Welcome

*God's Greeting

The Belgic Confession, Article 13 We believe that this good God, after creating all things, did not abandon them to chance or fortune but leads and governs them according to his holy will, in such a way that nothing happens in this world without God's orderly arrangement. This doctrine gives us unspeakable comfort since it teaches us that nothing can happen to us by chance but only by the arrangement of our gracious heavenly Father, who watches over us with fatherly care, sustaining all creatures under his lordship, so that not one of the hairs on our heads (for they are all numbered) nor even a little bird can fall to the ground without the will of our Father. In this thought we rest, knowing that God holds in check the devils and all our enemies, who cannot hurt us without divine permission and will.

*Songs: "Christ, Our Hope in Life and Death"

1 What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to Him belong
Who holds our days within His hand?
What comes apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ in which we stand

Chorus

O sing hallelujah
Our hope springs eternal
O sing hallelujah
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death
2 What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good
Where is His grace and goodness known?

In our great Redeemer's blood Who holds our faith when fears arise? Who stands above the stormy trial? Who sends the waves that bring us nigh unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

3 Unto the grave what will we sing? Christ He lives, Christ He lives And what reward will heaven bring? Everlasting life with Him There we will rise to meet the Lord Then sin and death will be destroyed and we will feast in endless joy when Christ is ours forevermore

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"He Will Hold Me Fast"

1 When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast

Chorus

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast

2 Those He saves are His delight; Christ will hold me fast Precious in His holy sight; He will hold me fast He'll not let my soul be lost, His promises shall last Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast

3 For my life He bled and died; Christ will hold me fast Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast Raised with Him to endless life; He will hold me fast 'til our faith is turned to sight when He comes at last Ada Ruth Habershon | Matthew Merker © 2013 Getty Music Publishing/Matthew Merker Music CCLI License # 288395

"Amazing Grace"

- 1 Amazing grace; how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see
- 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed
- 3 The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures; He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.
- 4 Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come 'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far and grace will lead me home

5 When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun John Newton Public Domain

Children's Message

Time for Prayer

Bible Reading: Luke 15:1-7

Sermon: "A Restorative Community"

Prayer

*Song: "Reckless Love" audacious, extravagant and unexpected, regardless of the cost. Unconditional love might indeed seem "reckless" and unfair to those who believe they deserve their salvation.

1 Before I spoke a word, You were singing over me You have been so, so good to me Before I took a breath, You breathed Your life in me You have been so, so kind to me

Chorus

O the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God O it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the ninety-nine I couldn't earn it, I don't deserve it; still You give Yourself away O the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God yeah

2 When I was Your foe, still Your love fought for me You have been so, so good to me When I felt no worth, You paid it all for me You have been so, so kind to me

Bridge

There's no shadow You won't light up, mountain You won't climb up coming after me There's no wall You won't kick down, lie You won't tear down coming after me Caleb Culver | Cory Asbury | Ran Jackson © 2017 Cory Asbury Publishing/Richmond Park Publishing/Watershed Worship Publishing/Bethel Music Publishing CCLI License # 288395

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