

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

May 7, 2017, 10:30 AM

Pastor: Rev. Dave Poolman

Ministers: Every Member

GATHERING TO PRAISE GOD

*Gathering Song: "Days of Elijah"

(*Please stand if you are able.)

These are the days of Elijah,
Declaring the word of the Lord;
And these are the days of Your servant,
Moses, righteousness being restored;
And these are days of great trials,
Of famine and darkness and sword;
Still, we are the voice in the desert crying,
'Prepare ye the way of the Lord!'

Chorus:

Behold He comes riding on the clouds,
Shining like the sun at the trumpet call;
Lift your voice, it's the year of Jubilee,
And out of Zion's hill salvation comes.

These are the days of Ezekiel,
The dry bones becoming as flesh;
And these are the days of Your servant,
David, rebuilding a temple of praise.
And these are the days of the harvest,
The fields are as white in Your world,
And we are the laborers in Your vineyard,
Declaring the word of the Lord! (Chorus)

There is no God like Jehovah....
(repeat several times, then back to chorus)

*God Greets Us - We Greet Each Other

*Call to Worship:

Jesus Christ, You come to transfigure us
and renew us in the image of God:

shine in our darkness.

Jesus Christ, light of our hearts, You know our thirst:

lead us to the wellspring of Your gospel.

Jesus Christ, light of the world, You shine in every human being:

enable us to discern Your presence in each person.

Jesus Christ, friend of the poor:

open in us the gates of simplicity so that we can welcome You.

Jesus Christ, gentle and humble of heart:

renew in us the spirit of childhood.

Jesus Christ, You send your church to prepare Your path in the world:

open for all people the gates of Your kingdom. Amen.

*Songs of Commitment: "10,000 Reasons"

Verse 1

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies
before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

Verse 3

And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come;
Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.

Verse 2

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger,
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness, I will keep on
singing;
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

Chorus

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
O my soul; Worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul;
I'll worship Your holy name.

"All the People Said Amen"
"Show Me Your Ways"

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HUMBLING OURSELVES IN CONFESSION RECEIVING JOY IN GOD'S PARDON

Prayer of Confession:

**Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against You
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved You
with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In Your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in Your will
and walk in Your ways,
to the glory of Your holy name.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Songs of Confession: "Purify My Heart"
Purify my heart, touch me with Your cleansing fire.
Take me to the cross; Your holiness is my desire.
Breathe Your life in me, Kindle a love that flows from Your throne.
Oh, purify my heart. Purify my heart.

Words of Assurance (from Ezekiel 36:25-26):

I will sprinkle clean water upon you,
and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses,
and from all your idols I will cleanse you.
Anew heart I will give you,
and a new spirit I will put within you;
and I will remove from your body the heart of stone
and give you a heart of flesh.

Offering Our Gifts: Avery Street General Fund "Build Your Kingdom Here"

HEARING AND RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Understanding Elder Ed VanderLeest

Children's Message Brendan Flynn
(Children ages 4 through 2nd grade are dismissed out the side door to Children's Worship in Room A)

Scripture: Romans 8:28 Small Print Page 1119, Large Print Page 1757
Mark 4:26-29 Small Print Page 994, Large Print Page 1558

MESSAGE: "Who's In Charge Here? (II): Growing Up"

*Song of Response: "Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God" Insert

Praying Together

GOING TO SERVE AS JESUS' OBEDIENT DISCIPLES

*God's Blessing of Grace and Peace

*Parting Song: "Awesome God" Burgundy 179

CCLI #526095 Accompanist: Praise Team

Avery Street Christian Reformed Church



*And we know
that in
all things
God works
for the good
of those who
love Him,
who have
been called
according
to his purpose.
Romans 8:28*

Obedient Disciples of Jesus Making Obedient Disciples of Jesus

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"All The People Said Amen"

Verse 1

You are not alone if you are lonely.
When you feel afraid, you're not the only.
We are all the same, in need of mercy,
To be forgiven and be free.
It's all you got to lean on,
But thank God, it's all you need.

Chorus

And all the people said, "Amen." Whoa
And all the people said, "Amen."
Give thanks to the Lord, for His love never ends.
And all the people said, "Amen."

Verse 2

If you're rich or poor, well, it don't matter.
Weak or strong, you know love is what we're after.
We're all broken, but we're all in this together.
God knows we stumble and fall,
And He so loved the world,
He sent His son to save us all.

Bridge

Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart.
Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart.
Blessed are the people hungry for another start,
For theirs is the kingdom the kingdom of God.

"Show Me Your Ways"

Show me Your ways, that I may walk with You;
Show me Your ways, I put my hope in You.
The cry of my heart is to love You more,
To live with the touch of Your hand,
Stronger each day, show me Your ways.

"Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God"

Verse 1

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God,
Breathe new life into my willing soul.
Let the presence of the risen Lord
To renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause Your word to come alive in me;
Give me faith for what I cannot see,
Give me passion for Your purity;
Holy Spirit breathe new life in me.

Verse 2

Holy Spirit come abide within,
May Your joy be seen in all I do.
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin,
In each thought and deed and attitude.
Kindness to the greatest and the least,
Gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my striving into works of grace;
Breath of God show Christ in all I do.

Verse 3

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,
Giving life to all that God has made,
Show Your power once again on earth,
Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways.
Let the fragrance of our pray'rs arise;
Lead us on the road of sacrifice,
That in unity the face of Christ
Will be clear for all the world to see.