

CHANGING LIVES THROUGH

SHARING CHRIST

Sent to Share the Savior!

I have but one passion: It is He, it is He alone. The world is the field and the field is the world. Henceforth that country shall be my home where I can be most used in winning souls for Christ.

Count Nicolaus Ludwig von Zinzendorf

If a commission by an earthly king is considered an honor, how can a commission by a Heavenly King be considered a sacrifice?

David Livingstone

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The playing of the chimes is a signal that the hour of our corporate worship has begun. During this time, we invite you to silently prepare your hearts to praise our Triune God to whom belongs all glory, power, and majesty.

(Please silence all phones and non-medical electronic devices.)

Hearing support is available. Please, ask an usher, audio technician, or Deacon Norm Marks.

Welcome

PASTOR GRAY

WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

* GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship — Revelation 15:3–4 (NIV);

Hebrews 12:28–29 (Pew Bible, p. 1286)

Pastor: Great and marvelous are your deeds, Lord God Almighty.

People: Just and true are your ways, King of the nations.

Pastor: Who will not fear you, Lord, and bring glory to your name? For you alone are holy.

People: All nations will come and worship before you.

Pastor: Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe,

All: for our God is a consuming fire.

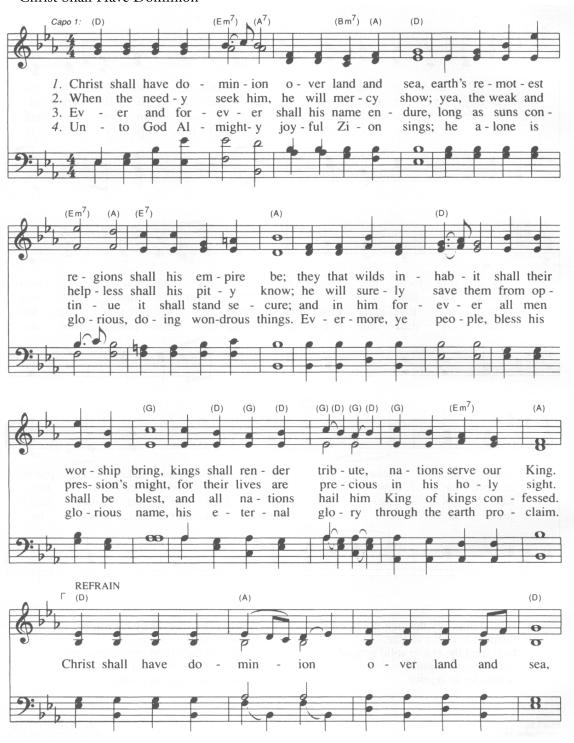
* Hymn (Trinity #439) — Christ Shall Have Dominion (music next page)

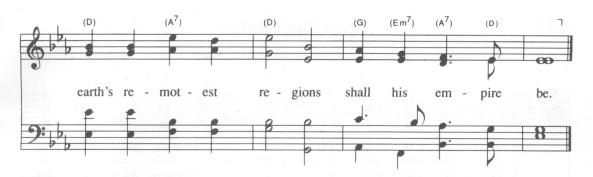
* PRAYER OF INVOCATION (followed by the Lord's Prayer)

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 the evil one. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PASTOR BARBER

Christ Shall Have Dominion





From Psalm 72:8–14, 17–19 The Psalter, 1912

ST. GERTRUDE 6.5.6.5.D.ref. Arthur S. Sullivan, 1871

* CONFESSION OF FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism

- Q. 28. In what does Christ's exaltation consist?
- A. Christ's exaltation consists in his rising again from the dead on the third day; in ascending into heaven; in sitting at the right hand of God the Father; and in coming to judge the world at the last day.

* Gloria Patri

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.

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Old Testament reading — Isaiah 52:6–12 (Pew Bible, p. 779)

⁶Therefore my people shall know my name. Therefore in that day they shall know that it is I who speak; here I am."

- How beautiful upon the mountains
 are the feet of him who brings good news,
 who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness,
 who publishes salvation,
 who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."
- The voice of your watchmen—they lift up their voice; together they sing for joy; for eye to eye they see
 the return of the LORD to Zion.
- Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the LORD has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem.
- The LORD has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

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ELDER DWIGHT DERBY

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- Depart, depart, go out from there; touch no unclean thing; go out from the midst of her; purify yourselves, you who bear the vessels of the LORD.
- For you shall not go out in haste, and you shall not go in flight, for the LORD will go before you, and the God of Israel will be your rear guard.

Isaiah 52:6-12 (ESV)

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN (followed by Private Confession of Sin)

Almighty Father, God of gods and Lord of lords, Father to the fatherless, Husband to the widow, Defender of the helpless, Judge of all the earth, have mercy on us. We have not sought freedom for the oppressed, even though you freed us. We have not bound up the broken even though you healed us. We have not forgiven others even though you forgave us. We withhold kindness from the needy even though you freely gave us your own Son. We are without excuse, but not without hope. By your power and grace, account our sins to Jesus' death and amend our ways by the power of his glorious resurrection.

Assurance of Pardon

Christ was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed.

