

Seek the Lost · Build up the Found · Transform the City
Through Jesus Christ
JANUARY 21, 2018

How Great Is Your Faithfulness

The heavens ring
The saints all sing
Great is Your faithfulness
From age to age we will proclaim
Great is Your faithfulness
(How great is Your faithfulness)

1 Now unto the King who reigns over all
And never changes or turns
Unfailing justice unfading grace
Whose promises remain
Yes Your promises remain

2 Ev'rything changes but You stay the same
Your Word and kingdom endure
We lean on the promise of all that You are
And trust forevermore
We will trust forevermore

From generation to generation
You never failed us O God
Yesterday and today and tomorrow
Until the day You return

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THE ACCLAMATION & OPENING PRAYER

Leader: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

All: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Great Are You Lord

You give life, You are love
You bring light to the darkness
You give hope, You restore
ev'ry heart that is broken
And great are You Lord

*It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise
We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only*

And all the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry these bones will sing
Great are You Lord

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Man Of Sorrows

1 Man of sorrows Lamb of God
By His own betrayed
The sin of man and wrath of God
Has been on Jesus laid

2 Silent as He stood accused
Beaten mocked and scorned
Bowing to the Father's will
He took a crown of thorns

*Oh that rugged cross my salvation
Where Your love poured out over me
Now my soul cries out hallelujah
Praise and honor unto Thee*

3 Sent of heaven God's own Son
To purchase and redeem
And reconcile the very ones
Who nailed Him to that tree

Now my debt is paid
It is paid in full
By the precious blood
That my Jesus spilled
Now the curse of sin
Has no hold on me
Whom the Son sets free
Oh is free indeed

4 See the stone is rolled away
Behold the empty tomb
Hallelujah God be praised
He's risen from the grave

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CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL

People: May the Lord be with you.

Children: And also with you.

People: May the Word of the Lord grow in your hearts.

Children: Thanks be to God!

People: Go in the peace of the Lord.

At this time, children 4k-2nd grade are invited to go to Kids Time and children 3rd-5th grade are invited to go to Big Time. Kids Time is a dynamic worship service and Big Time is an age appropriate discussion time. Both cater to younger children and prepare them to participate in the main worship service. The children will return prior to Communion.

GOSPEL READING

Leader: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to You, Lord Christ.

Matthew 12:1-14

(p. 792)

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, Lord Christ.

MESSAGE

Sermon Series: The Seventh Day

When Mercy Meets Law

Rev. Patrick Dominguez

THE APOSTLES CREED (said together)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church*, the Communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

** The phrase "holy catholic Church" in the Creed means the Church worldwide.*

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Leader: Let us pray for the Church and the world: Almighty and ever-living God, we are taught by your holy Word to offer prayers and give thanks for all people. We humbly pray that you would receive our prayers. Inspire your Church with the spirit of truth and unity; and grant that all who confess your holy Name may agree in the truth of your holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Leader: Lord in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray that you will lead the nations of the world into the way of righteousness; and so guide and direct their leaders, that all people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace. Grant that our leaders may impartially administer justice, uphold integrity and truth, restrain evil, and promote freedom.

Leader: Lord in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Give grace, heavenly Father, to our archbishop Foley, our bishop Steve, and all ministers of the Gospel, that by their life and teaching, they may proclaim your true and life-giving Word, and rightly and duly administer your holy Sacraments. And to all your people give your heavenly grace, that with reverent and obedient hearts we may hear and receive your holy Word, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives.

Leader: Lord in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Prosper, we pray, all those who proclaim the Gospel of your kingdom among the nations, particularly for the ministry of Marion Dewar in her work with Cru; and help us to fulfill your great commission, making disciples of all nations and teaching them to obey all that you have commanded.

Leader: Lord in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We ask you in your goodness, Lord, to comfort and sustain all who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. We now invite your own petitions, silently or aloud.

Leader: Lord in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

*Leader: Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.***

Leader: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

CONFESSION OF SIN (said together)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

—The absolution of sin is to be pronounced by a priest who symbolically stands in the authority of God to forgive the sins of those who truly repent (Matt 16:19, John 20:23).

Leader: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you;

People: And also with you.

