

Sunday, June 22, 2025, 9:30 am

Call to Worship – *Psalm 42:1-5 (Gloriana)*

¹ As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, my God.

² My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and meet with God?

³ My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me all day long, “Where is your God?”

⁴ These things I remember as I pour out my soul: how I used to go to the house of God under the protection of the Mighty One with shouts of joy and praise among the festive throng.

⁵ Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me?

Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God.

*God’s Greeting (Henry)

*Mutual Greeting (Henry)

| **Psalm 43:1-5 (Emmaus)*

Covenant Church, as we get ready to sing praises to our God, listen to our Psalm reading for today from Psalm 43:

¹ Vindicate me, my God, and plead my cause against an unfaithful nation.

Rescue me from those who are deceitful and wicked.

² You are God my stronghold. Why have you rejected me? Why must I go about mourning, oppressed by the enemy?

³ Send me your light and your faithful care, let them lead me;
let them bring me to your holy mountain, to the place where you dwell.

⁴ Then I will go to the altar of God, to God, my joy and my delight.

I will praise you with the lyre, O God, my God.

⁵ Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me?

Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God.

This is the word of the Lord.

***“Mighty To Save”**

Verse 1

Ev’ryone needs compassion

Love that’s never failing

Let mercy fall on me

Ev’ryone needs forgiveness

The kindness of a Saviour

The hope of nations

Chorus

Saviour 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

Verse 2

So take me as You find me
All my fears and failures
Fill my life again
I give my life to follow
Ev'rything I believe in
Now I surrender

Bridge
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
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***“Be Still, My Soul”**

1 Be still, my soul! the Lord is on thy side;
bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.
Leave to thy God to order and provide;
in every change He faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul! thy best, thy heavenly Friend
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

2 Be still, my soul! thy God doth undertake
to guide the future as He has the past.
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul! the waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below.

3 Be still, my soul! the hour is hastening on
when we shall be forever with the Lord,
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul! when change and tears are past,
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

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***Luke 8:26-39 ([Lisa](#))**

Our Gospel reading for today is from Luke 8:26-39.

²⁶ They sailed to the region of the Gerasenes (*pronounced: ger-a-senes*), which is across the lake from Galilee. ²⁷ When Jesus stepped ashore, he was met by a demon-possessed man from the town. For a long time this man had not worn clothes or lived in a house, but had lived in the tombs. ²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell at his feet, shouting at the top of his voice, “What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, don’t torture me!” ²⁹ For Jesus had commanded the impure spirit to come out of the man. Many times it had seized him, and though he was chained hand and foot and kept under guard, he had broken his chains and had been driven by the demon into solitary places.

³⁰ Jesus asked him, "What is your name?"

"Legion," he replied, because many demons had gone into him. ³¹ And they begged Jesus repeatedly not to order them to go into the Abyss.

³² A large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside. The demons begged Jesus to let them go into the pigs, and he gave them permission. ³³ When the demons came out of the man, they went into the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

³⁴ When those tending the pigs saw what had happened, they ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, ³⁵ and the people went out to see what had happened. When they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone out, sitting at Jesus' feet, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. ³⁶ Those who had seen it told the people how the demon-possessed man had been cured. ³⁷ Then all the people of the region of the Gerasenes (*pronounced: ger-a-senes*) asked Jesus to leave them, because they were overcome with fear. So he got into the boat and left.

³⁸ The man from whom the demons had gone out begged to go with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹ "Return home and tell how much God has done for you." So the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus had done for him.

This is the Word of the Lord.

***"Same Power"**

1 I can see the waters raging at my feet.
I can feel the breath of those surrounding me.
I can hear the sound of nations rising up.
We will not be overtaken; we will not be overcome.

2 I can walk down this dark and painful road.
I can face ev'ry fear of the unknown.
I can hear all God's children singing out:
we will not be overtaken; we will not be overcome.

Chorus

The same power that rose Jesus from the grave,
the same power that commands the dead to wake
lives in us, lives in us!
The same power that moves mountains when He speaks,
the same power that can calm a raging sea
lives in us, lives in us!
He lives in us, lives in us!

3 We have hope that His promises are true.
In His strength, there is nothing we can't do.
Yes, we know there are greater things in store.
We will not be overtaken; we will not be overcome.

Bridge

Greater is He that is living in me!
He's conquered our enemy.
No power of darkness, no weapon prevails;
we stand here in victory, oh!
(REPEAT)

In victory! Yeah!

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Missionary Report – David and Jill Martin / Mission to the World

Offering: Ministry Fund (Henry)

Song during offering: **“Hope of the Nations”**

Verse

Jesus, hope of the nations
Jesus, comfort for all who mourn
You are the source of heaven's hope on earth
Jesus, light in the darkness
Jesus, truth in each circumstance
You are the source of heaven's light on earth

Pre-Chorus

In history You lived and died
You broke the chains, You rose to life

Chorus

You are the hope living in us
You are the Rock in whom we trust
You are the light shining for all the world to see
You rose from the dead, conquering fear
Our Prince of Peace, drawing us near
Jesus, our hope, living for all who will receive
Lord, we believe

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Time for Prayer (Matt DeVries)

Bible Reading: Galatians 3:26-29 (Henry)

Our NT reading for today is Galatians 3:26-29.

Sermon: We Are ALL Children of God

Prayer (Henry)

(reading – Henry) (Melanie please include on a slide) (Amy, not the bulletin though)

2 Corinthians 5:14-19

¹⁴For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. ¹⁵And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.

¹⁶So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come:^[a] The old has gone, the new is here! ¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

***"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

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

Chorus

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

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

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***God's Blessing (Henry)**

***"Children of God"**

1 Praise to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
Our God and our King, to Him we will sing
In His great mercy, He has given us life
Now we can be called the children of God

Pre-Chorus

Great is the love that the Father has given us
He has delivered us, He has delivered us

Chorus

Children of God, sing your song and rejoice
for the love that He has given us all
Oh, children of God, by the blood of His Son
we have been redeemed and we can be called
children of God, children of God

2 The mystery is revealed to the universe
The Father above has proven His love
Now we are free from the judgment that we deserve
so we are called the children of God

Bridge

We are the saints, we are the children
We've been redeemed, we've been forgiven
We are the sons and daughters of our God
(repeat)

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