

**CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE
THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 4, 2018
“A FOOL FOR JESUS”**

***PRESERVICE MUSIC* “Let It Rise”**

**Let the glory of the Lord, rise among us, Let the glory of the Lord, rise among us
Let the praises of the King, rise among us, let it rise**

**Let the songs of the Lord, rise among us, Let the songs of the Lord, rise among us
Let the joy of the King, rise among us, let it rise**

Oh, oh, oh, Let it rise, Oh, oh, oh, Let it rise

**Let the glory of the Lord, rise among us, Let the glory of the Lord, rise among us
Let the praises of the King, rise among us, let it rise**

Oh, oh, oh, Let it rise, Oh, oh, oh, Let it rise

Let it Rise, Let it Rise

**Let the glory of the Lord, rise among us, Let the glory of the Lord, rise among us
Let the praises of the King, rise among us, let it rise**

Oh Let It Rise

**Oh, oh, oh, Let it rise, Oh, oh, oh, Let it rise
Oh, oh, oh, Let it rise, Oh, oh, oh, Let it rise**

*“Let It Rise” Author: Holland Davis 1997, 1999 Maranatha Praise, Inc Scripture Reference: Exodus 16:7, Psalm 137:4
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“The Lion And The Lamb”

**He's coming on the clouds, Kings and kingdoms will bow down
And every chain will break, As broken hearts declare His praise
For who can stop the Lord Almighty**

**Our God is the Lion, The Lion of Judah
He's roaring with power, And fighting our battles
And every knee will bow before Him**

**Our God is the Lamb, The Lamb that was slain
For the sin of the world, His blood breaks the chains
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb
So open up the gates, Make way before the King of kings
Our God who comes to save, Is here to set the captives free
For who can stop the Lord Almighty**

**Our God is the Lion, The Lion of Judah
He's roaring with power, And fighting our battles
And every knee will bow before Him**

**Our God is the Lamb, The Lamb that was slain
For the sin of the world, His blood breaks the chains
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb**

**Who can stop the Lord Almighty, Who can stop the Lord Almighty
Who can stop the Lord Almighty, Who can stop the Lord (Almighty)**

**Our God is the Lion, The Lion of Judah
He's roaring with power, And fighting our battles
And every knee will bow before Him**

**Our God is the Lamb, The Lamb that was slain
For the sin of the world, His blood breaks the chains
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb**

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WORSHIP THEME: "A Fool for Jesus" John 2:13-22

Jesus saw people selling livestock and exchanging money in the temple. He made a whip, scattered the coins, and overturned tables. The Jews asked how Jesus could prove His authority, in which He responded, "Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days." It wasn't until after His resurrection that His disciples recalled this statement and believed. Many bystanders then and people even now think that Jesus was crazy, and to believe and follow Him is even crazier. But someday what the world considered foolishness will be proven the wisdom of God. So, be a fool for Jesus now, because He is coming soon, and the world will know He is the Son of God!

+ We Lift Our Hearts in Worship +

OPENING SONG..... "What A Beautiful Name"

**You were the Word at the beginning, One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation, Now revealed in You our Christ**

**What a beautiful Name it is, What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King, What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this, What a beautiful Name it is, The Name of Jesus**

**You didn't want heaven without us, So Jesus You brought heaven down
My sin was great Your love was greater, What could separate us now**

**What a wonderful Name it is, What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King, What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this, What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus, What a wonderful Name it is, The Name of Jesus**

**Death could not hold You, The veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave, The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory, For You are raised to life again**

**You have no rival, You have no equal
Now and forever God You reign, Yours is the kingdom
Yours is the glory, Yours is the Name above all names**

**What a powerful Name it is, What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King, What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against, What a powerful Name it is, The Name of Jesus**

**You have no rival, You have no equal
Now and forever God You reign, Yours is the kingdom
Yours is the glory, Yours is the Name above all names**

**What a powerful Name it is, What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King, What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against, What a powerful Name it is, The Name of Jesus**

**What a powerful Name it is, The Name of Jesus
What a powerful Name it is, The Name of Jesus**

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INVOCATION

Pastor: We come together and with one voice, we proclaim loudly the name above all names!

People: Jesus!

Pastor: The world calls us fools,

People: And fools for Christ we are!

Pastor: But the wisdom of this world is foolishness to Almighty God who holds all wisdom and power and strength.

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: As we stand together in Your presence Holy God, we close our eyes and tremble at the tremendous glory that surrounds You. Overwhelmed by Your greatness, we are in awe of how You, the Sovereign God, can love mere people like us. We say thank You.

People: Thank You, Father God.

Pastor: In the name of Jesus we pray,

People: Amen.

TIME OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: We admit that we are sinners, God.

People: We have sinned against You and gone our own foolish ways.

Pastor: You call us to confess, and with unhidden hearts we come clean before You.

People: We confess our sins to You, Father.

Pastor: When we confess, You are faithful and just to forgive us and purify us of all unrighteousness.

People: We desire Your truth to be in us.

Pastor: Thank You, Lord, for Your mercy.

People: Thank You, Lord, amen.

+ We Hear God's Word +

Exodus 20:1-17(ESV)(page 5 in bulletin)..... (on page 118 in NIV pew Bible)

1 Corinthians 1:18-31(ESV) (page 6 in bulletin)..... (on page 1772 in NIV pew Bible)

MINISTRY OF MUSIC“In The Bleak Midwinter”by Jubilate Ringers

John 1:13-22-25(ESV)(page 6 in bulletin)..... (on page 1648 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

SERMON SONG“How Deep The Father’s Love For Us”

**How deep the Father’s love for us,
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son,
And make a wretch His treasure**

**How great the pain of searing loss,
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the chosen One,
Bring many sons to glory**

**Behold the Man upon the cross,
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice,
Call out among the scoffers**

**It was my sin that held Him there,
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life,
I know that it is finished**

**I will not boast in anything,
No gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection**

**Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart,
His wounds have paid my ransom**

**Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart,
His wounds have paid my ransom**

“How Deep The Father’s Love For Us” written by Stuart Townend 1995 Thankyou Music Scripture Reference: Isaiah 53:12,
Ephesians 2:4-9 CCLI Song: 1558110 CCLI License: 51072

MESSAGE.....“What Is The Question?” by Rev. E. Wade Helmkamp

OFFERING SONG.....“God Is So Good”

God is so good,	He cares for me,	I praise His name,
God is so good,	He cares for me,	I praise His name,
God is so good,	He cares for me,	I praise His name,
He’s so good to me	He’s so good to me	He’s so good to me

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+ We Pray +

PRAYERS

LORD’S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

Pastor: Be strengthened in the Lord, all you believers! It is not by your strength, but by the Spirit of the Lord God.

People: We rely on the Spirit to lead us as we go. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

CLOSING SONG..... "Jesus Loves Me"

**Jesus loves me! This I know,
For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong;
They are weak, but He is strong.**

**Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.**

**Jesus loves me! Still today
Walking with me on my way
Wanting as a friend to give
Light and love to all who live**

**Jesus loves me! He will stay
Close beside me all the way
Thou has bled and died for me
I will henceforth live for thee**

**Jesus loves me! He who died
Heaven's gate to open wide;
He will wash away my sin,
Let His little child come in.**

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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.