

# *THE CHURCH OF THE MASTER*

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*Welcome to worship and Christian fellowship!  
Please greet one another in Christ's name after the service.*

## *Seventh Sunday of Easter Ascension Sunday*

*May 17, 2026*

*11:00 AM*

### *Silent Preparation for Worship*

*"Praise God in his sanctuary [and] in his mighty heavens!  
Praise him for his mighty deeds [and] his excellent greatness!"...  
Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!" (Psalm 150:1-2,6).*

### *Welcome*

*\* Hymn of Praise #240 - "All Hail the Power"*

*\* Call to Worship: (responsively)*

*Come and follow Jesus.*

**WE WOULD FOLLOW BUT WE WANT TO KNOW WHERE WE ARE GOING.**

*Come and follow Jesus. He will lead you where we are going.*

**WE WOULD FOLLOW BUT WE HAVE THINGS TO DO FIRST.**

*Come and follow Jesus. The commonwealth of God is your only task.*

**WE WOULD FOLLOW BUT WHO WILL TAKE CARE OF OUR THINGS?**

*Come and follow Jesus. The gift of God is abundant life, joyful and eternal.*

**WE WILL FOLLOW JESUS. AMEN.**

*\* Prayer of Praise and Adoration*

*\* Confession of Faith - Apostles' Creed (#622 in hymnal), page 5 on this PDF*

## *Call to Confession*

### *Prayer of Confession (in unison)*

WE CONFESS TO YOU, LOVING CREATOR GOD, THAT WE HAVE NOT LIVED IN THE TRUTH THAT JESUS TOLD US. WE HAVE NOT CHOSEN YOUR REIGN BEFORE SELFISH CONCERNS. WE HAV NOT BECOME SERVANTS OF OTHERS. WE HAVE NOT SOUGHT TO LOSE OUR LIVES IN YOU, BUT RATHER WE HAVE CLUNG TO THE TRAPPINGS OF MORTAL EXISTENCE. WE HAVE CALLED JESUS OUR LORD BUT WE HAVE PLACED ALL MANNER OF PEOPLE AND THINGS AHEAD OF OUR SERVICE TO HIS REIGN OF LOVE AND JUSTICE.

FORGIVE US, AND BY THE POWER OF YOUR HOLY SPIRIT, SO FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE AND POWER THAT WE WILL RESIST THE CALL OF EARTHLY THINGS AND SEEK INSTEAD THAT WHICH IS ETERNAL AMEN.

### *Announcements*

\* *Hymn of Preparation #243 - "Crown Him With Many Crowns"*

*Easter Theme: "Resurrection Hope!"*

*Scripture: Acts 1:1-11 (vv. 1-3,4-6,8-10,11)*

*Psalm 47:1-9 (v.1-3,5-7,8-9)*

*Sermon- "Resurrection Hope: Remains Present with Us After Jesus' Ascension!"*

### *Lord's Prayer*

\* *Doxology (#39)*

\* *Blessing of Our Tithes and Offerings*

\* *Prayer*

\* *Closing Hymn #80- "Take the Name of Jesus"*

### *Choral Benediction- "Shalom to You" (congregation)*

Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends. May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.

In all your living and through your loving, Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

\* *Benediction (Pastor)*

\* Please stand if able

## *Church of the Master Ministries*

<b>Sunday</b>	11:00 AM	<b>Worship Service</b> (Holy Communion celebrated on the 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month)
	12:00 PM	<b>"Hour of Prayer Power"</b> in Hahn Hall.
<b>Monday</b>	5:00-9:00 PM	Bushiken Karate
<b>Wednesday</b>	7:00 PM	Online Bible study: Contact Ron Rivera for info on joining
	5:00-9:00PM	<b>Bushiken Karate</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	7:30 PM	Women's Alcoholic Anonymous
<b>Saturday</b>	12:00 noon	<b>Online Bible study:</b> Contact Ron Rivera for info on joining
	9:30AM-1:00PM	Bushiken Karate

## MINISTRY OF PRAYER

“Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer”

### The Prayer List

Our prayers reflect a wonderful and whole-hearted commitment to intercessory prayer by this congregation. Each name will remain on the prayer list for 3 weeks.

