

✠ ORDER OF WORSHIP ✠

June 13, 2021

Christian Education Sunday

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONG "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" by Rick Founds

CALL TO WORSHIP (paraphrased Psalms 92):

Leader: What a beautiful thing, God, to give thanks,

People: to sing an anthem to you, the High God!

Leader: To announce your love each daybreak,

People: sing your faithful presence all through the night,

Leader: How magnificent your work, God!

People: How profound your thoughts!

PRAISE SONG "Here I Am, Lord" by Daniel L. Schutte

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Loving God, we admit we are in trouble, living with lies and illusions. We want to live in a world free of godless sinners. But we can not even clear ourselves of sin by ourselves. We pray for Your help, but do not follow Your advice. Please help us to start the day in Your light, Lord, and to be more loving in all we say, think and do. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Even as we all have sinned

People: You, Lord, continue to love all creation and brings us to Your Sabbath.

Leader: You, Lord, continue to forgive us and holds us in Your loving family,

People: And lead us as we confess and repent.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE 1 Samuel 3:1-3, 5,11-12

CHILDREN'S SERMON "Jesus Loves Me This I Know"

ANTHEM "Carry Me Home" by Jean Anne Shafferman

SCRIPTURE Mark 4:26-34

SERMON "Always a Story"

*HYMN No. 43 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

OFFERING/OFFERTORY (plate outside sanctuary door)

*DOXOLOGY No. 625

PRAYER TIME-THANKSGIVING AND PASTORAL

LORD'S PRAYER

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

*HYMN No. 559 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

*CHORAL BENEDICTION "Friends"
by Michael W. Smith & Deborah D. Smith
sung by Doug Barton and Scott Miller

POSTLUDE

*Those who are able, please stand.

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Lord, I lift Your name on high.
Lord, I love to sing Your praises.
I'm so glad You're in my life.
I'm so glad You came to save us.

Chorus:

You came from heaven to earth
To show the way,
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay,
From the cross to the grave,
From the grave to the sky.
Lord, I lift Your name on high.

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Chorus (3x):

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To show the way,
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay,
From the cross to the grave,
From the grave to the sky.
Lord, I lift Your name on high.

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Verse 1:

I, the Lord of sun and sky,
I have heard My people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear My light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if You lead me.
I will hold Your people in my heart.

Verse 2:

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them;
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak My word to them.
Whom shall I send?

Refrain

Verse 3:

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give My life to them.
Whom shall I send?

Refrain

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Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Verse 1:

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided –
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Verse 2:

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Refrain

Verse 3:

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Refrain

Text: Thomas O. Chisolm

Music: *Faithfulness*, William M. Runyan

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Verse 1:

Come, ye thankful people, come –
Raise the song of harvest-home:
All is safely gathered in
Ere the winter storms begin.
God, our Maker, doth provide
For our wants to be supplied:
Come to God's own temple, come –
Raise the song of harvest-home.

Verse 2:

All the world is God's own field,
Fruit unto His praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown,
Unto joy or sorrow grown.
First the blade and then the ear,
Then the full corn shall appear:
Lord of harvest, grant that we
Wholesome grain and pure may be.

Verse 3:

For the Lord our God shall come
And shall take His harvest home;
From His field shall in that day
All offenses purge away;
Give His angels charge at last
In the fire the tares to cast,
But the fruitful ears to store
In His garner evermore.

Verse 4:

Even so, Lord, quickly come
To Thy final harvest-home;
Gather Thou Thy people in,
Free from sorrow, free from sin;
There, forever purified,
In Thy presence to abide:
Come, with all Thine angels, come –
Raise the glorious harvest-home.
Amen.

Text: Henry Alford
Music: George J. Elvey

**Monday Evening Six-Week Bible Study on Romans with
Dr. Charles "Buz" Myers of Gettysburg College
Starting This Monday, June 7, on Zoom**

Prayers

Sympathy for Johanna Mesmer's family and friends during this difficult time. Johanna passed on June 4th.

Dave Gross needs your prayers for healing.

Christian Education

Christian Education Sunday is today, June 13th. Please recognize all the work and dedication that has been accomplished during this past year.

Congratulations to Heidi Nydam ! Heidi is graduating from Dryden High School and will be attending Bates College in Maine.

Church Announcements

On June 20th, Father's Day, we will be changing the service time back to our summer 10:00 a.m. schedule.

Emancipation Day in Dryden- June 19, 2021

Noon at the Dryden Village Fountain.
Remembering the tragedy of American Slavery.

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Join us on Monday evenings, starting on June 7, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., when we are offering free programs by outstanding biblical teachers and times of discussion, fellowship and prayer. No prior Bible study experience is needed. We will have a six-session series on **Paul's Letter to the Romans**. **The Rev. Dr. Charles ("Buz") Myers**, one of the finest teachers and preachers in the Church today, will be leading us in live zoom talks (with opportunities to ask questions). Numerous times, the students and faculty at Gettysburg College have awarded him the top teaching prizes at their college. Dr. Myers is a highly respected biblical scholar who served as the Recording Secretary for the Committee that did the New Revised Standard Version Bible; he is also author of the Letter to the Romans article in the authoritative *Anchor Bible Dictionary* (multi-volume reference work) as well as *Mark's Gospel from Scratch: The New Testament for Beginners*, a popular book for adult study.



For many years Dr. Myers has been a volunteer teaching weekly Bible studies in the state prison. He has been an outstanding speaker for conferences and presbyteries with both lay people and ministers enjoying his teaching. Dr Myers is a very down-to-earth and approachable person who loves to help people make connections between faith and life.

The Discipleship Study Bible says that Paul's Letter to the Romans addresses the following questions:

- 1) How is the gospel about Jesus related to God's creation and government of the world and the justice people expect from God?
- 2) How is Christian faith related to the Jewish Scriptures, particularly the law of Moses? How should Jewish and Gentile Christians relate to one another?
- 3) What are God's future intentions, not only regarding persons inside the church, but also for persons on the outside and even for the nonhuman creation?
- 4) How should Christians understand their ongoing encounters with sin and death?
- 5) How ought Christians to go about their daily lives vis-à-vis other Christians as well as non-Christians (including representatives of a non-Christian government)? Can disagreements and doubts be part of the life of faith?



We hope you will join us for a time of learning and fellowship on Monday evenings (come to one or all of the Mondays in this series). If you have any questions about this series, please contact Pastor Bruce Gillette at pastorbrucegillette@gmail.com

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