



Wandering
Heart ^{of}
"Songs of
loudest praise"

Courage

We summon every ounce of courage.
We give ourselves pep talks
and we call our friends.
We dig deep within.
We practice the words out loud,
rolling them around in our mouths,
imagining the response.
We deal out every “what if” card our brain holds on to
and spend absurd amounts of time
imagining all the ways it could go wrong.
And then finally, blessedly, we say it:
I love you.
To speak the truth of your heart takes courage.
It always has.
But please,
summon your courage,
join the parade,
and speak with conviction.
For God has been saying to the world since day one:
I love you.
What is your response?

—Rev. Sarah Speed

*With Christ as the Cornerstone, we will build a church of living stones,
where every member is a minister and is equipped to express God's love
by word and deed to all people.*

Based on 1 Peter 2:5, 6

The Worship of God

Palm Sunday

March 24, 2024

Gathering Music

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN;
Words by Theodulph of Orleans trans.
John Mason Neale (alt.), Music by Melchior Teschner
arr. William Henry Monk

“When in Our Music God Is Glorified”

ENGELBERG; Words by
Fred Pratt Green, Music by Charles Villiers Stanford

“Hosanna! Hosanna!”

Words and Music by
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“Wandering Hearts”

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Prelude

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

Cynthia Griesedieck

arr. Cindy Berry

Welcome

Christian Mclvor

✠ Processional Hymn 297

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

**“Hosanna, loud hosanna,” the little children sang;
Thro’ pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang;
To Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to His breast,
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.**

**From Olivet they followed ‘mid an exultant crowd,
The victor palm branch waving and chanting clear and loud;
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,
Nor scorned that little children should on His bidding wait.**

**“Hosanna in the highest!” That ancient song we sing,
For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of Heav’n, our King;
O may we ever praise Him with heart and life and voice,
And in His blissful presence eternally rejoice!**

✠ *Please rise in body or spirit.*

† Call to Worship

Anna Beth Cross

One: Sing songs of loudest praise!

All: Hosanna!

One: Sing songs that are unashamed.

All: Hosanna!

One: Sing songs without being afraid.

All: Hosanna!

One: Sing for the God of tomorrow and today.

All: Hosanna!

One: Let us worship the One worthy to be praised.

Children's Sermon

April Alston

Family Dedication

The Bennett Family

† Centering Song

“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

FETTER;

Words by Robert Robinson (alt.),
Music by Christian McIvor

**Come, Thou Fount of every blessing
Tune my heart to sing Thy Grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of God's unchanging love!**

Call to Confession

Steve Rose

Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, we want to run into the streets and sing your praise!
We want to be bold and unashamed of this good-news Gospel.
However, too often we find ourselves standing against the wall.
Too often we stay quiet.
Too often we let others carry the song.
Forgive us for the moments when we could lead the parade
but instead find ourselves standing on the sidelines.**

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**Show us which songs are ours to sing.
Show us which parades are ours to lead,
and then give us the courage and conviction to do both.
With hope and honesty we pray, amen.**

Words of Forgiveness

Offertory Anthem

**“Everlasting Song of Praise”
GBC Choir**

by Pepper Choplin

Come, together come embrace the song of everlasting worship.
Sing with living breath to join the everlasting song of praise.
Sing eternal songs, forever sung by saints who came before us.
Here, our day is here to sing the everlasting song of praise.
Come and bring the young and teach the generation who will follow.
Inspire a strong desire to sing the everlasting song of praise.
Rejoice and lift your voice to join the great eternal celebration.
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Come, together come embrace the song of everlasting worship.
Sing with living breath to join the everlasting song of praise,
The everlasting song of praise.
The everlasting song...
A song of praise.

† Lenten Doxology

**Praise God throughout these forty days.
Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise.
And praise the Spirit who imparts
God's love in Christ into our hearts.**

LAMB OF GOD;
Words by G. W. Dub Shepherd,
Music by Twila Paris

Prayer of Dedication

Keith Vaughn

Scripture Reading

John 12:12-16

Bob Millikan

Sermon

“Songs of Loudest Praise”

Chrissy Tatum Williamson

Communion

Chrissy Tatum Williamson and Christian McIvor

† Hymn of Response

“My Life Flows On”

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING;
Words and Music by Robert Lowry

Stanza 1:

My life flows on in endless song,
above earth's lamentation.
I hear the clear, though far-off hymn
that hails a new creation.

Refrain:

No storm can shake my inmost calm
while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,
how can I keep from singing?

Stanza 2:

Through all the tumult and the strife,
I hear that music ringing.
It finds an echo in my soul.
How can I keep from singing? (Refrain)

Stanza 3:

What though my joys and comforts die?
I know my Savior liveth.
What though the darkness gather round?
Songs in the night he giveth. (Refrain)

Stanza 4:

The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,
a fountain ever springing!
All things are mine since I am his!
How can I keep from singing? (Refrain)

Celebrating Community

Anna Beth Cross

Benediction

Chrissy Tatum Williamson

Postlude

“Postlude on ‘Ellacombe’”

Pam Weis

arr. Jason D. Payne

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Miles Michael Bennett Remington Rose Bennett

*Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another,
as God in Christ forgave you.*

- Ephesians 4:32

We welcome to Greystone this morning Miles and Remi, son and daughter of Andy and Lauren Bennett. Through this dedication, the family pledges to raise Miles and Remi in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and Greystone pledges our support in their efforts so that when Miles and Remi reach an appropriate age they may choose for themselves to follow Jesus Christ as Lord.



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