



Proclaim Jesus Christ, Live in Christ, Serve!

PRELUDE

Glorious Everlasting

M. Thomas Cousins

The River City Chorale Ensemble Singers
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Glorious, everlasting.
I will praise Thee, O Lord, among the people;
I will sing unto Thee among the nations.

WELCOME & INVITATIONS

OPENING HYMN Rejoice, the Lord Is King!

1. Re - joi - ce, the Lord is King: Your Lord and King a - dore! Re -
 3. His king - dom can - not fail, He rules o'er earth and heav'n; The
 4. Re - joi - ce in glo - rious hope! Our Lord and judge shall come And
 joi - ce, give thanks and sing, And tri - umph ev - er - more: Lift up your
 keys of death and hell Are to our Je - sus giv'n: Lift up your
 take His ser - vants up To their e - ter - nal home: Lift up your
 heart, lift up your voice! Re - joi - ce, a - gain I say, re - joi - ce!
 heart, lift up your voice! Re - joi - ce, a - gain I say, re - joi - ce!
 heart, lift up your voice! Re - joi - ce, a - gain I say, re - joi - ce!

INVOCATION

Leader: We gather this Easter season in the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Christ is Risen. Christ is here.

All: **Peace is here. New Life is here.**

Leader: In a world of many idols,

All: **we come to worship You and You alone.**

Leader: For you have set us free from all the chains that bind us;

All: **that we can share your light and love.**

Leader: You emptied yourself completely for us,

All: **that we may be filled with your mercy and grace.**

Leader: As partners in the Gospel, we celebrate,

All: **that the one who began a good work in us will complete it.**

Leader: Holy God, empty us of ego, fear, and insecurity, and fill us with the Word and the Bread of Life. May our love overflow with knowledge and insight, helping us discern what truly matters. May Christ be proclaimed in our words, our music, and our actions—this day and every day.

All: Amen!

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the unity of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

ANTHEM No Time
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arr. Susan Brumfield

Rise, oh fathers, rise.
Let's go meet Him in the sky.
For we'll hear the angels singing
In that morning.

Yes I really do believe that
Just before the end of time
We will hear the angels singing
In that morning.

Rise, oh mothers, rise, ...
Rise, oh sisters, rise, ...

No time to tarry here,
No time to wait for you,
No time to tarry here
For I'm on my journey home.

Brothers, oh fare you well,
For I'm on my journey home.
No time to tarry here,
No time to wait for you,
No time to tarry here,
For I'm on my journey home.

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 16:16-24

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One day as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a female slave who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men, these Jews, are disturbing our city and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us, being Romans, to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray.
Holy God,
As we gather in this place of prayer and worship, cast out all that is holding us down.
Set us free! Set us free with Your healing Word, Your risen and living presence, and
Your powerful Spirit of new life. In Christ's name we pray,

All: Amen.

ANTHEM

Bound for the Promised Land

arr. Mack Wilberg

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On Jordan's stormy banks I stand,
and cast a wishful eye.
To Canaan's fair and happy land,
where my possessions lie.

There generous fruits that never fail
on trees immortal grow;
There rocks and hills, and brooks and vales
with milk and honey flow.

I am bound for the promised land,
I'm bound for the promised land;
Oh who will come and go with me?
I am bound for the promised land.
O the transporting, rapturous scene
that rises to my sight!
Sweet fields arrayed in living green
and rivers of delight!

When shall I reach that happy place
I'll be forever blest.
Where shall I see my Father's face
and in His bosom rest.

I am bound for the promised land
I'm bound for the promised land;
Oh who will come and go with me?
I am bound for the promised land.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen

HYMN If You But Trust in God to Guide You



1 If you but trust in God to guide you and place your
2 In pa - tient trust a - wait his lei - sure in cheer - ful
3 Sing, pray, and keep his ways un - swerv - ing, of - fer your



con - fi - dence in him, you'll find him al - ways there be -
hope, with heart con - tent to take what - e'er your Fa - ther's
ser - vice faith - ful - ly, and trust his word; though un - de -



side you, to give you hope and strength with - in. For those who
plea - sure and all - dis - cern - ing love have sent; doubt not your
serv - ing, you'll find his prom - ise true to be. God nev - er



trust God's change - less love build on the rock that will not move.
in - most wants are known to him who chose you for his own.
will for - sake in need the soul that trusts in him in - deed.

