

APRIL 21, 2024

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Greeting One Another

Isaiah 53:6

*We all, like sheep, have gone astray,
each of us has turned to his own way;
and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.*

HYMN 358 ~ '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;
Just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!

How I've proved Him o'er and o'er!

Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!

O for grace to trust Him more!

O how sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to trust His cleansing blood;
Just in simple faith to plunge me
'Neath the healing cleansing flood!

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just from sin and self to cease;
Just from Jesus simply taking
Life and rest, and joy and peace.

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee,
Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;
And I know that Thou art with me,
Wilt be with me to the end.

PRAYER

ABOVE ALL

Above all powers, above all kings,
Above all nature and all created things.
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man,
You were here before the world began.

Above all kingdoms, above all thrones,
Above all wonders the world has ever known,
Above all wealth and treasures of the earth,
There's no way to measure what You're worth.

Crucified, and laid behind the stone,
You lived to die, rejected and alone.
Like a rose, trampled on the ground,
You took the fall, and thought of me, above all.

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HYMN 457 ~ BE STILL, MY SOUL

Be still, my soul! The Lord is on thy side.
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
Leave to thy God to order and provide.
In every change He faithful will remain.

**Be still, my soul! Thy best, Thy heavenly Friend
Thro' thorny ways leads to a joyful end.**

Be still, my soul! Thy God doth undertake
To guide the future as He has the past.
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.

**Be still, my soul! The waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below.**

Be still, my soul! The hour is hastening on
When we shall be forever with the Lord,
When disappointment, grief and fear are gone,
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.

**Be still, my soul! When change and tears are past,
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.**

HYMN 453 ~ IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL

When peace like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

**It is well with my soul,
It is well, it is well
With my soul.**

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

My sin – O, the bliss of this glorious thought,
My sin – not in part but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

***It is well with my soul,
It is well, it is well
With my soul.***

And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
“Even so” – it is well with my soul.

Giving to the Lord

WONDERFUL, MERCIFUL SAVIOR

Wonderful, merciful Savior,
Precious Redeemer and Friend.

Who would have thought that a Lamb could
Rescue the souls of men?

Oh, You rescue the souls of men.

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper,
Spirit, we long to embrace.

You offer hope when our hearts
Have hopelessly lost the way.

Oh, we hopelessly lost the way.

*You are the One that we praise,
You are the One we adore.*

*You give the healing and grace
Our hearts always hunger for.*

Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Almighty, infinite Father, faithfully loving Your own.

Here in our weakness You find us
Falling before Your throne.

Oh, we're falling before Your throne.

*You are the One that we praise,
You are the One we adore.*

*You give the healing and grace
Our hearts always hunger for.*

Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

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Prayer

THE WONDER FROM WALKING IN THE WILL OF GOD

Matthew 3:13-17

I. THE ARRIVAL OF JESUS (3:13-15)

- A. The Priority for Jesus (13)
- B. The Problem for John (14)
- C. The Purpose of God (15)

II. THE ANOINTING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT (3:16)

- A. The Exodus of Jesus (16a)
- B. The Entrance of the Spirit (16b)
 - 1. *Heaven Opened*
 - 2. *Spirit Descends*
 - 3. *Spirit Anoints*

III. THE APPROVAL OF THE FATHER (3:17)

- A. His Voice (17a)
- B. His Validation (17b)
 - 1. *Of His Position*
 - 2. *Of His Possession*
 - 3. *Of His Pleasure*

HYMN 469 ~ TRUST AND OBEY (1, 5)

When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word,
What a glory He sheds on our way!
While we do His good will, He abides with us still,
And with all who will trust and obey.

**Trust and obey,
For there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus,
But to trust and obey.**

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at His feet,
Or we'll walk by His side in the way;
What He says we will do, where He sends we will go,
Never fear, only trust and obey.

Announcements

Missions Committee Meeting: *April 21, 11:00 am*

The Missions Committee plans to meet on Sunday, April 21, following the Worship Service.

Men's Fellowship: *April 24, 7:00 am*

Men's Fellowship meets on Wednesday mornings at the church in the Fellowship Hall. We meet at 7:00 a.m. and are continuing our discussion with Colossians 2:16.

Praise Team Rehearsal: *April 24, 7:00 pm*

The Praise Team plans to rehearse this Wednesday evening.

Rising Up Door Offering: *April 28*

Following the Worship Service on April 28, we will have a Door Offering to help support the work of Rising Up in our community.

Heavenly Heartbeats: *May 1, 5:30 pm*

Our women's Bible study will meet Wednesday evening, May 1, at 5:30 p.m. We will begin a new study by Kristi McLelland called *Jesus & Women*. We will be looking at biblical culture and Jesus' interactions with the women He encountered and ministered to during His earthly ministry.

Diaper Shower: *May 19*

Clay and Alison will be welcoming third child in June. We are hosting a Diaper Shower to help welcome this little one. You can bring diapers (or a gift of your choosing) to the church by May 12. You can also contribute financially by contacting Debra Tolson.

VBS: *June 5-7*

Kenzie Creech is happy to direct our VBS this June. We are planning on June 5-7 with the kids singing in church on June 9 with a barbecue/picnic following the service. There are many places and opportunities to help so please let Kenzie or Pastor Tolson know if you would like to help with this ministry.

Peru Mission Team: *June 23 – July 1*

Our team that will be ministering in Anta (about 15 miles from Cusco), is Arlene Weimer, Bob Tolson, Parker Stone and Ty Griffith.

Home Bible Study

We plan to meet and discuss how we would like to move forward as we approach the summer months. Anyone interested is invited to give input. The date and time will be forthcoming.

Offerings

Thank you so very much for your faithful giving. Offerings can be mailed to the church or given online at www.iechurch.org.