

CASUAL WORSHIP

September 4, 2022

11:30 AM

WELCOME

*GATHERING SONG

Your Grace is Enough by Matt Maher

Great is Your faithfulness, oh God
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart
You lead us by still waters into mercy
And nothing can keep us apart
So, remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise, oh God
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me
Great is Your love and justice, God of Jacob
You use the weak to lead the strong
You lead us in the song of Your salvation
And all Your people sing along
So, remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise, oh God
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me
Yeah, Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me
Remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise, oh God
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me
Yeah, Your grace is enough
Heaven reaches out to us
Your grace is enough for me
God I sing, Your grace is enough
I'm covered in Your love
Your grace is enough for me, for me
It's enough for me

OPENING PRAYER:

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

Holy and merciful God, in Your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. By Your loving mercy, help us to live in Your light and abide in Your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

***DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Leader: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

People: By the grace of our Lord, we are forgiven. Amen.

BIBLE READING

VOCAL SOLO

Mighty to Save by Reuben Morgan

Everyone needs compassion
A love that's never failing, let mercy fall on me
Everyone needs forgiveness
The kindness of a Savior, the Hope of nations
Savior, He can move the mountains
My God is mighty to save
He is mighty to save
Forever, author of Salvation
He rose and conquered the grave
Jesus conquered the grave
So take me as You find me
All my fears and failures
Fill my life again
I give my life to follow
Everything I believe in
And now I surrender (I surrender)
Savior, He can move the mountains
My God is mighty to save
He is mighty to save
Forever, author of Salvation
He rose and conquered the grave
Jesus conquered the grave
Savior, He can move the mountains
My God is mighty to save
He is mighty to save
Forever, author of Salvation
He rose and conquered the grave
Jesus conquered the grave
Shine Your light and let the whole world see
We're singing for the glory of the risen King, Jesus
Shine Your light and let the whole world see
We're singing for the glory of the risen King
Savior, He can move the mountains
My God is mighty to save

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MESSAGE

Dr. Bob Spratt

SPECIAL MUSIC

Congregational Song – Amazing Grace - My Chains are Gone by Chris Tomlin

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found
Was blind, but now I see
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed
My chains are gone, I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love
Amazing grace
The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures
My chains are gone, I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love
Amazing grace
My chains are gone, I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me

And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love
Amazing grace
The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God, who called me here below
Will be forever mine, will be forever mine
You are forever mine

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 THANKSGIVING (Unison)**

Gracious God, every good gift comes from You. In gratitude for the bounty of blessings we have received, we offer you our lives, our tithes, and our offerings. Be pleased to multiply these offerings in the service of others. Through 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

Lead Me To the Cross by Brooke Fraser

Savior I come
Quiet my soul, remember
Redemption's hill
Where Your blood was spilled
For my ransom
Everything I once held dear
I count it all as lost
Lead me to the cross
Where Your love poured out
Bring me to my knees
Lord I lay me down
Rid me of myself
I belong to You
Lead me, lead me to the cross
You were as I
Tempted and trialed

Human
The word became flesh
Bore my sin and death
Now you're risen
Everything I once held dear
I count it all as lost
Lead me to the cross
Where Your love poured out
Bring me to my knees
Lord I lay me down
Rid me of myself
I belong to You
Lead me, lead me to the cross
To your heart
To your heart
Lead me to your heart
Lead me to your heart
Lead me to the cross
Where Your love poured out
Bring me to my knees
Lord I lay me down
Rid me of myself
I belong to You
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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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