Prayers of Thanksgiving:

Prayers for Those with Special Needs:

Casey \* Diane \* Anne Dowling \* Jerry Kempes \* Jane Maze \* Donald Zuvich

Prayers for Those Who Are Ill or have Medical Concerns:

Tia Blake \* Maddie \* Jeannie \* Ed Bungert \* Catherine Gomez \* Carol & Mark Cintron \* Arlene 'Auntie' Mayers \* Danielle \* Maryann Miletto \* Denise Reidy \* Carole Mahon \* Pat \* Rev. Liz Brantum \* Frank Font \* Sharon Alexander \* Rosa Stewart \* Gene Peterson \* Damon Hayden \* Janet (friend of Mahon family) \* Beverly Morrison \* Patti Zeig \* Rev. Singletary \* Connie \* Loretta Byrd & Wendy \* Diante \* Allen Ford \* Alice & Alex Rivera \*

Prayers for Those Dealing with Turmoil or Family Difficulties:

Rob & family \* Cintron family \* Pat's family \* Heather \* Donny & Carolyn Rosemond \* Nancy & Gene Peterson \* Barbara \* Jay Escobar & family \* Sharon Alexander \* Damon & Alex and family \* Wintress \* Kiera & Avery & Martz family \* Tyler, Nicole & Jackson \* All caregivers \* everyone battling addictions

Prayers For Those Seeking Direction/Needing God's Presence in Their Lives:

Heather \* Zachariah Bungert \* Ed & Marnie Reidy and their sons \* Elvis Frias Sr. & Theresa \* Diante Stinson \* Corey Streeter \* young adults

Prayers for Those Seeking Employment:

Prayers for World Concerns:

An end to the war between Russia & Ukraine and the war with Iran \* An end to all the violence \* Peace and healing in our community and the nation \* All first responders \* Our country's safety \* The future of our churches \* The President and his administration \* Pastor Sohail Latif and his congregation in Pakistan \* Worldwide conflicts \* Sean Buckley and all active duty members & their families

Prayers for the families & friends of those who have died:

**PRAYERS FOR THE GROWTH OF CHURCH OF THE MASTER:**

**Lord, please send people through our doors with whom we can share the love and saving grace of Jesus Christ.**

## *ANNOUNCEMENTS*

### CHURCH OF THE MASTER MISSION STATEMENT

*We are a Christ-centered community church united in prayer and loving Christian fellowship, Bible teaching and preaching Christ crucified,*

# 240 — All Hail the Power

EDWARD PERRONET

Alt. by John Rippon

OLIVER HOLDEN



1. All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
2. Ye cho - sen seed of Is - rael's race, Ye ran - somed from the fall,
3. Let ev - 'ry kin - dred, ev - 'ry tribe, On this ter - res - trial ball,
4. O that with yon - der sa - cred throng We at His feet may fall!



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, And crown Him Lord of all;  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all;  
To Him all maj - es - ty as - cribe, And crown Him Lord of all;  
We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, And crown Him Lord of all;



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Tune: CORONATION

# The Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.**

# 243 — Crown Him with Many Crowns

1,2,4 - MATTHEW BRIDGES  
3 - GODFREY THRING

GEORGE J. ELVEY

1. Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne:  
2. Crown Him the Lord of love: Be - hold His hands and side—  
3. Crown Him the Lord of life: Who tri - umphed o'er the grave,  
4. Crown Him the Lord of heav'n: One with the Fa - ther known,

Hark! how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own!  
Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri - fied.  
Who rose vic - to - rious to the strife For those He came to save.  
One with the Spir - it thru Him giv'n From yon - der glo - rious throne.

A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And  
No an - gel in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight, But  
His glo - ries now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who  
To Thee be end - less praise, For Thou for us hast died; Be

hail Him as thy match-less King Thru all e - ter - ni - ty.  
down-ward bends his won-d'ring eye At mys - ter - ies so bright.  
died e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.  
Thou, O Lord, thru end - less days A - dored and mag - ni - fied.\*

Tune: DIADEMATA  
CHRIST: HIS ASCENSION AND REIGN

di - a - dem, And crown Him, crown Him, crown Him, Crown Him Lord of all!\*

## Acts 1: 1-11 (vv. 1-3, 4-6, 8-10, 11)

## Psalm 47: 1-9 (vv. 1-3, 5-7, 8-9)

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning <sup>2</sup> until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup> After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

<sup>4</sup> While staying<sup>[a]</sup> with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; <sup>5</sup> for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with<sup>[b]</sup> the Holy Spirit not many days from now.” <sup>6</sup> So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?”

<sup>7</sup> He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority.

<sup>8</sup> But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” <sup>9</sup> When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup> While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them.

<sup>11</sup> They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

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Clap your hands, all you peoples;  
shout to God with loud songs of joy.

<sup>2</sup> For the LORD, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth.

<sup>3</sup> He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet.