Text: Georg Neumark, 1621–1681; tr. composite, alt.
Music: WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT. Georg Neumark, 1621–1681

A Reading from Acts the 16th Chapter

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken, and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone’s chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, “Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.” The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” They answered, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.” They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them, and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Leader: Word of God. Word of Life.
All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Pastor Sarah Breckenridge

OFFERING

Come Thou Fount
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arr. Eric Nelson

Come, thou Fount of every blessing;
 tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 streams of mercy, never ceasing,
 call for songs of loudest praise.
 Teach me some melodious sonnet,
 sung by flaming tongues above;
 praise the mount! I’m fixed upon it,
 mount of God’s unchanging love!

O to grace how great a debtor
 daily I’m constrained to be!
 Let that grace now, like a fetter,
 bind my wandering heart to thee.
 Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
 prone to leave the God I love;
 here’s my heart; O take and seal it;
 seal it for thy courts above.

Here I raise my Ebenezer;
 hither by thy help I’m come;
 and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
 safely to arrive at home.
 Jesus sought me when a stranger,
 wandering from the fold of God;
 he, to rescue me from danger,
 interposed his precious blood.

OFFERTORY Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God, above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A - men.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of two systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are placed between the staves. The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics, and the second system covers the last two lines. The music is a simple, hymn-like setting with a steady rhythm.

Baptist Hymnal 1991 253
WORDS: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711
MUSIC (OLD 100TH (altered) 8.8.8.8.(L.M.)): *Genevan Psalter*, 1551 Edition; attr. Louis Bourgeois, 1510-1561

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION FOR HOLY COMMUNION

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

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

HOLY COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you. Amen

ANTHEM

Requiem

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Eliza Gilkyson, arr. Craig Hella Johnson

Mother Mary, full of grace, awaken.
All our homes are gone, our loved ones taken.
Taken by the sea.
Mother Mary, calm our fears, have mercy.
Drowning in a sea of tears, have mercy.
Hear our mournful plea.
Our world has been shaken.
We wander our homelands forsaken.

In the dark night of the soul,
bring some comfort to us all.
Oh mother Mary come and carry us in your
Embrace, that our sorrows may be faced.

Mary, fill the glass to overflowing.
Illuminate the path where we are going.
Have mercy on us all.
In funeral fires burning, each flame to your mystery returning.

In the dark night of the soul, your shattered
dreamers, make them whole.
Oh mother Mary find us where we've fallen out of grace,
lead us to a higher place.

In the dark night of the soul,
our broken hearts you can make whole.
Oh mother Mary come and carry us in your embrace,
let us see your gentle face. Mary

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

Leader: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

All: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray.

Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, we pray,

All: Amen.

ANTHEM

O Lord God

Paul Tschesnokoff

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Andy Haase, Director

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O Lord God, hear Thou my pray'r,
help Thou me, and give ear to my pray'r.
Daily do I worship Thy great name and Thy pow'r.
Thou alone canst help me; O send me Thy peace and love;
O protect me, my God. Let me never stray, O my God.
Saviour, leave me not, O God of my salvation.
I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; will sing,
yea, will sing to the Lord as long as I live.
I will sing to the Lord as long as I live, and sing to the Lord as long as I live;
will sing, and praise Thy great name while I have my being.
Hear my pray'r. Hear Thou my pray'r;
help Thou me, and give ear to my pray'r.
Glory to God!

BENEDICTION

Leader: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All Sing: Amen.

HYMN A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!



1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New hymns through-out the world shall
2 O ris - en Christ, as-cend-ed Lord, all praise to you let earth ac -



ring: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -
cord: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! You are, while end-less ag - es



trod, as - cends un - to the throne of God. Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le -
run, with Fa - ther and with Spir - it one.



lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia!

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DISMISSAL

Leader: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE God Wouldn't Bring You This Far to Leave You Tom Trenney

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LEADING TODAY'S WORSHIP

Preacher: Pastor Sarah Breckenridge

Assisting: Pastor Brian Norsman

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Music

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NEXT SUNDAY

Preacher: Pastor Mike Carlson

Preaching Text: Acts 17:16-31

Music

Youth Choir (9am)

Choristers (10:30am)

St. Andrew's Choir

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