# MARCH 21, 2021

# Ephesians 3:17b–19

And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ,

and to know this love that surpasses knowledge – that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

#### HYMN $275 \sim \text{Because He Lives}$ (1, 3)

God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus;
He came to love, heal, and forgive;
He lived and died to buy my pardon,
An empty grave is there to prove
My Savior lives!

Because He lives I can face tomorrow;
Because He lives all fear is gone;
Because I know He holds the future,
And life is worth the living
Just because He lives!

And then one day I'll cross that river;
I'll fight life's final war with pain;
And then as death gives way to victory,
I'll see the lights of glory
And I'll know He reigns.

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# HYMN 255 $\sim$ Jesus Paid It All (1, 4)

I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small; Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in Me thine all in all."

> Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

And when before the throne I stand in Him complete, "Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat.

#### PRAYER

#### Hymn 291 ~ King of Kings

King of kings and Lord of lords, glory, hallelujah! King of kings and Lord of lords, glory, hallelujah! Jesus, Prince of Peace, glory, hallelujah! Jesus, Prince of Peace, glory, hallelujah!

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#### Hymn 290 ~ Our God Reigns

How lovely on the mountains are the feet of them Who brings good news, good news.

Announcing peace, proclaiming news of happiness.

Our God reigns, our God reigns.

Our God reigns, our God reigns,

Our God reigns, our God reigns.

He had no stately form, He had no majesty That we should be drawn to Him.

He was despised and we took no account of Him Yet now, He reigns with the Most High.

Our God reigns, our God reigns,

Our God reigns, our God reigns.

Out from the tomb He came with grace and majesty He is alive;

God loves us so, see here His hands, His feet, His side.

Yes we know, He is alive.

Our God reigns, our God reigns,

Our God reigns, our God reigns.

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#### Hymn $7 \sim Great$ is the Lord

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just; By His power we trust in His love. Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true; By His mercy He proves He is love.

Great is the Lord and worthy of glory! Great is the Lord and worthy of praise.

Great is the Lord;

Now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice: Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!

Great are You, Lord, and worthy of glory!

Great are You, Lord, and worthy of praise.

Great are You, Lord;

I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice:

Great are You Lord! Great are You Lord!

Great are You Lord!

Great are You Lord!

Great are You Lord!

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# Rooted and Established 1 John 4:19-21

- I. Growing Faithfulness (4:19-20)
  - A. Love's Origin (19)
  - B. Love's Obligation (20)
    - 1. Live with Integrity (20a)
    - 2. Love with Grace (20b)
- II. GROWING IN GRACE (4:21)
  - A. THE EXPECTATION (21<sup>A</sup>)
  - B. THE EXPRESSION (21<sup>B</sup>)

#### Hymn 276 $\sim$ The Day of Resurrection (1, 3)

The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad; The Passover of Gladness, the Passover of God. From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky, Our Christ hath brought us over with hymns of victory.

Now let the heav'ns be joyful! Let earth her song begin! The world resound in triumph, and all that is therein; Let all things seen and unseen their notes in gladness blend; For Christ the Lord hath risen, our joy that hath no end.

# **Announcements**

## Men's Fellowship: March 24, 7:00 am

Men's Fellowship meets at the church in the Fellowship Hall. We meet at 7:00 a.m. and are beginning our discussion with Acts 19.

# NO Praise Team Rehearsal: March 24, 7:00 pm

The Praise Team will NOT rehearse this Wednesday evening.

# Diaper Shower: March 28

Travis and Chelsea Kroskob are expecting twin boys the first of May and we want to help them out with a diaper shower. Please either bring diapers or you can give a financial contribution to Debra to go towards diapers by March 21.

# Maundy Thursday Service: April 1, 7:00 am

On Thursday evening, April 1, we will reflect upon and remember our Lord's suffering as He approached the cross. We will celebrate Communion together as part of this service. It is meaningful to have our church family participate so, if you have a special piece of music or song, then please let Pastor Tolson or Cindy Lind know.

#### **Heavenly Heartbeats:** April 7, 5:30 pm

Heavenly Heartbeats is studying the Minor Prophets on April 7. If you are interested in joining the study, please contact Arlene Weimer (380-6041 or weimer3138@gmail.com). We meet the first and third Wednesdays from 5:30 p.m.

#### **VBS:** May 24-28

We are hoping to have our vacation bible school the week of May 24-28 from 6:00 pm -8:00 pm. I am looking for helpers. If you could please let me know what you would be interested in, I would really appreciate it. We need crafts, snacks, music, group leaders, decorations. Our theme is "Concrete and Cranes." Also, if there is someone who would like to partner with me this year and learn the ropes, I would like to pass this opportunity along to someone else after this year. ~ Ceri Middlemist

# **Offerings**

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