

CASUAL WORSHIP

April 3, 2022

11:30 AM

WELCOME

*GATHERING SONG

“Soon and Very Soon” by Andrae Crouch

Soon and very soon we are going to see the King,
Soon and very soon we are going to see the King,
Soon and very soon we are going to see the King,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, we are going to see the King!

No more cryin' there we are going to see the King,
No more cryin' there we are going to see the King,
No more cryin' there we are going to see the King,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, we are going to see the King!

No more dyin' there we are going to see the King,
No more dyin' there we are going to see the King,
No more dyin' there we are going to see the King,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, we are going to see the King!

Soon and very soon we are going to see the King,
Soon and very soon we are going to see the King,
Soon and very soon we are going to see the King,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, we're are going to see the King!

*CALL TO WORSHIP

“Here I Am To Worship” by Tim Hughes

Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes, let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

Here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days
Oh, so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came to the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor

Here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

Well, I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
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OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

Almighty God, you know that sometimes it's difficult for us to worship. Our lives are so cluttered with appointments, concerns, worries, possessions, work and play that it seems that we have neither the time nor the energy to praise. Help us, we pray, to clear our minds and to cleanse our souls so we can worship you with sincerity, clarity and purpose. Amen.

ASKING FOR FORGIVENESS

Leader: If we have been more concerned about our image before others than about your image in us,

People: Forgive us and make us new.

Leader: If we have worried more about what others think than about what you think,

People: Forgive us and correct our values.

Leader: If we have been more eager to accumulate things than to grow as people,

People: Forgive us and correct our vision.

Leader: If we are more eager to impress than to bless,

People: Forgive us and pattern us after the Lord.

Leader: Our God is a pardoning God,

People: not holding our sin against us, and forgiving us through Christ.

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

"If It Had Not Been for the Lord" by Margaret P Douroux

If it had not been for the Lord on my side
Where would I be? Where would I be?
If it had not been for the Lord on my side
Where would I be? Where would I be?

If it had not been for the Lord on my side
Where would I be? Where would I be?
If it had not been for the Lord on my side

Where would I be? Where would I be?

He kept my enemies away
He let the sun shine through a cloudy day
Oh, he wrapped me in the cradle of his arms
When he knew I'd been battered and torn
So...

If it had not been for the Lord on my side
Where would I be? Where would I be?
If it had not been for the Lord on my side
Where would I be? Where would I be?

He never left me all alone
He gave me peace and joy I've never known
He answered when I knelt to really pray
And in victory, the Lord showed me the way

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Where would I be? Where would I be?
If it had not been for the Lord on my side
Where would I be? Where would I be?

BIBLE READING

MESSAGE

Dr. Bob Spratt

SPECIAL MUSIC

“On Eagle’s Wings”

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord
Who abide in His shadow for life
Say to the Lord, "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of His hand

The snare of the fowler will never capture you
And famine will bring you no fear
Under His wings your refuge, His faithfulness your shield

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of His hand

You need not fear the terror of the night
Nor the arrow that flies by day
Though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of His hand

For to His angels He's given a command
To guard you in all of your ways
Upon their hands they will bear you up
Lest you dash your foot against a stone

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of His hand

SHARING OF CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

Congregational Response: "Lord, we praise you." or "Lord, hear our prayer"

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO SUPPORT CHRIST'S CHURCH

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)

Gracious God, every good gift comes from you. In gratitude for the many blessings we have received, we offer you our lives, and our gifts. Please multiply these offerings in the service of others. Through Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Supper

Words of Institution

Prayer of Commitment (Unison)

Eternal God, we give thanks for the bread of life and the cup of eternal salvation. Grant that we may be strengthened in your service to share the good news of the gospel with others. Amen.

CLOSING SONG

"Speak O Lord"

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your Holy Word
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness

That the light of Christ might be seen today

In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory

Teach us Lord, full obedience
Holy reverence, true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity

Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority
Words of pow'r that can never fail
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity

And by grace we'll stand on Your promises
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory

BENEDICTION

We are a welcoming Christian family who worships God and nurtures spiritual growth through friendship, learning, music and serving others.

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