

Sunday, March 23, 2025

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

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship Psalm 150:1–6 (ESV)

¹ Praise the LORD!

- Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens!
- ² Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness!
- ³ Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!
- ⁴ Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!
- ⁵ Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!
- ⁶ Let everything that has breath praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!

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.

Hymn: "There Is a Redeemer"

Words and music: Melody Green.

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

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.

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

When I stand in Glory, I will see His face; there I'll serve my King forever in that Holy Place.

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

Hymn: "Before the Throne of God Above"

Words: Vikki Cook and Charitie Lees Bancroft. Music: Vikki Cook

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea: a great High Priest whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart; I know that while in heav'n He stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart, no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within,

upward I look and see Him there, who made an end to all my sin. Because the sinless Saviour died my sinful soul is counted free, for God the Just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me, to look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb, my perfect spotless righteousness, the great unchangeable "I Am," the King of glory and of grace. One with Himself, I cannot die; my soul is purchased with His blood. My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God, with Christ, my Savior and my God.

Time of Prayer

Sermon: "How Did We Get Here?" Genesis 3:1–7 (ESV)

¹Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made.

He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden??" ² And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, ³ but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.'" ⁴ But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. ⁵ For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶ So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. ⁷ Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

Hymn: "He Will Hold Me Fast"

Words: Ada Habershon, Matt Merker. Music: Matt Merker.

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast; when the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast. I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path; for my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast; For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast; precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast. He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last; Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast; For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast. For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast; Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast, Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast 'till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last!

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast; For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

Benediction

1 Thessalonians 5:23–24, 28

²³Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. ²⁴He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

²⁸ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.