

Welcome & Call to Worship

Hymn – MP 7 - All creatures of our God and King

1. All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing:
 hallelujah, hallelujah!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam:
 *O praise Him, O praise Him,
 hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!*
2. Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
 O praise Him, hallelujah!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
ye lights of evening, find a voice:
 *O praise Him, O praise Him,
 hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!*
3. Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for thy Lord to hear,
 hallelujah, hallelujah!
Thou fire so masterful and bright,
that givest man both warmth and light:
 *O praise Him, O praise Him,
 hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!*
4. And all ye men of tender heart,
forgiving others, take your part,
 O sing ye, hallelujah!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
praise God and on Him cast your care:
 *O praise Him, O praise Him,
 hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!*
5. Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship Him in humbleness,
 O praise Him, hallelujah!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit Three-in-One:
 *O praise Him, O praise Him,
 hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!*

Prayer

Reading: John 20: 19 - 30 – ¹⁹On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you!” ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. ²¹Again Jesus said, “Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.” ²²And with that he breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive anyone’s sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.” ²⁴Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord!” But he said to them, “Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.” ²⁶A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you!” ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.” ²⁸Thomas said to him, “My Lord

and my God!” ²⁹Then Jesus told him, “Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.” ³⁰Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book.

Hymn - MP 757 - When peace like a river

1. when peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea-billows roll;
whatever my lot, you have taught me to say,
‘It is well, it is well with my soul.’
 *It is well with my soul;
 it is well, it is well with my soul.*
2. Though Satan should buffet, if trials should come,
let this blessed assurance control,
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
and has shed His own blood for my soul.
 *It is well with my soul;
 it is well, it is well with my soul.*
3. My sin—O the bliss of this glorious thought—
my sin - not in part - but the whole,
is nailed to His cross, and I bear it no more,
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
 *It is well with my soul;
 it is well, it is well with my soul.*
4. For me, be it Christ, be it Christ hence to live!
If Jordan above me shall roll,
no pang shall be mine, for in death as in life
You will whisper Your peace to my soul.
 *It is well with my soul;
 it is well, it is well with my soul.*
5. But Lord, it’s for You – for Your coming we wait,
the sky, not the grave, is our goal;
O trump of the angel! O voice of the Lord!
Blessed hope! blessed rest of my soul!
 *It is well with my soul;
 it is well, it is well with my soul.*

Sermon

Hymn – MP 540 - One day when heaven was filled with His praises

1. One day when heaven was filled with His praises,
one day when sin was as black as could be,
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin,
dwelt among men, my example is He!
 *Living, He loved me; dying, He saved me;
 buried, He carried my sins far away,
 rising, He justified freely forever;
 one day He’s coming: O glorious day.*
2. One day they led Him up Calvary’s mountain,
one day they nailed Him to die on the tree;
suffering anguish, despised and rejected;
bearing our sins, my Redeemer is He!
 *Living, He loved me; dying, He saved me;
 buried, He carried my sins far away,
 rising, He justified freely forever;
 one day He’s coming: O glorious day.*

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3. One day they left Him alone in the garden,
one day He rested, from suffering free;
angels came down o'er His tomb to keep vigil;
hope of the hopeless, my Saviour is He!
*Living, He loved me; dying, He saved me;
buried, He carried my sins far away,
rising, He justified freely forever;
one day He's coming: O glorious day.*

4. One day the grave could conceal Him no longer,
one day the stone rolled away from the door;
then He arose, over death He had conquered;
now is ascended, my Lord evermore!
*Living, He loved me; dying, He saved me;
buried, He carried my sins far away,
rising, He justified freely forever;
one day He's coming: O glorious day.*

5. One day the trumpet will sound for His coming,
one day the skies with His glory will shine;
wonderful day, my beloved ones bringing;
glorious Saviour, this Jesus is mine!
*Living, He loved me; dying, He saved me;
buried, He carried my sins far away,
rising, He justified freely forever;
one day He's coming: O glorious day.*

Communion

Hymn – MP 1072 In Christ alone, my hope is found

1. In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
this cornerstone, this solid ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all,
here in the love of Christ I stand.

2. In Christ alone – who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless Babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
scorned by the ones he came to save
till on that cross when Jesus died,
the wrath of God was satisfied,
for every sin on Him was laid;
here in the death of Christ I live.

3. There in the ground his body lay,
light of the world by darkness slain,
then, bursting forth in glorious day,
up from the grave He rose again!
And as he stands in victory
sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
for I am His and He is mine –
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

4. No guilt in life, no fear in death,
this is the power of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man
can ever pluck me from His hand;
till He returns or calls me home,
here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

Benediction & Amen

Hymn - MP 460 – May God's blessing

May God's blessing surround you each day,
as you trust Him and walk in His way.
May His presence within guard and keep you from sin,
go in peace, go in joy, go in love.