

SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Greeting One Another

Psalm 119:18

Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law.

HYMN 16 ~ HOW GREAT THOU ART (1, 3, 4)

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder,
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made;
I see the stars; I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

***Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!***

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, "My God, how great Thou art!"

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PRAYER

DRAW ME CLOSE TO YOU

Draw me close to You, never let me go.
I'd lay it all, down again to hear You say
That I'm Your friend.

Help me find a way to bring me back to You.

You're all I want. You're all I've ever needed.
You're all I want. Help me know You are near.

You are my desire, no one else will do.

No one else can take Your place

To feel the warmth of Your embrace.

Help me find a way to bring me back to You.

You're all I want. You're all I've ever needed.
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HYMN 371 ~ REACH OUT TO JESUS

Is your burden heavy, as you bear it all alone?
Does the road you travel, harbor danger yet unknown?
Are you growing weary, in the struggle of it all?
Jesus will help you, when on His name you call.
**He is always there, hearing ev'ry prayer, faithful and true,
Walking by our side in His love we hide, all the day through.
When you get discouraged, just remember what to do.
Reach out to Jesus, He's reaching out to you.**

Is the life you're living, filled with sorrow and despair?
Does the future press you, with its worry and its care?
Are you tired and friendless, have you almost lost your way?
Jesus, will help you, just come to Him today.

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HE LOOKED BEYOND MY FAULT

Amazing grace, shall always be my song of praise.
For it was grace that bought my liberty.
I do not know, just why He came to love me so,
He looked beyond my fault and saw my need.
**I shall forever lift mine eyes to Calvary.
To view the cross, where Jesus died for me.
How marvelous, that Grace that caught my falling soul.
He looked beyond my fault and saw my need.**

If not for grace, my soul would be a drifting ship,
With no safe harbor from the angry waves.
But Calvary's cross shines brightly
Through the darkest storm
And just in time, His mercy rescues me.

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Offering

HYMN 383 ~ GRACE GREATER THAN OUR SIN (1-3)

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,
Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt,
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured,
There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

***Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that is greater than all our sin.***

Sin and despair like the sea waves cold,
Threaten the soul with infinite loss;
Grace that is greater, yes, grace untold,
Points to the refuge, the mighty Cross.

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide,
What can avail to wash it away?
Look! There is flowing a crimson tide;
Whiter than snow you may be today.

Prayer

REPENTANCE THAT PRODUCES REJOICING

Matthew 11:16-26

I. REJECTING GOD'S REVELATION (11:16-24)

A. Disregards Wisdom (11:16-19)

- 1. Controlling (16-17)*
- 2. Criticizing (18-19a)*
- 3. Calloused (19b)*

B. Disdains Repentance (11:20-24)

- 1. Resisting Repentance (20)*
- 2. Rebuffing Revelation (21-22)*
- 3. Ridiculing Righteousness (23-24)*

II. REJOICING IN GOD'S REVELATION (11:25-26)

A. Praise to God (25)

- 1. Is Reflective (25a)*
- 2. Is Responsive (25b)*
- 3. Is Revealed (25c)*
- 4. Is Righteous (25d)*

B. Pleasure for God (26)

FOREVER

Give thanks to the Lord, our God and King;
His love endures forever.
For He is good, He is above all things;
His love endures forever.

Sing praise, sing praise.

With a mighty hand and outstretched arm;
His love endures forever.
For the life that's been reborn;
His love endures forever.

Sing praise, sing praise,
Sing praise, sing praise.

Forever God is faithful, forever God is strong,
Forever God is with us, forever, forever.

From the rising to the setting sun,
His love endures forever.
And by the grace of God we will carry on;
His love endures forever.

Sing praise, sing praise,
Sing praise, sing praise.

Forever God is faithful, forever God is strong,
Forever God is with us, forever, forever.

Forever God is faithful, forever God is strong,
Forever God is with us, forever, forever.

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Announcements

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

The Missions Committee plans to meet in the Library following this morning's Worship Service.

Willow Women's Bible Study: *September 22, 4:30 pm*

The Willow Women's Bible Study will meet on September 22. Please visit with Heidi if you are interested in joining this study so that you can get a workbook.

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

Men's Fellowship meets on Wednesday mornings in the Fellowship Hall. We meet at 7:00 a.m. and are continuing a study of the life of David in 2 Samuel 7:18.

Ladies Let's Talk: *September 26, 5:30 pm*

"Ladies Let's Talk" is focused on Equipping and Empowering to Protect our Families and Stand for Truth. Madysen Griffith DeHerrera is a Licensed Social Worker and Adolescent Therapist working with justice involved youth and will be sharing about all things technology, keeping children safe and parenting in today's digital age from a place of victory and authority. There will be Snacks and Fellowship from 5:30-6:00 and then the Program and Q&A from 6:00-7:00.

Home Bible Study: *September 30, 5:30 pm*

The Home Bible Study will meet on September 30 this month. We meet in different homes, so please check with Pastor Tolson if you are interested in joining. We are continuing our study of Philippians with Chapter 8 in our workbook.

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

Heavenly Heartbeats meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays from 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Contact Arlene Weimer if you would like to join the study. You will need the workbook *From Beginning to Forever*.

Praise Team Rehearsal: *October 1, 7:00 pm*

The Praise Team will resume rehearsing on Wednesday evening, October 1, at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Offerings

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