WELCOME & OFFERING

Rest

1 Oh my Lord
You are my Shepherd and I shall not want
Oh my Lord
Beside still waters You repair my heart
I trust in You oh I trust in You

*Even though I walk through the valley of death
You restore my soul and You give me rest
Oh the memories of Your faithfulness
You restore my soul and You give me rest
You restore my soul and You give me rest
You give me rest*

2 Oh my Lord
You've prepared a table for You and me
Oh my Lord
In the middle of a fire with my enemies
I trust in You oh I trust in You

I will fear no evil for You're here with me
Your goodness and Your love
They will never leave
Just a closer walk with Thee just a closer walk
Just a closer walk with Thee just a closer walk

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HOLY COMMUNION

*(All baptized and believing followers of our Lord Jesus Christ are invited to partake in Holy Communion regardless of denomination. It is our custom to use wine during communion. **If you prefer, you may receive grape juice** from the smaller chalices on the end of the serving lines. If it would not be authentic for you to receive Communion, you may remain in your seat and contemplate the prayers on the following page.)*

Leader: Is the Father with us?

People: He is.

Leader: Is Christ among us?

People: He is.

Leader: Is the Spirit here?

People: He is.

Leader: This is our God.

People: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Leader: We are His people.

People: We are redeemed.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

*Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord
our God.*

**People: It is right to give Him thanks and
praise.**

Leader continues in Eucharistic Prayer.

Leader: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

LORD'S PRAYER (said together)

**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 trespasses
As we forgive those
Who trespass against us
And lead us not into temptation
But deliver us from evil
For thine is the Kingdom
And the power and the glory
Forever and ever Amen**

*Unable to come forward? Please inform an usher to request that Communion be brought to you.
Gluten-free wafers available upon request.*

PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT TAKING HOLY COMMUNION

The Church of The Apostles welcomes all Christians who are willing to forsake their sin and trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, to receive Holy Communion with us by coming forward to one of the communion stations at the front. If you are not able to receive Communion, please use this time to meditate on one of the following prayers.

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth.

Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing and that leads to the life you promise.

Prayer of Belief.

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Please come into my life through the power of your Holy Spirit.

A prayer team is available to pray with you at the back of the worship area.

Jesus I Come

1 Out of my bondage sorrow and night
Jesus I come Jesus I come
Into Thy freedom gladness and light
Jesus I come to Thee
Out of my sickness into Thy health
Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth
Out of my sin and into thyself
Jesus I come to Thee

2 Out of my shameful failure and loss
Jesus I come Jesus I come
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross
Jesus I come to Thee
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm
Out of life's storms and into Thy calm
Out of distress into jubilant Psalm
Jesus I come to Thee

3 Out of unrest and arrogant pride
Jesus I come Jesus I come
Into Thy blessed will to abide
Jesus I come to Thee
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love
Out of despair into raptures above
Upward forever on wings like a dove
Jesus I come to Thee

4 Out of the fear and dread of the tomb
Jesus I come Jesus I come
Into the joy and light of Thy home
Jesus I come to Thee
Out of the depths of ruin untold
Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold
Ever Thy glorious face to behold
Jesus I come to Thee

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For All The Saints

1 For all the saints
Who from their labours rest
Who Thee by faith
Before the world confessed
Thy name O Jesu
Be for ever blest
Alleluia allelu

2 Thou wast their Rock
Their Fortress and their Might
Thou Lord their Captain
In the well fought fight
Thou in the darkness drear
Their one true Light
Alleluia allelu

3 O blest communion
Fellowship divine
We feebly struggle
They in glory shine
Yet all are one in Thee
For all are Thine
Alleluia allelu

4 From earth's wide bounds
From ocean's farthest coast
Through gates of pearl
Streams in the countless host
Singing to Father
Son and Holy Ghost
Alleluia allelu

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Here Is Love

1 Here is love, vast as the ocean
Loving kindness as the flood,
When the Prince of Life our Ransom shed for us
His precious blood
Who His love will not remember?
Who can cease to sing His praise?
He will never be forgotten
Throughout Heav'n's eternal days.

2 On the mount of crucifixion
Fountains opened deep and wide;
Through the floodgates of God's mercy
Flowed a vast and gracious tide.
Grace and love, like mighty rivers
Poured incessant from above,
Heaven's peace and perfect justice
Kissed a guilty world in love.

*Who His love will not remember?
Who can cease to sing His praise?
He will never be forgotten,
Throughout Heav'n's eternal days.*

No love is higher, No love is wider
No love is deeper, No love is truer

3 Let me all Thy love accepting
Love Thee, ever all my days;
Let me seek Thy kingdom only
And my life be to Thy praise;

Thou alone shalt be my glory,
Nothing in the world I see.
Thou hast cleansed and sanctified me
Thou Thyself hast set me free.

William Rees/Robert Lowry/Matt Redman

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (said together)

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

OPPORTUNITIES

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you, and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face towards you and give you peace; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

We Will Say In That Day (Isaiah 12)

You will see there a highway from God's own hand
That will lead back the lost to the Promised Land;
And the voice of the Savior will call us friends,
Saying, "Join in the song of the Lord!"

