

**CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE
LWML SUNDAY
OCTOBER 1 – 10:30 A.M.
“HUMBLE VESSELS”**

WE ENTER TO WORSHIP

PRESERVICE MUSIC “*Lifesong*”

Empty hands held high
Such small sacrifice
If not joined with my life
I sing in vain tonight

May the words I say
And the things I do
Make my lifesong sing
Bring a smile to You

Let my lifesong sing to You
Let my lifesong sing to You
I want to sing Your name to the end of this day
Knowing that my heart was true
Let my lifesong sing to You

Lord, I give my life
A living sacrifice
To reach a world in need
To be Your hands and feet

So may the words I say
And the things I do
Make my lifesong sing
Bring a smile to You

Let my lifesong sing to You
Let my lifesong sing to You
I want to sing Your name to the end of this day
Knowing that my heart was true
Let my lifesong sing to You

Hallelujah
Hallelujah
Let my lifesong sing to You

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Hallelujah
Let my lifesong sing to You

Hallelujah
Hallelujah
Let my lifesong sing to You

Let my lifesong sing to You
Let my lifesong sing to You
I want to sing Your name to the end of this day
Knowing that my heart was true
Let my lifesong sing to You

Let my lifesong sing to You
Let my lifesong sing to You (Jesus, let my lifelong sing to You)
I want to sing Your name to the end of this day
Knowing that my heart was true
Let my lifesong sing to You

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"Emmanuel"

For everyone
Hope has come
The Savior of the world

To light the dark
And heal our hearts
The Savior of the world
He is the Savior of the world

Emmanuel, Emmanuel
Our God has come close
The world needs to know
This good news we have to tell
Emmanuel, Emmanuel

**For unto us
Is born the one
Who's love will set us free**

**And we will sing
Unto our king
His love has set us free
Its His love that sets us free**

**Emmanuel, Emmanuel
Our God has come close
The world needs to know
This good news we have to tell
Emmanuel, Emmanuel**

**Ring the bells
Ring the bells
Emmanuel
Ring the bells
Ring the bells**

**Ring the bells
Ring the bells
Emmanuel
Ring the bells
Ring the bells**

**Emmanuel, Emmanuel
Our God has come close
The world needs to know
This good news we have to tell
Emmanuel, Emmanuel**

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WORSHIP THEME: – “Humble Vessels” Matthew 21:23-32

The chief priests and elders questioned the authority of Jesus as they gathered in the temple courts. Jesus answered them by telling them a parable of the two sons and their father who asked them to work in a vineyard. Only one son obeyed his father. God is not concerned with our words, but with our actions. He desires repentance and obedience so that His will may be accomplished here on earth through humble vessels.

+ We Lift Our Hearts in Worship +

OPENING SONG..... “God With Us”

**Who are we that You would be mindful of us
What do You see that's worth looking our way
We are free in ways that we never should be
Sweet release from the grip of these chains**

**Like hinges straining from the weight
My heart no longer can keep from singing**

**All that is within me cries
For You alone be glorified
Immanuel God with us
My heart sings a brand new song
The debt is paid these chains are gone
Immanuel God with us**

**Lord You know our hearts don't deserve Your glory
Still You show a love we cannot afford**

**Like hinges straining from the weight
My heart no longer can keep from singing**

**All that is within me cries
For You alone be glorified
Immanuel God with us
My heart sings a brand new song
The debt is paid these chains are gone
Immanuel God with us**

**Such a tiny offering compared to Calvary
Nevertheless we lay it at Your feet
Such a tiny offering compared to Calvary
Nevertheless we lay it at Your feet**

**All that is within me cries
For You alone be glorified
Immanuel God with us
My heart sings a brand new song
The debt is paid these chains are gone
Immanuel God with us**

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2007 Simpleville Music Scripture Reference: Psalm 103, 1-5 CCLI Song # 5152735 CCLI License # 51072*

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: Welcome! When you entered this place, I hope you felt the presence of the Holy Spirit, because He is here. He dwells within us and is calling us to draw near to the Father. If you have not yet decided to follow Him, I pray that today you would yield yourself just a little and not leave today without saying yes to Him. Let us pray together.

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: Father God, You are a good, good Father. You call us to follow the example that Jesus, Your one and only Son, lived here on this earth. He humbled Himself as a man to carry out Your will. We want to live for You.

