

CHRIST FELLOWSHIP

Liturgy for Sunday, May 24, 2020

Welcome (Bart Box)

Call to Worship

Psalm 86:8-13 – [8] *There is none like you among the gods, O Lord,
nor are there any works like yours.*

[9] *All the nations you have made shall come
and worship before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name.*

[10] *For you are great and do wondrous things;
you alone are God.*

[11] *Teach me your way, O LORD,
that I may walk in your truth;
unite my heart to fear your name.*

[12] *I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
and I will glorify your name forever.*

[13] *For great is your steadfast love toward me;
you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.*

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

Songs

1) "How Great Thou Art"

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout the universe displayed

*Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee*



How great Thou art, how great Thou art

And when I think that God His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin

*Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art*

When Christ shall come with shouts of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim, My God how great Thou art

*Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art*

2) "Christ Is Mine Forevermore"

Mine are days that God has numbered
I was made to walk with Him
Yet I look for worldly treasure
And forsake the King of kings
But mine is hope in my Redeemer
Though I fall, his love is sure
For Christ has paid for every failing
I am His forevermore

Mine are tears in times of sorrow
Darkness not yet understood
Through the valley I must travel
Where I see no earthly good
But mine is peace that flows from heaven
And the strength in times of need
I know my pain will not be wasted
Christ completes his work in me



Mine are days here as a stranger
Pilgrim on a narrow way
One with Christ I will encounter
Harm and hatred for his name
But mine is armour for this battle
Strong enough to last the war
And he has said he will deliver
Safely to the golden shore

And mine are keys to Zion city
Where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure
Christ is mine forevermore

*Come rejoice now, O my soul
For his love is my reward
Fear is gone and hope is sure
Christ is mine forevermore!*

And mine are keys to Zion city
Where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure
Christ is mine forevermore
Christ is mine forevermore
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Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon (Ryan Adams)

John 12:42-43 – [42] Nevertheless, many even of the authorities believed in him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did not confess it, so that they would not be put out of the synagogue; [43] for they loved the glory that comes from man more than the glory that comes from God.

Psalm 115:1 – [1] Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!

Songs

3) “He Will Hold Me Fast”

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.

*He will hold me fast,
He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so,
He will hold me fast.*

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.

*He will hold me fast,
He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so,
He will hold me fast.*

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
'Till our faith is turned to sight,
When He comes at last!

*He will hold me fast,
He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so,
He will hold me fast.*



4) "All I Have Is Christ"

I once was lost in darkest night
Yet thought I knew the way
The sin that promised joy and life
Had led me to the grave
I had no hope that You would own
A rebel to Your will
And if You had not loved me first
I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race
Indifferent to the cost
You looked upon my helpless state
And led me to the cross
And I beheld God's love displayed
You suffered in my place
You bore the wrath reserved for me
Now all I know is grace

*Hallelujah! All I have is Christ
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life*

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone
And live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands
Could never come from me
Oh Father, use my ransomed life
In any way You choose
And let my song forever be
My only boast is You

*Hallelujah! All I have is Christ
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life*

Prayer of Illumination



Acts of the Risen Lord: The Master Builder

Acts 14:1-28

Main Point: Where Christ is building His Church, His workers are depending on His power.

Hebrews 11:6 – [6] *And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.*

1. Depending on His power to persuade (vv.1-2)

John 3:19-20 – [19] *And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. [20] For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed.*

2. Depending on His power to persevere (vv.3-7)

3. Depending on His power to prostrate and point (vv.8-18)

4. Depending on His power to provide (vv.19-23)

1 Peter 1:6-7 – [6] *In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, [7] so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.*

James 1:2-3 – [2] *Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, [3] for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness.*

5. Depending on His power to praise (vv.24-28)

2 Corinthians 11:30 – [30] *If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness.*

2 Corinthians 12:9 – [9] *But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.*



Song

5) "In Christ Alone"

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My comforter, my all in all
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
'Til He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand



Offering

2 Corinthians 8:9 – [9] *For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.*

2 Corinthians 9:7-8 – [7] *Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. [8] And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.*

Prayer of Intercession (Nick Murray)

For Our Church – That God would supernaturally endow our entire congregation in the coming weeks with unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, tender hearts, and humble minds (1 Peter 3:8), and that we would depend on the power of Christ as he builds his church among and beyond us.

For Our City – For Hunter Street Baptist Church, pastor Buddy Gray, their elders, staff, and congregation.

For Our Nation – For upcoming presidential election, that God would supply the best individual to lead our country during these times, that God would prevent the further fracturing of our country along political lines by granting unexpected unity, and that Christians would lead the way in modeling that our trust is not in any human leader or political party but in the Lord Jesus alone.

For Our World – For the nation of India as it seeks to respond to the devastation caused by the cyclone that hit this week on top of their response to the coronavirus pandemic, that God would meet the needs of the poor and hurting, and that ultimately these horrible situations would lead people to eternal hope in Jesus Christ.

**“Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**



For yours is the kingdom
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.”

Benediction

*2 Peter 3:18 – [18] Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.*

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