<sup>4</sup> He chose our heritage for us,  
the pride of Jacob whom he loves. *Selah*

<sup>5</sup> God has gone up with a shout,  
the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

<sup>6</sup> Sing praises to God, sing praises;  
sing praises to our King, sing praises.

<sup>7</sup> For God is the king of all the earth;  
sing praises with a psalm.

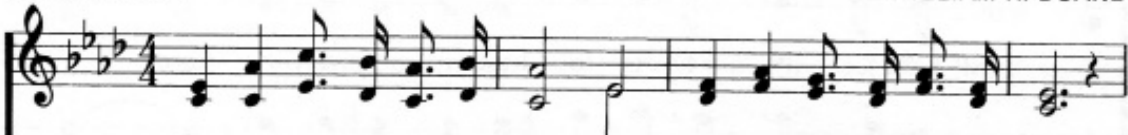
<sup>8</sup> God is king over the nations;  
God sits on his holy throne.

<sup>9</sup> The princes of the peoples gather  
as the people of the God of Abraham.  
For the shields of the earth belong to God;  
he is highly exalted.

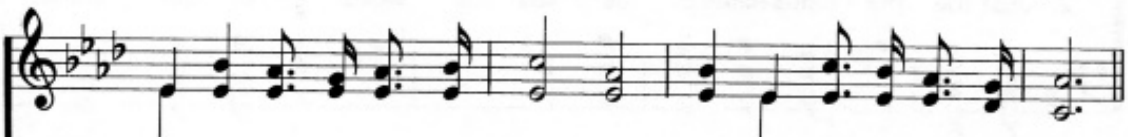
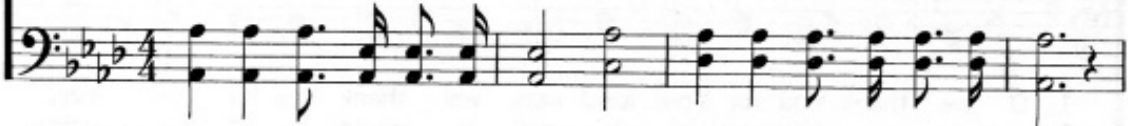
# 80 — Take the Name of Jesus with You

LYDIA BAXTER

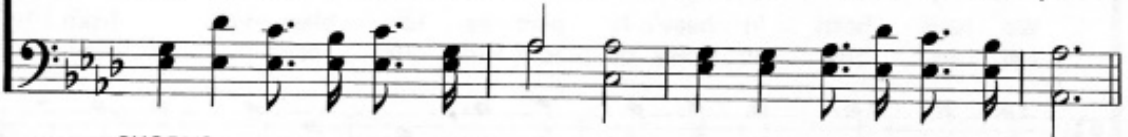
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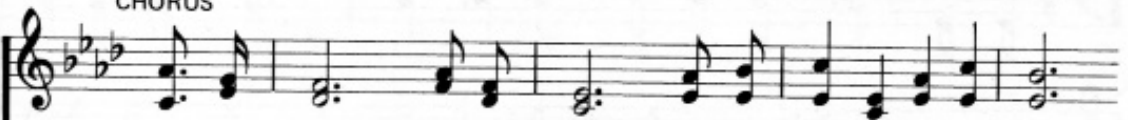
1. Take the name of Je - sus with you, Child of sor - row and of woe;
2. Take the name of Je - sus ev - er, As a shield from ev-'ry snare;
3. O the pre-cious name of Je - sus! How it thrills our souls with joy,
4. At the name of Je - sus bow - ing, Fall - ing pros-trate at His feet,



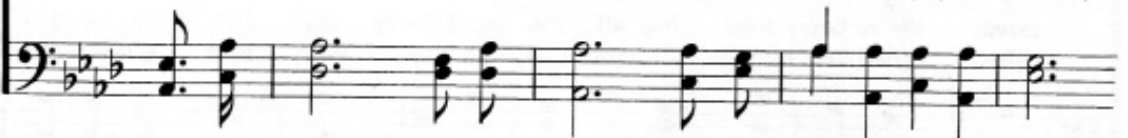
It will joy and com - fort give you— Take it, then, wher-e'er you go.  
If temp - ta - tions round you gath - er, Breathe that ho-ly name in prayer.  
When His lov - ing arms re - ceive us And His songs our tongues em-ploy!  
King of kings in heav'n we'll crown Him When our jour-ney is com - plete.



## CHORUS



Pre - cious name, O how sweet! Hope of earth and joy of heav'n;



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WORSHIP: THE SON