

**CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
NOVEMBER 11, 2018
“SACRIFICIAL GIVING”**

PRESERVICE MUSIC *“Sweet By And By”*

There’s a land that is fairer than day,
And by faith we can see it afar;
For the Father waits over the way
To prepare us a dwelling place there.

REFRAIN:

In the sweet by and by,
We shall meet on that beautiful shore;
In the sweet by and by,
We shall meet on that beautiful shore.

We shall sing on that beautiful shore
The melodious songs of the blessed;
And our spirits shall sorrow no more,
Not a sigh for the blessing of rest. **REFRAIN**

To our bountiful Father above,
We will offer our tribute of praise
For the glorious gift of His love
And the blessings that hallow our days. **REFRAIN**

“Sweet By And By” written by Elsie Leslie Public Domain Scripture Reference: John 14:2 CCLI Song: 271924 CCLI License: 51072

“God You Reign”

You paint the night
You count the stars and You call them by name
The skies proclaim God You reign

Your glory shines
You teach the sun when to bring a new day
Creation sings God You reign

**God You reign God You reign
Forever and ever God You reign**

**You part the seas
You move the mountains with the words that You say
My song remains God You reign**

**You hold my life
You know my heart and You call me by name
I live to say God You reign**

**God You reign God You reign
Forever and ever God You reign**

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**Hallelujah, hallelu
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"God You Reign" written by Lincoln Brewster, Mia Fieldes 2008 SHOUT! Music Publishing S cripture Reference: Psalm 19:1
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WORSHIP THEME – “Sacrificial Giving” Mark 12:38-44

Jesus warned His listeners against giving for the wrong the reasons. As He watched the rich toss in large amounts of money into the temple treasury, He admired a poor widow who put in everything of the little she had. As believers, we should be like the widow and give out of faith and sacrifice unlike the religious leaders who donated to give a good impression.

+ We Lift Our Hearts in Worship +

OPENING SONG..... “You Are My All in All”

**You are my strength when I am weak
You are the treasure that I seek
You are my all in all**

Seeking You like a precious jewel
Lord to give up I'd be a fool
You are my all in all

Jesus Lamb of God
Holy is Your name
Jesus Lamb of God
Holy is Your name

Taking my cross my sin my shame
Raising again I praise Your name
You are my all in all
When I fall down You pick me up
When I run dry You fill my cup
You are my all in all

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"You Are My All In All" written by Dennis Jernigan 1991 Shepherd's Heart Music, Inc.

Scripture Reference: 2 Corinthians 12:10; Philippians 4:17; Proverbs 20:15; Jonah 1:12 CCLI Song: 825356 CCLI License: 51072

INVOCATION

Pastor: The Lord reigns forever! He watches over us and sets us free. He cares about the motives of our hearts.

People: **We open our hearts to You, Lord.**

Pastor: Examine us from the inside out. We give You this time.

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: Heavenly Father, we draw near to You and ask for Your holy presence to rule in our lives. Make us new. Refresh our hearts and our minds. Wash us with the water of Your Word. Transform us to be a generous people. In the name of Jesus we pray,

People: **Amen!**

TIME OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: The religious leaders loved the limelight. Their outward reputation mattered more to them than obeying and submitting to the Lord. We confess that we, too, are tempted in this way. We confess that the appealing nature of pride traps us in sin. Forgive us, Lord.

People: **Forgive us, Lord, for sinning against You.**

Pastor: Jesus calls us to trust Him with our lives. He challenged us to live generously and to give to those in need. We confess that we fear the future and hold back our resources and time to keep for ourselves instead of allowing You, Lord, to use us in any way that You see fit for Your Kingdom. Forgive us, Lord.

People: **Forgive us, Lord, for sinning against You.**

Pastor: Help us, Holy Spirit, to live selflessly devoted to giving. We trust You and thank You for forgiving us.