When the remnant return to the promised land;
When the highway of God brings us home to Him;
We'll be welcomed with love by our Savior friend;
And we'll join in the song of the Lord!

*We will say in that day, "To the Lord, give thanks!"
We will not be afraid, for He comes to save.
We will shout; we will call every tribe and race,
"Come and join in the song of the Lord!"*

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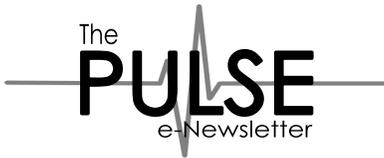
DISMISSAL

Leader: Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

WELCOME!

We are glad you are worshiping with us this morning. We want to get to know you! Yellow connection cards can be found under the seats in the sanctuary. Please fill one out and drop it in the offering basket.

Connect



We want to keep you connected to the life of Apostles! To be added to *The Pulse* contacts, fill out a yellow connection card and drop in the offering basket. You will receive our weekly e-newsletter and other important church-wide announcements.



Our online communication tool connects you to ministries and members of the Apostles community. For more info contact Marsha Whyte: marsha@apostles-raleigh.org

Community

Interested in connecting deeper into the community here at Apostles? Consider joining a Community Group! Various community groups meet throughout the week. Contact Lee for more information.

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The Deal + Small Groups (6th - 12th grades)

happen Sundays from 6-8pm during the school year. Contact Emily for more information.

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Serve

There are several way to connect and serve in the life of Apostles. Take a look at our Ministry Teams and find out how you can get involved. If there is an area or gifting that you have that you do not see listed, we want to know about it!

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Seek Prayer

The Apostles Prayer Ministry is a safe place to seek prayer for a variety of concerns.

You will find trained prayer teams and a prayer room at the back of the sanctuary.

Outreach

A great way to get involved is by connecting with one of our local Mission Partners:

- Beyond Imagination
- Camp Oak Hill
- Community HOPE of the Y
- CORRAL Riding Academy
- FOCUS Student Ministry
- Gateway
- Gideon International
- House of Hope
- Jobs for Life
- JusticeMatters
- Loaves and Fishes Ministry
- Neighbor To Neighbor
- NeighborHealth Center
- North Raleigh Ministries
- YoungLife {Raleigh}
- The Encouraging Place
- Women's Prison Ministry

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What's Happening at Apostles

Sunday School begin today at 10:00am, between worship services. There are classes available for nursery through adults. Children's classes meet in downstairs classrooms. Middle and Senior High classes meet upstairs in the youth rooms, and adult classes meet in the upstairs back classrooms {Rooms 201-205}.

This Week

Sunday, January 21

- Worship Services: 8:30am & 11am
- Sunday School: 10am
- The Deal: 6-8pm

Monday, January 22

- Muffins n' More: 10-11:30am
- Women in the Word: 7-8:45pm

Tuesday, January 23

- Tuesday at Noon: 12-1:15pm
- Tuesday Prayer & Praise:
1:30-2:30pm
- Community HOPE: 5:30-6:30pm

Wednesday, January 24

- Band of Brothers (M): 7-8am
(offsite)
- Sleepyheads (M): 7:15-8:15am
- Growing in Grace (W): 9:30-11am
- Community HOPE: 5:30-6:30pm

Thursday, January 25

- Blackwater Group (M): 7-8am
(offsite)
- Men's Fraternity (M): 6:45-8am

(M) ~ Men (W) ~ Women

Christmas Eve Offering Update

COTA Houston is blown away by our Christmas offering. Thank you so much! We are grateful to God and to you for your incredible generosity. Your gifts will go a long way. Two of the three families lost their homes and everything in them. Thank you again for demonstrating what the body of Christ should do and be.

David Cumbie, Senior Pastor
Church of the Apostles | Houston, TX

Student Ministry

- > **January 21** ~ The Deal: 6-8pm
10 Hour (Sunday School) resumes
- > **January 28** ~ The Deal: 6-8pm
- > **February 4** ~ NINE1NINE: Super Bowl Party!

High School Mountain Retreat in Boone, NC ~ March 9-11
Ask Paul or Emily how to sign up!

Children's Ministry

Lessons for January 21

- **Nursery:** John Baptizes Jesus {Matthew 3:13-17}
- **Kids Time:** Ask God What to Do {Joshua 9:1-27}
- **Big Time:** When Mercy Meets Law {Matthew 12:1-14}

2018 Women's Retreat

February 23-25, 2018
Wrightsville Beach, NC



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