

**I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus the Nazarene,
And wonder how he could love me, a sinner, condemned, unclean.**

**How marvelous! How wonderful! And my song shall ever be;
How marvelous! How wonderful! Is my Saviour’s love for me!**

**For me it was in the garden he prayed, “Not my will, but thine;”
He had no tears for his own griefs, but sweat drops of blood for mine.**

**How marvelous! How wonderful! And my song shall ever be;
How marvelous! How wonderful! Is my Saviour’s love for me!**

**In pity angels beheld him, and came from the world of light
To comfort him in the sorrows he bore for my soul that night.**

**How marvelous! How wonderful! And my song shall ever be;
How marvelous! How wonderful! Is my Saviour’s love for me!**

**He took my sins and my sorrows, he made them his very own;
He bore the burden to Calv’ry, and suffered and died alone.**

**How marvelous! How wonderful! And my song shall ever be;
How marvelous! How wonderful! Is my Saviour’s love for me!**

**When with the ransomed in glory his face I at last shall see,
'Twill be my joy through the ages to sing of his love for me.**

**How marvelous! How wonderful! And my song shall ever be;
How marvelous! How wonderful! Is my Saviour’s love for me!**

First Lesson: The Call to Rebuild

Reflection

“A People Made Ready”

Joel Russell-MacLean

Second Lesson: Opposition

Responsive Reading: Psalm 127

Leader: Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labour in vain.

All: Unless the Lord guards the city, the guard keeps watch in vain.

Leader: It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil;

All: For God gives sleep to his beloved.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Third Lesson: Our God Will Fight for Us

*Hymn

“Faithful One”
(Brian Doerkson)

Faithful one, so unchanging.

Ageless One, you’re my rock of peace.

Lord of all, I depend on you.

I call out to you, again and again.

I call out to you, again and again.

You are my rock in times of trouble.

You lift me up when I fall down.

All through the storm,

Your love is the anchor.

My hope is in you alone.

Reflection

“Choices in Hard Times”

Joel Russell-MacLean

Fourth Lesson: Hardship

All: God, we admit before everyone in heaven and everyone here that we have sinned this past week in what we've thought, in what we've said, in what we've done, and in what we failed to do. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved other people as ourselves.

Leader: Thousands people in our city and province work for wages that do not cover basic needs:

All: Lord, forgive us.

Leader: Ten of thousands of people in our city and province do not have enough money for food and rent:

All: Lord, forgive us.

Leader: Thousands of people in our city and province have sold their bodies for money:

All: Lord, forgive us.

Leader: When we have let what we are busy with become more important than other people:

All: Lord, forgive us.

Leader: When we have taken advantage of someone when they were in need of help:

All: Lord, forgive us.

Leader: When we have let our own fears and concerns blind us to what other people are going through:

All: Lord, forgive us.

Leader: For the sake of Jesus, forgive us and restore us. Fill us with your Holy Spirit. Help us to enjoy doing what is right and to follow you every day. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Fifth Lesson: Restitution

*Hymn

**“They’ll Know We are Christians”
(Peter Scholtes)**

**We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord.
And we pray that all unity may be one day restored.
And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
Yes, they’ll know we are Christians by our love.**

**We will work with each other we will work side by side,
We will work with each other we will work side by side,
And we’ll guard each one’s dignity and save each one’s pride;
And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
Yes, they’ll know we are Christians by our love.**

**All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
And all praise to Christ Jesus, to God’s only son,
And all praise to the Spirit who makes us all one.
And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
Yes, they’ll know we are Christians by our love.**

Reflection

“The Suddenness of Dawn”

Joel Russell-MacLean

Sixth Lesson: The Last Push

*Hymn

“Our Great God”
(Fernando Ortega & Mac Powell)

Adoniram, Angeline, & Sara,
Chris Senger

**Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious, and unknown
Your boundless love, unfailing, in grace and mercy shown.
Bright seraphim in endless flight around your glorious throne
They raise their voices day and night in praise to you alone.**

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!

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**Lord, we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm
Surround us with your angels hold us in your arms.
Our cold and ruthless enemy his pleasure is our harm
Rise up, O Lord, and he will flee before our sovereign God.**

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!

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**Let every creature in the sea and every flying bird
Let every mountain, every field and valley of the earth
Let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe
Sing praises to the living God who rules them by his word.**

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God! (2x)

Prayers of the People

Cheryl Johnston

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Our Gifts and Offerings

Benjamin

*Hymn for Departing

“Give Thanks”
(Henry Smith)

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because he’s given Jesus Christ, his Son. (2x)

And now let the weak say, “I am strong,” let the poor say, “I am rich,”

Because of what the Lord has done for us. (2x)

Give thanks, give thanks.

*Benediction

Klara

Music for Departing

“Rigaudon”
(Campra)

Mark Anderson

Our thanks to all the children and youth who helped lead us in worship today:

Piano – Adoniram

Geshem – Caleb

Violin – Angeline

Shemaiah – Gaddy

Vocals – Sara

Person 1 – Lillen

Narrator – Maizy

Person 2 – Lillian

Narrator – Honnête

Person 3 – Benjamin

Nehemiah – Rowan

Noble 1 – Max

Sanballat – Dustin

Noble 2 – Alex

Tobiah – Oliver

Children playing the enemies

Children playing people of God rebuilding the wall

Following the worship service, you are invited to the lower hall for “A Time for Friends”—an opportunity to fellowship with one another while enjoying some refreshments together.

For those of you on Zoom, after the Music for Departing, a few smaller breakout groups will be formed. There is no obligation to stay if you need to be going. If you wish to take part, simply remain on Zoom to be invited to a group and hear how others are doing.