Isaiah 53:5 (Pew Bible, p. 780)

PASTOR BARBER

WE LIVE OUT OUR MISSION and PASTORAL PRAYER

WE GIVE TO THE ONE WHO HAS GIVEN US EVERYTHING



Paragraphy You can also give online on our website, through the app Vanco Mobile, or mail a check to the office (if it is for the Deacons Fund, please note on the memo).

MEN'S ENSEMBLE

Offertory Response — Here Is Love (W. Rees; S. and V. Cook; arr. by K. Campbell)

Here is love, wide as an ocean, loving kindness as a flood: When the Prince of Life, our ransom, shed for us His precious blood.

Who His love will not remember? Who can cease to sing His praise? He can never be forgotten, throughout Heav'n's eternal days.

On the mount of crucifixion, fountains opened deep and wide. Through the floodgates of God's mercy flowed a vast and gracious tide.

Grace and love like mighty rivers, poured incessant from above, and Heav'n's peace and perfect justice kissed a guilty world in love.

Oh, how marvelous, oh, how glorious, is my Savior's love for me!

Of Your fullness, You are pouring Your great love on me anew, without measure, full and boundless, drawing out my heart to You.

You, alone, will be my glory; Nothing in the world I see. You have cleansed and sanctified me. You, Yourself, have set me free.

Oh, how marvelous, oh, how glorious, is my Savior's love for me!

*Hymn (Trinity #449) — We Rest on Thee (lyrics next page)

Children are welcome to remain in worship with us. Children 2 and 3 years old may go to Beginner Bible in room 100; children 4 years to 2nd grade may depart during the last verse to the Fellowship Hall for Junior Church.

Parents please pick up children after the service.

We Rest on Thee

1 We rest on thee - our shield and our defender! We go not forth alone against the foe; strong in thy strength, safe in thy keeping tender, "We rest on thee, and in thy name we go." strong in thy strength, safe in thy keeping tender, "We rest on thee, and in thy name we go."

2 Yea, "in thy name," O Captain of salvation! In thy dear name, all other names above; Jesus our righteousness, our sure foundation, our Prince of glory and our King of love. Jesus our righteousness, our sure foundation, our Prince of glory and our King of love.

3 "We go" in faith, our own great weakness feeling, and needing more each day thy grace to know: yet from our hearts a song of triumph pealing, "We rest on thee, and in thy name we go." yet from our hearts a song of triumph pealing, "We rest on thee, and in thy name we go."

4 "We rest on thee" - our shield and our defender! Thine is the battle, thine shall be the praise; when passing through the gates of pearly splendor, victors - we rest with thee, through endless days. When passing through the gates of pearly splendor, victors - we rest with thee, through endless days.

GOD EXHORTS THROUGH THE WORD AND WE SING

Sent to Share the Savior! — Acts 1:1–11 (Pew Bible, p. 1156)

PASTOR GRAY

¹ In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, ² until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³ He presented himself alive to them after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of

God.

⁴ And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from
Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you

heard from me; 5 for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized

with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

⁶ So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷ He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." ⁹ And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰ And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, ¹¹ and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Acts 1:1-11 (ESV)

* Hymn — Jesus Shall Reign (music next page)

* GOD SENDS US OUT WITH HIS BLESSING

YOUTH MISSIONS INFORMATIONAL MEETING — following the Worship Service, in the Fellowship Hall GRACE & PEACE Choir Rehearsal — 4–5pm SUNDAY CELEBRATION — 5–7pm (includes Fellowship Groups, Young Adults, Youth Group, and Children's Ministry)

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Jesus Shall Reign



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OUR MISSION We exist to change lives through sharing Christ. We carry out this mission in three ways:

GATHER — we gather Christians together to worship God through Jesus Christ

MORNING WORSHIP—10:45AM

DISCIPLE — we make disciples and grow in our relationship with God and each other

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES—9:30AM

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP—Wednesdays at 9:15-11:30AM and 6:30–8:00PM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY—Thursdays from 8:00–9:00AM in Room B202 and online. "Created for Worship" by Jason Helopoulos

BIBLE CONFERENCE—March 1-3: Speaker: Robert Cunningham on "Christ, Culture, and Politics". Please sign up at the information counter or online on our website.

SEND — we are all Christ's ambassadors that are sent into the world locally and globally

MISSIONARIES—Tom & Lucy Wright,—MTW: French-speaking Peoples (see our Missionary Highlight in this week's online EPiC Newsletter)

PARENTING THROUGH A TEMPERAMENT LENS - February 24, 9:00-11:30am. Seminar with Dr. Kathleen Cherry. Please invite your friends from outside the church as well. Register online.

Attendance and Financial Information for February 11, 2024

SS: 149 - AM: 305

General Fund

Weekly Gifts Received \$ 26,837.77

Weekly Budgeted Requirements \$ 22,240.00

Year-to-Date Gifts Received \$120,073.47

Year-to-Date Requirements \$133,440.48

Year-to-Date Expenses \$ 94,708.73



OUR MISSION IS TO CHANGE LIVES THROUGH SHARING CHRIST BY GATHERING, DISCIPLING AND SENDING

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