

**CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE
FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 31, 2019
"FOLLOW THE FORGIVER"**

PRESERVICE # 1..... "Anywhere with Jesus"

Anywhere with Jesus I can safely go
Anywhere He leads me in this world below
Anywhere without Him dearest joys would fade
Anywhere with Jesus I am not afraid

Anywhere, anywhere, any little fear I'll never know
Anywhere with Jesus I can safely go

Anywhere with Jesus I am not alone
Other friends may fail me, He is still my own
Though His hand may lead me over dreariest ways
Anywhere with Jesus is a house of praise

Anywhere, anywhere, any little fear I'll never know
Anywhere with Jesus I can safely go

Anywhere with Jesus I can go to sleep
When the darkening shadows round about me creep
Knowing I shall waken, never more to roam
Anywhere with Jesus will be home, sweet home

Anywhere, anywhere, any little fear I'll never know
Anywhere with Jesus I can safely go
Anywhere with Jesus I can surely go

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PRESERVICE # 2..... "Open Up The Heavens"

We've waited for this day
We're gathered in Your Name
Calling out to You
Your glory like a fire awakening desire
Will burn our hearts with truth

You're the reason we're here
You're the reason we're singing

Open up the heavens we want to see You
Open up the floodgates a mighty river
Flowing from Your heart
Filling every part of our praise

Your presence in this place Your glory on our face
We're looking to the sky
Descending like a cloud You're standing with us now
Lord unveil our eyes

You're the reason we're here
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Show us show us Your glory
Show us show us Your power
Show us show us Your glory Lord

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WORSHIP THEME:.....“No Longer Lost”.....Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

As Jesus sat talking and eating with tax collectors and sinners, he shared the familiar parable of the prodigal son who squandered his inheritance and indulged in wild living. When the son returned home repentant and remorseful, his father clothed him in the finest garments and threw him a party to celebrate the return of his lost son. The older son was angry and didn't understand, but his father assured him that this return was worthy of rejoicing. Rejoice when those who were once lost are found. Leave their past behind them where it belongs, and embrace them like the Father embraced you.

+ We Lift Our Hearts in Worship +

OPENING SONG.....“Give Me Jesus”

In the morning, when I rise
In the morning, when I rise
In the morning, when I rise
Give me Jesus

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus
You can have all this world
Just give me Jesus

When I am alone
When I am alone
Oh when I am alone
Give me Jesus

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus
You can have all this world
Just give me Jesus

When I come to die
When I come to die
Oh when I come to die
Give me Jesus

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus
You can have all this world
Just give me Jesus

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus
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Just give me Jesus

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INVOCATION

Pastor: Greetings to you in the name of the Risen Lord Jesus Christ!

ALL: The Lord is with us.

Pastor: Let every breath praise the Lord!

ALL: Praise the Lord!

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: Heavenly Father, we come before you, mere vessels for You to use as Your ambassadors on this earth.

ALL: We are Yours.

Pastor: We have been made new through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. We are grateful to be together, here in your presence. Renew our hearts and minds today we pray,

ALL: Amen.

TIME OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: It's a wonderful mystery and a beautiful truth that we are loved by a good, good Father. In fact, His love knows no bounds. Even His only Son was sacrificed for us on a cross at Calvary so that we could be reconciled to God, the Father.

ALL: We are sinners, we confess. We need and accept the forgiveness of Jesus Christ who made atonement for our sins.

Pastor: Be reconciled to God who made Jesus, who was perfect and unblemished, to be sin for us.

ALL: And because of Christ, we have become the righteousness of God! Praise the Lord, oh my soul!

Pastor: Thank you, Lord. Amen

† We Hear God's Word †

Isaiah 12:1-6.....(on page 1078 in NIV pew Bible).....page 5 in bulletin
2 Corinthians 5:16-21..... (on page1798 in NIV pew Bible.....page 5 in bulletin
Luke 15:1-3, 11-32(on page 1623 in NIV pew Bible).....page 6 in bulletin

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – APOSTLE'S CREED

Pastor: Our God is great and greatly to be praised! Lift up your voices in unison and proclaim this affirmation of faith before the Triune God.

ALL: We believe in God who created us, sustains us every moment, and gives us life and breath.

We believe in Jesus Christ, who shows us the Father. He trusted God in all things and did not attach Himself to the world while He was in it. He gave His very life for the sake of healing the world from the problem of sin. He rose again and will return.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, whom we live by and who gives us life. We rely on His presence to fill us, to guide us, and to help us through this life.

We believe, yes we do, in the Holy Trinity! Amen.

SERMON SONG “The Faithful Love of Jesus”

There are arms that we can lean into
That always will receive us
An endless wealth of living truth
The faithful love of Jesus

I pray you'll know the love of God
The love that never leaves us
The height the depth the width the breadth
The faithful love of Jesus

Beneath our broken hearts and wounds
Where no one else can reach us
He finds a way to heal us through
The faithful love of Jesus

I pray you'll know the love of God
The love that never leaves us
The height the depth the width the breadth
The faithful love of Jesus

The light that moves
The hand that heals
The voice that speaks
The hope that's real

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MESSAGE "A Loving & Forgiving Father"..... Luke 15:1-3, 11-32
Rev. Gary Fortkamp

OFFERING/OFFERTORY..... "Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus"

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to take Him at His Word;
Just to rest upon His promise,
And to know, "Thus saith the Lord!"

Refrain:

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er
Jesus, Jesus, Precious Jesus
Oh, for grace to trust Him more!

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LORD'S PRAYER

† We Depart in Peace †

BENEDICTION

Pastor: *We have been found by Christ; we are no longer lost. So live as found men, women, and children rest in the grace of the Lord.*

ALL: We rest in the peace of knowing the Savior!

CLOSING SONG..... "I'll Fly Away"

Some bright morning when this life is o'er
I'll Fly Away
To a home on God's celestial shore
I'll Fly Away

Chorus:

I'll Fly Away Oh Glory
I'll fly away
When I die Hallelujah by and by
I'll Fly Away

When the shadows of this life have gone
I'll Fly Away
Like a bird from these prison walls I'll fly
I'll Fly Away

Chorus

I'll Fly Away Oh Glory
I'll fly away
When I die Hallelujah by and by
I'll Fly Away

Oh how glad and happy when we meet
I'll fly away
No more cold iron shackles on my feet
I'll fly away

Chorus

Just a few more weary days and then
I'll fly away
To a land where joys will never end
I'll fly away

Chorus

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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 Pastor after the service.

