundred sheep and lost one. Wouldn't you leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the lost one until you found it? When found, you can be sure you would put it across your shoulders, rejoicing, and when you got home call in your friends and neighbors, saying, 'Celebrate with me! I've found my lost sheep!' Count on it—there's more joy in heaven over one sinner's rescued life than over ninety-nine good people in no need of rescue.

MESSAGE: BECOMING MORE SPIRITUAL, NOT MORE RELIGIOUS!

NORRIS CLARK

PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION:

MUSIC VIDEO LYRICS - HOW GREAT THOU ART - BLUE HYMNAL #467

1. O Lord my God
When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds
Thy hands have made
I see the stars
I hear the rolling thunder
Thy pow'r thru'out
The universe displayed

Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art
Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art!

2. When through the woods
And forest glades I wander
And hear the birds
Sing sweetly in the trees
When I look down
From lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook
And feel the gentle breeze

Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art
Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art!

3. And when I think
That God His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die
I scarce can take it in
That on the cross
My burden gladly bearing
He bled and died
To take away my sin

Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art
Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art!

4. When Christ shall come
With shout of acclamation
And take me home
What joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow
In humble adoration
And there proclaim
My God how great Thou art

Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art
Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art!

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

(10:55)

God loves you and nothing separates you from God's love. In a spirit of gratitude and joy, let us pray together:

PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS

(10:55)

Good morning God, our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer. Thank you for your grace and mercy. Forgive us when we hurt or neglect others, missing opportunities to live like Jesus. When we waver, help us feel your presence. When we doubt, comfort us by your strength. When we stop listening to your Spirit, realign us. When we forget, remind us. When we cry out, send your tenderness in another. Please help us to hear the cries of others and turn us toward them. When we go out, let us shine with your glory and light. Help us to love, hope, and forgive, welcoming all through Christ, our Lord. Amen. SILENT REFLECTION

HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE

In the name of Jesus Christ, the risen and rising Lord, God loves and forgives us to live like Christ and a life of faith, justice, and peace.

Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! AMEN.

THE GLORIA (SING LIGHTLY)

(3) (10:57)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

GIFTS OF GRATITUDE: GENERAL FUND AND DEACONS FUND

(11:04)

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above the heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

COMMUNITY NEWS:



Happy Birthday to Amanda Dodd (11/18) and Trudie Schroeder (11/22). Anniversary blessings to Joe & Roseann Paulits (11/23)!



On Monday, November 22, 2021, you're invited to **decorate the Red Brick Church for Christmas!** We will be meeting to decorate the inside and outside, weather permitting. from 10:00 am to approx. 1:00 PM. Come when you can, leave when you need to. Contact Beverly Mate for more information (609) 847-1530.



Wreaths Across America Tradition Saturday, December 18, 2021, 12 PM

Our annual *Wreaths Across America* event will be held Saturday, December 18, 2021, at noon in the veterans' section of Cold Spring Cemetery.

Consider purchasing online, click here.

Or, complete the Order Form that is available Sundays in the Narthex or Tuesday-Thursday in the Church Office. Thank you!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

(11:06)

God cares about us and loves us as we share our concerns with God and one another. We pray for others worldwide and nearby who need shelter, food, employment, healing, and wholeness in mind, body, and spirit. God, grant us peace as we embrace life's challenges in Christ's hope. We are praying for those suffering from Covid-19 and other illnesses, and those who serve in healthcare, emergency response, law enforcement, education, business, government, and the military.

Let us pray: For Charles Keister, that he would feel better and regain strength. For the friends and family of Lydia Richey on her passing; McDonough and King Families on the passing of cousin Jesse to cancer. Continued healing for Fred, Lenore, and for all of us to be well and stay safe. We pray for John Stalford's relief from back pain. Max and Ana Moran in the loss of her Father and Grandmother to covid, pray for her Mother in critical condition from covid. Max in the loss of his Uncle; Nathalie Rodriguez recently diagnosed with Hashimoto's disease and experiencing complications; prayers for Coco's health.

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

(11:07)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom comes, 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.

(11:08)

FRESH EXPRESSION OF COMMUNITY

(11:09)

Once we were strangers, **Now we are neighbors.** Once we were strangers, **Now we are friends.**

MUSIC VIDEO: BLESSED ASSURANCE - BLUE HYMNAL #341

Blessed assurance Jesus is mine
O what a foretaste of glory divine
Heir of salvation purchase of God
Born of His Spirit washed in His blood
This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long

Perfect submission perfect delight
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight
Angels descending bring from above
Echoes of mercy whispers of love
This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long

Perfect submission all is at rest
I in my Savior am happy and blest
Watching and waiting looking above
Filled with His goodness lost in His love
This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
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BENEDICTION: NORRIS CLARK (11:13)
POSTLUDE: (11:14)

Go in peace, and serve in joy! Thank you for being with us! We hope that you felt spiritually energized by joining us today. All of our worship services are available for viewing and sharing at any time here. Please invite others to join you next week. We pray that you're staying safe wherever you are and wherever you go. May God bless you and those you love now and always.

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