People: **In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Spirit we pray, Amen.**

+ We Hear God’s Word +

1 Kings 17:8-16(ESV)(page 5 in bulletin)..... (on page 555 in NIV pew Bible)
Hebrews 9:24-28(ESV) (page 6 in bulletin)..... (on page 1872 in NIV pew Bible)

MINISTRY OF MUSIC “A Thanksgiving Prayer”by Crosstones

Mark 12:38-44(ESV)(page 6 in bulletin) (on page 1576 in NIV pew Bible)

+ We Respond to God’s Word +

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – APOSTLE’S CREED

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 "Still"

**I believe that You are God alone
But sometimes I still try to take control
Cause I get scared when I can't see the end
And all You want from me is to let go**

**You're parting waters making a way for me
You're moving mountains that I don't even see
You've answered my prayer before I even speak
All You need for me to be is still**

**I bring my praise before I bring my need
Cause there's no fear You've not already seen
I rest my heart on all Your promises
Cause I have seen and know Your faithfulness**

**You're parting waters making a way for me
You're moving mountains that I don't even see
You've answered my prayer before I even speak
All You need for me to be is still**

**And know that You are God Be still
And know that You, trust that You are parting waters
Lord, You whispered my name
Oh, You answered my prayer
You're moving mountains**

You're parting waters making a way for me
You're moving mountains that I don't even see
You've answered my prayer before I even speak
All You need for me to be is still

Be still

"Still" written by Justin Ebach, Molly Reed © 2015 Wordspring Music, LLC Scripture Reference: Exodus 14:14; Psalm 86:10; Proverbs 3:5-6; Isaiah 65:24 CCLI Song: 7050725 CCLI License: 51072

**MESSAGE "How Could She Give So Much?"Mark 12:38-44
by Rev. Dr. James F. Wright**

OFFERING SONG..... "God Bless America"

God bless America, land that I love
Stand beside her and guide her
Through the night with the light from above
From the mountains To the prairies,
To the ocean white with foam
God bless America, My home sweet home
God bless America, My home sweet home

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PRAYERS

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: We ready our hearts before You Lord in preparation for Your holy supper.

People: **It was Your body that was brutally broken. It was Your blood that was liberally shed, and it was Your love that motivated Your sacrifice.**

Pastor: May we also be motivated by Your love example to love others sacrificially. With much gratitude, we eat of this bread and drink of this cup and proclaim Your death until You come again.

People: **Praise You, Jesus, for Your sacrifice and the free gift of salvation.
Amen!**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION SONG “Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear,
The hour I first believed.

My chains are gone, I've been set free,
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood His mercy reigns,
Unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures.

My chains are gone, I've been set free,
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood His mercy reigns,
Unending love, amazing grace.

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,
The sun forbear to shine.
But God who called me here below,
Will be forever mine,
Will be forever mine,
You are forever mine.

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)" written by Chris Tomlin, John Newton, Louid Giglio 2006 worshiptogether.com songs
Scripture Reference: Ephesians 2:8-9, Psalm 44:8 CCLI Song: 4768151 CCLI License: 51072

+ We Depart in Peace +

BENEDICTION

Pastor: Remember all that you've been given and go and do likewise. God's blessings on you!

People: **And God's blessings on you!**

CLOSING SONG..... "Today Is The Day"

**I'm casting my cares aside. I'm leaving my past behind.
I'm setting my heart and mind on You, Jesus.
I'm reaching my hands to Yours, believing there's so much more,
Knowing that all You have in store for me is good, it's good.**

**Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it.
Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it.
And I won't worry about tomorrow; I'm trusting in what You say.
Today is the day. Today is the day.**

**I'm putting my fears aside. I'm leaving my doubts behind.
I'm giving my hopes and dreams to You, Jesus.
I'm reaching my hands to Yours, believing there's so much more,
Knowing that all You have in store for me is good, it's good.**

**Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it.
Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it.
And I won't worry about tomorrow; I'm trusting in what You say.
Today is the day. Today is the day.**

**I will stand upon Your truth. (I will stand upon Your truth.)
And all my days, I'll live for You. (All my days, I'll live for You.)
And I will stand upon Your truth. (I will stand upon Your truth.)
And all my days, I'll live for You. (All my days, I'll live.)**

**Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it.
Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it.
And I won't worry about tomorrow. I'm giving You my fears and sorrows.
Where You lead me, I will follow; I'm trusting in what You say.
Today is the day.
Today is the day.
Today is the day.
Today is the day.
Today is the day.**

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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.