

**CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 13, 2018
“NOT ALONG IN THIS WORLD”**

PRESERVICE MUSIC *“Lord, I Lift Your Name On High”*

Lord, I lift Your name on high.
Lord, I love to sing Your praises.
I'm so glad You're in my life.
I'm so glad You came to save us.
You came from Heaven to earth to show the way,
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay;
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;
Lord, I lift Your name on high.

(Repeat)

*“Lord I Lift Your Name On High” written by Rick Founds 1989 Maranatha Praise, Inc. Scripture Reference: Hebrews 2:12;
Genesis 46:28 CCLI Song: 117947 CCLI License: 51072*

“The Heart Of Worship”

When the music fades,
And all has slipped away,
And I simply come.
Longing just to be,
Something that's of worth,
That will bless Your heart.

I'll bring You more than a song,
For a song in itself,
Is not what You have required.
You search much deeper within,
Through the way things appear,
You're looking into my heart.

I'm coming back to the heart of worship,
And it's all about You, it's all about You, Jesus.
I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it
When it's all about You, it's all about You, Jesus.

King of endless worth,
No one could express,
How much You deserve.

Though I'm weak and poor,
All I have is Yours,
Every single breath!

I'll bring You more than a song,
For a song in itself,
Is not what You have required.
You search much deeper within,
Through the way things appear,
You're looking into my heart.

I'm coming back to the heart of worship
And it's all about You, it's all about You, Jesus.
I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it
When it's all about You, it's all about You, Jesus.

"The Heart Of Worship" written by Matt Redman 1999 Thankyou Music CCLI Song Number: 2296522 CCLI License # 51072

WORSHIP THEME: "Not Alone in this World" John 17:11b-19

Jesus prayed for His disciples that they would be protected and unified after He returned to be with His Father. Just like God sent Jesus into the world, Jesus also commissioned His followers into the world to bring the Good News. We are left with a big job to accomplish, but we are promised the Holy Spirit to lead us, intercede for us, and protect us.

+ We Lift Our Hearts in Worship +

OPENING SONG "You Are My King (Amazing Love)"

I'm forgiven because
You were forsaken,
I'm accepted,
You were condemned
I'm alive and well,
Your spirit lives within me,
Because You died and rose again

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Amazing love, how can it be?
That You, my King, would die for me
Amazing love, I know it's true,
And it's my joy to honor You

Amazing love, how can it be?
That You, my King, would die for me
Amazing love, I know it's true,
And it's my joy to honor You
In all I do, I honor You,
You are my King
Jesus, You are my King, Jesus,
You are my King,
Jesus, You are my King

Amazing love, how can it be?
That You, my King, would die for me
Amazing love, I know it's true,
And it's my joy to honor You

In all I do, I honor You, In all I do, I honor You

*"You Are My King" written by Billy Foote 1996 worshiptogether.com songs Scripture Reference: Luke 23:34, 1 John 3:1
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INVOCATION

Pastor: The Lord loves you!

People: Yes, He loves us.

Pastor: Jesus ascended into heaven and tasked His disciples with the responsibility of bringing the Good News to the ends of the earth. But take heart—we are not alone.

People: The Holy Spirit is with us! Amen!

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: Dear Jesus, what an honor it is to be on Your mind. What a privilege it is to be called Your friend. Oh, that we, mere humans, would touch the heart of God! What a blessing it is to be wanted by You. As we carry the torch into the darkness, we are aware that You dwell in us, Holy Spirit. May we move when You move. May we hear Your voice and obey it. To You be all honor, glory, majesty, and praise. Hallelujah!

People: Hallelujah and amen!

TIME OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Before we continue, let us confess our sin, our grief, our fears, our struggles to the Lord who desires to hear us. Let us not hold anything back from Him who already knows.

People: **For the Lord is quick to forgive! He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.**

Pastor: We confess to God, the Almighty Judge.

People: **We confess our sins. We repent and turn the other way.**

Pastor: Earnestly we seek Your grace. Let us give grace to others in return for what You've done for us.

