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June 30, 2019  
*Trinity Season*



## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*Please prepare your heart for worship and silence your mobile devices.*

"If I had a thousand tongues, I would praise Christ with them all." So said Peter Bohler to Charles Wesley, inspiring the first line of our Hymn of Praise, "Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing". One of the 6,000 hymns written by Charles Wesley, this hymn was particularly special for Wesley as it commemorated the first anniversary of his conversion.

When Charles Wesley was converted he had been ill in bed for some time, and the fear of death had often come into his mind. On Sunday, May 21, 1738, his brother and some friends came in and sang a hymn. After they went out, he prayed alone and journaled for some time. Below is an excerpt of that journal entry found in "One hundred and One Hymn Stories" by Carl Price:

"I was composing myself to sleep in quietness and peace when I heard one come in and say, In the name of Jesus of Nazareth, arise, and believe, and thou shalt be healed of all thine infirmities. The words struck me to the heart. I lay musing and trembling. With a strange palpitation of heart, I said, yet feared to say, I believe, I believe ! "

These memories are weaved throughout the hymn, particularly in verse three, to declare Christ's power and victory in his own life. This hymn has since become one of our favorite hymns of praise as well. As we reflect on the power and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, let us lift our voices as one church to glorify the One who "bids our sorrows cease."

## LIFT UP YOUR VOICE

ORGAN PRELUDE: "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" . . . . . Anna Laura Page  
*Jill Peak, organ*

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE: "Allegro con brio" from *Sonata*. . . . . Johann Hummel  
*Emily Edwards, flute; Samuel Metzger, piano*

CALL TO WORSHIP . . . . . Jon McGuirt

♣HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 164 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" . . . . . AZMON  
*Words: Charles Wesley / Music: Carl Gläser; arr. Metzger / Acts 3:8*

♣INVOCATION (*Please lift hands*)

♣STATEMENT OF FAITH: Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 16 . . . . . Amanda Coop (8:15)  
Brandon Morrison (11:00)

Did all mankind fall in Adam's first disobedience?

**Since the covenant was made not only for Adam  
but also for his natural descendants,  
all mankind sinned in him and fell with him  
in his first disobedience.**

*This catechism will be the topic of the sermon this evening.*

♣CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: "God, Be Merciful to Me" . . . . . REDHEAD 76  
*Music: Richard Redhead / Psalm 51:1*

**God, be merciful to me, on Thy grace I rest my plea;  
Plenteous in compassion Thou, blot out my transgressions now;  
Wash me, make me pure within, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.**

# PURIFY YOUR HEART

## CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of everlasting love,  
we confess that we have been unfaithful  
to our covenant with You and with one another.  
We have worshipped counterfeit gods  
and have sought salvation from pseudo saviors.  
We have served our own self-interest  
instead of serving You and Your people.  
We have not loved our neighbors as You have commanded  
nor have we rightly loved ourselves.  
Have mercy on us, most merciful Father!  
Pardon all our sins,  
known and unknown, felt and unfelt, remembered or forgotten.  
Send Your purifying grace into our hearts,  
that we may live in Your light  
and walk according to the commandments of Jesus Christ,  
our Savior and King.**

## INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON. . . . . Ephesians 2:8-9

*For by grace you have been saved through faith.  
And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,  
not a result of works, so that no one may boast.*

## WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE GIFTS OF GOD

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Fairest Lord Jesus" . . . . . Calvin Ellis

*Music: Münster Gesangbuch / Music: Schlesische Volkslieder; arr. Ellis / Psalm 45:2*

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O Thou of God and man the Son;  
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou, my soul's glory, joy and crown.  
Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.  
Fair is the sunshine, Fairer still the moonlight, and all the twinkling starry host;  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels heav'n can boast.  
Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man!  
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

*Women's Choir  
Christy Young, director*

✦DOXOLOGY . . . . . OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

✦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING. . . . . Dan Burns

✦GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)

# CONSECRATE YOUR LIFE

✦PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (*please stand*)

**Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:  
For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

✦HYMN OF PREPARATION:

No. 500 "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" . . . . . NEW CITY FELLOWSHIP

*Words: Augustus Toplady / Music: James Ward / I Corinthians 10:4*

SCRIPTURE LESSON . . . . . Exodus 5:1-9  
*(page 48 in the pew Bible)*

The grass withers, the flower fades,

**but the Word of our God will stand forever.** (*Isaiah 40:8*)

SERMON      *If God Is Good, Why Did My Life Get Harder?*      George Robertson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦HYMN OF COMMITMENT: No. 585 "Take My Life, and Let It Be" . . . . . HENDON

*Words: Frances Havergal / Music: Henri César Malan; arr. Metzger / Romans 6:19*

✦BENEDICTION (*please raise hands*)

✦CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Now Thank We All Our God" . . . . . Sigfrid Karg-Elert

✦*Indicates congregation standing*

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**I. Speak the Truth** (*Exodus 5:1-3*)

**II. Prove the Truth** (*Exodus 5:4-9*)