Sunday, January 8, 2023, 9:30am

*God's Greeting

*Call to Worship: based on Exodus 20:1-2

One: When Moses gathered the people of Israel, God said,

"I am the Lord your God,

who brought you out of the land of Egypt,

out of the house of slavery."

All: As we gather here today,

let us worship the Lord who continues to be our God and who still brings us out of the places of our bondage.

One: Let us turn our hearts to God—

Father, Son and Holy Spirit—

who has been and continues to be with us and for us.

All: Let us sing and wonder! Let us sing of God's great love!

*Songs: "Rescuer"

Chorus

He's our Rescuer, He's our Rescuer We are free from sin forevermore Oh, how sweet the sound; oh, how grace abounds We will praise the Lord, our Rescuer

1 There is good news for the captive, good news for the shamed There is good news for the one who walked away There is good news for the doubter, the one religion failed for the good Lord has come to seek and save

2 He is beauty for the blind man, riches for the poor He is friendship for the one the world ignores He is pasture for the weary, rest for those who strive Oh, the good Lord is the way, the truth, the life Yes, the good Lord is the way, the truth, the life

Bridge

So come and be chainless, come and be fearless
Come to the foot of Calvary
There is redemption for every affliction
here at the foot of Calvary
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"God So Loved"

1 Come, all you weary, come, all you thirsty Come to the well that never runs dry Drink of the water, come and thirst no more

2 Come, all you sinners, come find His mercy Come to the table, He will satisfy Taste of His goodness, find what you're looking for

Chorus 1

For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us Whoever believes in Him will live forever

3 Bring all your failures, bring your addictions Come lay them down at the foot of the cross Jesus is waiting there with open arms

Chorus 2

For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us Whoever believes in Him will live forever The power of hell forever defeated Now it is well, we're walking in freedom For God so loved God, so loved the world

Bridge

Praise God, praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him, praise Him for the wonders of His love

4 Bring all your failures, bring your addictions
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting; God so loved the world
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Time of Confession

Gracious God, You have given us the law of Moses and the life of Jesus Christ as a guide to living in Your way.

You have taught us by Your Word and example

how to love You and to love others as ourselves.

Yet, O God, we confess that we often succumb to the lure

of the very sins You have warned us against.

No matter how righteous we imagine ourselves to be, Lord,

Your perfect word reveals our imperfections all too clearly.

No matter how hard we strive to fulfill the requirements of Your law, we always fall short.

Thank You that we no longer live in condemnation under the law,

because You have perfected us by the blood of Your Son, Jesus.

Teach us now to see Your law as a guide to living in righteousness and faith.

Only by Your Spirit can we turn away from the ways of death and return to Your light, love and life.

We need You, Lord. Hear our prayer.

Song of Confession: "Lord, I Need You"

1 Lord, I come, I confess,
bowing here I find my rest
and without You I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart

Chorus 1

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You Every hour I need You My one defense, my righteousness Oh, God how I need You 2 Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more Where grace is found is where You are and where You are, Lord, I am free Holiness is Christ in me

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So teach my song to rise to You when temptation comes my way and when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You Jesus, You're my hope and stay Christy Nockels | Daniel Carson | Jesse Reeves | Kristian Stanfill | Matt Maher © 2011 sixsteps Music/Sweater Weather Music/Thankyou Music/Valley Of Songs Music/worshiptogether.com songs CCLI License # 288395

Assurance of Forgiveness: from Titus 3:4-7

But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of His mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.

We celebrate the great gift of grace that Christ has given us. As part of our worship, we bring our offerings to the Lord at this time.

Offering

Song during the offering: "Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery"

1 Come, behold the wondrous mystery in the dawning of the King
He the theme of heaven's praises, robed in frail humanity
In our longing, in our darkness now the light of life has come
Look to Christ who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us

2 Come, behold the wondrous mystery, He the perfect Son of Man In His living, in His suffering, never trace nor stain of sin See the true and better Adam come to save humanity Christ, the great and sure fulfillment; from the law we are set free

3 Come, behold the wondrous mystery, Christ the Lord upon the tree In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold bringing many unto glory; grace unmeasured, love untold

4 Come, behold the wondrous mystery, slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain Him—praise the Lord, He is alive
What a foretaste of deliverance, how unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected as we will be when He comes
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Time for Prayer

Bible Reading: Exodus 19:1-8, 16-19; 20:1-17

Sermon: "Liberated for Life"

Prayer

*Song: "Cornerstone"

1 My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame but wholly trust in Jesus' Name

Chorus
Christ alone, cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Savior's love
Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of all

2 When darkness seems to hide His face, I rest on His unchanging grace In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil My anchor holds within the veil

3 When He shall come with trumpet sound, oh, may I then in Him be found Dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless stand before the throne Edward Mote | Eric Liljero | Jonas Myrin | Reuben Morgan | William Batchelder Bradbury © 2011 Hillsong MP Songs/Hillsong Music Publishing Australia/Hillsong Music Publishing UK CCLI License # 288395

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