

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE
APRIL 7, 2019
“A Radical Transformation”

SING A SONG..... Preservice #1

I want to sing a song for You, Lord
Lord, for You I want to sing a song
And I want to lift my voice to Heaven
And listen to the angels sing along

Chorus:

A song of Your faithfulness
A song of Your grace
And of Your loving kindness
To the glory of Your name
With everything that's in me, Lord
Listen to me say
I want to sing a song for You
I want to sing a song

I want to live my life for You, Lord
Lord, for You I want to live my life
I want to praise the name of Jesus
Pray above all things You're glorified (chorus)

And I sing about Your mercy
And I sing about Your love
Your goodness, Lord
Your righteousness
I want to sing. . . (chorus)

And we'll sing holy, holy, holy
We'll sing holy, holy, holy
We'll shout holy, holy
Are You Lord almighty

And we'll sing holy, holy, holy
We'll sing holy, holy, holy
We'll shout holy, holy
Are You Lord almighty (chorus)

COME, NOW IS THE TIME TO WORSHIP..... Preservice #2

**Come, now is the time to worship
Come, now is the time to give your heart
Come, just as you are to worship
Come, just as you are before your God
Come**

**One day every tongue will confess You are God
One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains for those
Who gladly know You now**

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"Come, Now Is The Time To Worship" written by Brian Doerksen 1998 Vineyard Songs Scripture Reference: Phil 2:6-11
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WORSHIP THEME – “A Radical Transformation” Luke 20:9-20

The Pharisees desperately wanted to arrest Jesus because He submitted to God’s authority above their own. So, they attempted to trap Him with their luring questions. When Jesus answered by telling the parable of the evil tenants, the religious leaders had no trouble interpreting that they were the tenants in the story, and their motives of murdering Jesus were exposed once again. The death and resurrection of Jesus followed, and God’s plan of transforming His people from the nation of Israel to the Church of the New Testament was finally set into motion.

WELCOME AND GREETING

+ We Lift Our Hearts in Worship +

WORD OF GOD SPEAK.....Opening Song

**I'm finding myself at a loss for words
And the funny thing is it's okay
The last thing I need is to be heard
But to hear what You would say**

**Word of God speak
Would You pour down like rain
Washing my eyes to see
Your majesty
To be still and know
That You're in this place
Please let me stay and rest
In Your holiness
Word of God speak**

**I'm finding myself in the midst of You
Beyond the music, beyond the noise
All that I need is to be with You
And in the quiet hear Your voice**

**Word of God speak
Would You pour down like rain
Washing my eyes to see
Your majesty
To be still and know
That You're in this place
Please let me stay and rest
In Your holiness**

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In Your holiness**

**I'm finding myself at a loss for words
And the funny thing is, it's okay
Celebrating as friends,
And proclaiming the Lord,
All our praises afford.**

INVOCATION

Pastor: I welcome you all in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

ALL: To Jesus Christ belongs all authority in heaven and on earth.

Pastor: We exalt the name, Jesus! The name above every name!

ALL: We worship our Lord, Jesus, Amen!

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: Father God, we approach You in humility to be called Your Church and Your Bride. We give You honor and declare that all the glory belongs to You.

ALL: Praise God, the Father in Heaven.

Pastor: We humbly ask You to give us Your eyes and ears today so that we may hear Your Word, receive it with gladness, and obey what You say. We are Your servants looking to be radically transformed by You.

ALL In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, amen.

TIME OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: As we reflect on the Word of God, we are reminded that the same God who parted the seas for the Israelites is the same God we serve now. He reminded the Israelites to not dwell on the former things that were, but to look forward to the new things He was doing. The same Christ who transformed Paul from a life of persecution to a radical zealot for the Kingdom is Christ our Lord and Savior. Paul looked ahead to the eternal prize of Heaven, and so should we. However, too often, we are trapped by the past unable to forgive and move on. And this is where we need the deliverance of our Savior.

ALL: Jesus, You selflessly sacrificed Your pure and spotless life for us to forgive us of our sins. We forget that we are to model Your actions of forgiveness, forgiving our brothers and sisters in Christ seventy times seven.

Pastor: We are at fault for holding grudges and allowing them to fester into pools of poison in our souls. Lord, this is not Your will or command, and we are sorry.

ALL: We repent of unforgiveness. Break our hearts for what breaks Yours.

Pastor: Restore what was lost and broken and turn our eyes to the eternal hope of meeting You face to face.

ALL: Thank you for forgiving us. Give us the strength to, in turn, forgive others.

Pastor: In Christ's name we pray,

ALL Amen.

† We Hear God's Word †

Isaiah 43:16-21(ESV).....(on page 1127 in NIV pew Bible).....(page 5 in bulletin)

Philippians 3:(4b-7) 8-14...(ESV)(on page 1828 in NIV pew Bible)..(page 5 in bulletin)

Luke 20:9-20 (ESV).....(on page 1633 in NIV pew Bible.....(page 6 in bulletin)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Pastor: Let us join our voices and hearts together and honor the Lord God, three-in-one.

ALL: We believe in God the Father who chose the Israelites as His people. He provided for them in the desert, even when their thoughts led them astray. He parted the seas and drowned the enemy chariots. He fought enemy armies and remembered His people in times of trouble.

We believe in Christ, the Son, Jesus, who met Saul the persecutor on the road to Damascus. By His power, Jesus set Saul free and transformed his heart to live for Christ. Jesus set us free by the power of His death and resurrection from sin's grasp, and we are no longer slaves because of Christ.

We believe in the divine Holy Spirit, who fills believers everywhere and pours Himself out on us for the glory and mission of God. He rested on the apostles who were gathered at Pentecost as tongues of fire, enabling them to speak in other tongues. He is one with the Father and the Son.

God the Father, the Son, Jesus Christ, and the divine Holy Spirit are one. To God be the glory forever and ever, Amen!

HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US..... Sermon Song

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**

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**MESSAGE..... "The Surpassing Worth of Knowing Jesus"Phillipians 4:8-14
Rev. Gary Fortkamp**

OFFERING

BLESS THIS OFFERING Offering Song

**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.**

*Scripture Reference: Genesis 14:20, Psalms 9:1-2
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THE LORD'S PRAYER

+ WE DEPART IN PEACE +

DISMISSAL BLESSING

Pastor: Jesus, we ask for your blessing as we continue living outside of these walls. May we be changed by the Word of God and not stagnant in living out Your mission.

ALL We live for Christ alone! Lord, give us strength.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: You are a radically changed people, transformed by Christ. Reflect His light and press on toward God's reward ahead.

**ALL: We are the Church. May we live as a transformed people for Jesus!
Amen.**

Shout to the Lord.....Closing Song

**My Jesus, my Savior
Lord there is none like You
All of my days
I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love**

**My comfort, my shelter
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath
All that I am
Never cease to worship You**

**Shout to the Lord
All the earth
Let us sing
Power and majesty
Praise to the King
Mountains bow down
And the seas will roar
At the sound
Of Your name**

**I sing for joy
At the work
Of Your hands
Forever I'll love You
Forever I'll stand
Nothing compares
To the promise
I have in You**

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.

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