People: **Only because of the sacrifice of Jesus are we saved. Bless the Lord!**

+ We Hear God's Word +

Acts 1:12-26(ESV)(page 5 in bulletin)..... (on page 1691 in NIV pew Bible)

1 John 5:9-15(ESV) (page 6 in bulletin)..... (on page 1903 in NIV pew Bible)

MINISTRY OF MUSIC..... **"How Beautiful"**..... **by Crosstones**

John 17:11b-19(ESV)(page 6 in bulletin)..... (on page 1680 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 ***“A Mother's Prayer”***

I pray You'll be my eyes,
And watch her where she goes
And help her to be wise,
Help me to let go
Every mother's prayer,
Every child knows
Lead her to a place,
Guide her with Your grace,
To a place where she'll be safe

I pray she finds Your light,
And holds it in her heart
As darkness falls each night,
Remind her where You are

Every mother's prayer,
Every child knows
Need to find a place,
Guide her with Your grace,
Give her faith so she'll be safe

Lead her to a place,
Guide her with Your grace,
To a place where she'll be safe

“A Mother's Prayer” written by David W. Foster, Carole Bayer Sager 2004 Warner-barham Music LLC CCLI License: 51072

MESSAGE..... ***“Our Assurance” 1 John 5:9-15 by Rev. Gary Fortkamp***

OFFERING SONG..... ***“Bless This Offering”***

God of love, hear our prayer, bless this offering we bring You.
May our lives do Your will, guide and guard us forever.
Give us courage to stand for truth, help us care for others.
God of love, hear our prayer, bless this offering we bring You.

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LORD'S PRAYER

+ We Celebrate the Lord's Supper +

Here our Lord gives to us His Own Body and Blood for the forgiveness of all our sins.

WE PREPARE

Pastor: From nations all around the globe, God's people join together in one small act that ripples unity amongst us. This celebration is Communion. Remembering the Lord's sacrifice and feeling the love that the Father has for us, joins believers together and we remember that we are one body, one church, and one bride.

People: **We ache for Your return, Lord Jesus!**

Pastor: We eat this bread and drink of this cup in remembrance of Your holy sacrifice and commit to gathering together often to remember all that You've done for us, Lord.

People: **Thank You for Your precious gift, Jesus. Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION SONG "What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

**What a friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry,
Ev'rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit,
Oh what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry,
Ev'rything to God in prayer!**

**Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged,
Take it to the Lord in prayer:
Can we find a friend so faithful,
Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.**

**Are we weak and heavy laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.**

**Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer;
In His arms He'll take and shield thee,
Thou wilt find a solace there.**

*"What A Friend We Have In Jesus" written by Charles Crozat Converse, Joseph Medlicott Scriven
Public Domain Scripture Reference: Matt:11:28-30; John 15:15 CCLI Song: 27714 CCLI License: 51072*

+ We Depart in Peace +

BENEDICTION

Pastor: We go now with confidence that we are not alone! The Spirit is with us.

People: We are not alone. Amen!

CLOSING SONG....."Love The Lord"

**Love the Lord Your God,
With all your heart with all your soul
With all your mind and with all your strength
Love the Lord Your God,
With all your heart with all your soul
With all your mind and with all your strength**

**With all your heart with all your soul,
With all your mind with all your strength
Love the Lord Your God**

**With all your heart with all your soul,
With all your mind and with all your strength**

**I will serve the Lord with all my heart with all my soul
With all my mind and with all my strength
I will serve the Lord with all my heart with all my soul
With all my mind and with all my strength**

**With all my heart with all my soul,
With all my mind with all my strength**

**I will serve the Lord with all my heart with all my soul
With all my mind and with all my strength**

**I will love You (I will love You)
I will praise You (I will praise You)
I will serve You (I will serve You)
I will trust You (I will trust You)**

With all my heart, with all my soul,
With all my mind, with all my strength
With all my heart, with all my soul,
With all my mind, with all my strength

I will love You Lord with all my heart with all my soul
With all my mind and with all my strength

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*"Love The Lord" written by Lincoln Brewster 2005 Integrity's Praise! Music Scripture Reference: Mark 12:20, Luke 10:27
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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.