People: **We humble ourselves in Your sight, O Lord.**

Pastor: We let go of our stubborn ways and choose to walk in Your upright ways.

People: **We are Your humble vessels.**

Pastor: Together we all say,

People: **Amen.**

TIME OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: It is our sinful nature that we battle against. The Lord is good; there is nothing evil in Him. Nor will there ever be. He is a just God who desires our repentance and obedience. What stops us from following Him? Perhaps it's fear or pride. Maybe it's our sinful desire to be the king of our lives. Whatever it is, repent! Own up to the sin so that you may experience the loving kindness of our good, good Father who lavishes His love, forgiveness, and grace on yes, even sinners! May humility and repentance overrule pride and fear in the name of Jesus!

People: **We humbly ask for forgiveness. We have been prideful.**

- Pastor:** According to the Word of God, you are forgiven because of the loving sacrifice of Jesus Christ crucified and resurrected!
- People:** **We yield ourselves and submit to the King of Kings! Have Your way with us, Lord. Amen.**

+ We Hear God's Word +

1 Kings 8:54-61(ESV)(page 5 in bulletin)..... (on page 537 in NIV pew Bible)
2 Timothy 4:1-4(ESV) (page 6 in bulletin)..... (on page 1855 in NIV pew Bible)

MINISTRY OF MUSIC “*Count Your Blessings*”.....*by Jubilate Ringers*

Matthew 10:26-33(ESV)(page 6 in bulletin) (on page 1511 in NIV pew Bible)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

THE LEAGUE PLEDGE

- Pastor: "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." (Hebrews 13:8)
- People:** In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have;
- Pastor: God has entrusted to His people the task of teaching all nations. We thank Him for the 75 years He has blessed the work of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League.
- People:** and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us.
- Pastor: That the joyous truth of the Gospel may be known in every generation;
- People:** We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life,
- Pastor: We are mindful of the shortness of time and uncertainties of life. Preserve our faithfulness and strengthen us for service in our communities and throughout the world.
- People:** to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen!

SERMON SONG "Holy Spirit"

There's nothing worth more
That could ever come close
Nothing can compare
You're our living hope
Your presence, Lord

I've tasted and seen
Of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free
And my shame is undone
Your presence, Lord

**Holy Spirit, You are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by Your presence, Lord
Your presence, Lord**

**There's nothing worth more
That could ever come close
Nothing can compare
You're our living hope
Your presence, Lord**

**I've tasted and seen
Of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free
And my shame is undone
Your presence, Lord**

**Holy Spirit, You are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by Your presence, Lord
Your presence, Lord**

**Let us become more aware of Your presence
Let us experience the glory of Your goodness**

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Let us experience the glory of Your goodness**

**Let us become more aware of Your presence
Let us experience the glory of Your goodness**

**Holy Spirit, You are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by Your presence, Lord**

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MESSAGE.....“Be Ready To Confess Christ”..... Matthew 10:26-33

OFFERING SONG..... “Step by Step”

O God, You are my God and I will ever praise You
O God, You are my God and I will ever praise You
I will seek You in the morning
And I will learn to walk in Your ways
Step by step You lead me
And I will follow You all of my days.

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+ We Pray +

PRAIERS
LORD'S PRAYER

+ We Depart in Peace +

BENEDICTION

Pastor: Go in peace and humility, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit who gives you strength.

People: Amen!

CLOSING SONG..... “My Savior Lives”

Our God will reign forever
And all the world will know His name
Ev'ryone together
Sing the song of the redeemed

I know that my Redeemer lives
And now I stand on what He did
My Savior my Savior lives
Ev'ry day a brand new chance to say
Jesus You are the only way
My Savior my Savior lives

The King has come from Heaven
And darkness trembles at His name
Victory forever
Is the song of the redeemed

I know that my Redeemer lives
And now I stand on what He did
My Savior my Savior lives
Ev'ry day a brand new chance to say
Jesus You are the only way
My Savior my Savior lives

**My Savior lives my Savior lives my Savior lives
My Savior lives my Savior lives my Savior lives
My Savior lives my Savior lives my Savior lives
My Savior lives my Savior lives my Savior lives**

**I know that my Redeemer lives
And now I stand on what He did
My Savior my Savior lives
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My Savior my Savior lives**

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My Savior my Savior lives**

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We Exit to Serve!

If this service has moved you spiritually and you have questions regarding your spiritual life, please feel free to visit with one of the Pastors after the service.

