

Sunday, January 3, 2021

Join us live on our Facebook or YouTube page beginning at 10:30 a.m.

#### Welcome and Announcements

#### **Opening Prayer**

Hymn: "All Glory Be to Christ"

Words: Dustin Kensrue. Music: Traditional Scottish tune ("Auld Lang Syne").

Should nothing of our efforts stand, no legacy survive; unless the Lord does raise the house, in vain its builders strive. To you who boast tomorrow's gain, tell me what is your life? A mist that vanishes at dawn, all glory be to Christ!

All glory be to Christ our King! All glory be to Christ! His rule and reign will ever sing, all glory be to Christ!

His will be done, His kingdom come, on earth as is above; Who is Himself our daily bread, praise Him the Lord of love. Let living water satisfy the thirsty without price, we'll take a cup of kindness yet, all glory be to Christ!

All glory be to Christ our King! All glory be to Christ! His rule and reign will ever sing, all glory be to Christ!

When on the day the great I Am, the Faithful and the True, the Lamb who was for sinners slain, is making all things new. Behold our God shall live with us and be our steadfast light, and we shall e'er His people be, all glory be to Christ!

All glory be to Christ our King! All glory be to Christ! His rule and reign will ever sing, all glory be to Christ!

#### Hymn: "See, He Comes"

Words: Charles Wesley. Music: Zach Sprowls and Rich Gunderlock.

See, He comes upon the clouds, Jesus Christ, our King appears. All the saints bought by His blood will rise to meet Him in the air. Earth and sea shall flee away, all creation waits and groans, for the Lord Redeemer comes to take His longing exiles home.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, come, O Lord, on earth to reign. Hallelujah, hallelujah, we await the coming day.

Those who mocked and scorned His name, pierced and nailed Him to the tree, deeply wail, in sorrow grieve, when they the true Messiah see. Ev'ry eye will see the Lord dressed in dreadful majesty; ev'ry knee shall bow before the Judge of all eternity.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, come, O Lord, on earth to reign. Hallelujah, hallelujah, we await the coming day.

Still He bears the holy scars: evidence of saving grace.

All the saints bought by His blood shall then rejoice to see His face.

Yes, amen, let all adore Christ on His eternal throne.

All the pow'r and might are Yours, come, claim the kingdom as Your own.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, come, O Lord, on earth to reign. Hallelujah, hallelujah, we await the coming day.

# Sermon: "The Revelation of Jesus Christ" Revelation 1:1–8 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup>The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show to his servants the things that must soon take place. He made it known by sending his angel to his servant John, <sup>2</sup> who bore witness to the word of God and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, even to all that he saw. <sup>3</sup> Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear, and who keep what is written in it, for the time is near.

<sup>4</sup> John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, <sup>5</sup> and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood <sup>6</sup> and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. <sup>7</sup>Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

<sup>8</sup> "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

#### Hymn: "The Communion Hymn"

Words and music by Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, and Stuart Townend

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us, and we remember the promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross. So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice as a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King. The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ, torn for you, eat and remember the wounds that heal, the death that brings us life paid the price to make us one. So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice as a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, shed for you, drink and remember He drained death's cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God. So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice as a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond, and to remember our call to follow in the steps of Christ as His body here on earth. As we share in His suffering we proclaim Christ will come again! And we'll join in the feast of heaven around the table of the King.\

### The Lord's Supper

#### Hymn: "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Words: Matthew Bridges and Godfrey Thring. Music: George J. Elvey.

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne; Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own; Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee, and hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown Him the Son of God, before the worlds began, and ye who tread where He hath trod, crown Him the Son of Man; who ev'ry grief hath known that wrings the human breast, and takes and bears them for His own, that all in Him may rest.

Crown Him the Lord of love, behold His hands and side, those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.

No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bends His wond'ring eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave, and rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save. His glories now we sing, who died, and rose on high, who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of lords, who over all doth reign, who once on earth, th'incarnate Word, for ransomed sinners slain, now lives in realms of light, where saints with angels sing their songs before Him day and night, their God, Redeemer, King.

## Benediction

## Revelation 22:20-21 (ESV)

<sup>20</sup> He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

<sup>21</sup> The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.