

I can do all things through Christ,



who strengthens me.

Philippians 4:13

**The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 11, 2020
10:30 a.m.**

Living Praise

The altar flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God by
Dean and Shirley Hemmer in celebration of their 70th Wedding Anniversary.
God's continued blessings!

The flowers in front of the lectern today are given to the glory of God by
Helen and Bill Myers in memory of Helen's mother, **Alvine Oetjen**
(on what would have been her 100th birthday).

As We Gather

God has worked faith in our hearts to respond in joy to His gracious invitation. But our preoccupation with our personal agendas and the world's allure can turn our hearts away. Jesus couches that problem in a parable. Worse, we might think that we can enter heaven, the eternal banquet, on our terms, supposing we need not be clothed in Christ's righteousness alone. Yet God's preoccupation is to keep sending out His special invitation to one and all. What joy Paul leads us in as he writes the Epistle! Our current circumstances mean nothing compared to the eternal banquet to which we are invited by the overflowing grace of God.

Jesus Rock Of Ages by Christy and Nathan Nockels

**I'm not alone there's a stone I'm built on
There's a love that will never let me go
He hears my ev'ry cry
He knows how to understand me
He is my one defense day and night**

Chorus

**I rest my soul on the Rock of the ages oh
And my feet stand firm on a sure foundation oh
All my hope in this salvation oh
Jesus Jesus Rock of ages**

**Precious cornerstone the one for all generations
Laid that I would hide myself in You
Through ev'ry trial and storm
When all else is sinking
There is none so faithful and so true Chorus**

Bridge

**When my heart is faint my faith is small
Oh hide me Lord
And when all is well through it all
Oh hide me Lord (Repeat bridge) Chorus**

Welcome

Invocation

Opening Sentences

Psalms 9:2; 33:20–22; 122:1

Pastor: I was glad when they said to me,

People: "Let us go to the house of the LORD!"

Pastor: I will be glad and exult in You;

People: I will sing praise to Your name, O Most High.

Pastor: Our soul waits for the LORD;

People: He is our help and our shield.

Pastor: For our heart is glad in Him, because we trust in His holy name.

**People: Let Your steadfast love, O LORD,
be upon us, even as we hope in You.**

The King of Love by Jonathan Smith, Jason Ingram, Matthew Hein, Stephanie Kulla, and Adam Palmer

**The King of Love, my Shepherd is;
Whose goodness faileth never.
I nothing lack if I am His
And He is mine forever.
And He is mine forever.**

**Where streams of living water flow,
My ransomed soul He leadeth.
And where the fertile pastures grow
With food celestial feedeth.**

**Chorus:
Never failing Ruler of my heart.
Everlasting, Lover of my soul.
On the mountain high or in the valley low,
The King of Love, my Shepherd is.
The King of Love, my Shepherd is.**

**Lost and foolish oft I strayed
But yet in love, He sought me.
And on His shoulder, gently laid
And home rejoicing brought me.**

**In death's dark veil, I fear no ill
With Thee, dear Lord beside me.
Thy rod and staff, my comfort still,
Thy cross before to guide me. Chorus**

**Bridge: Oh, hallelujah, hallelujah.
Oh, hallelujah, hallelujah. Chorus**

**So through all the length of days,
Thy goodness faileth never.
Good Shepherd, may I sing your praise
Within Your house forever.
Within your house forever.**

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: Let us now make confession of our sins to God, our heavenly Father.
People: **O God our Father, we have sinned against You in thought,
word, and deed. We have transgressed Your law and have
brought injury to others. We have not always shown forth our
faith in every aspect of our lives. We sincerely repent of our
sins. Have mercy on us and hear this, our confession, O Lord.
Grant us Your grace and forgiveness in Jesus Christ. By the
renewing work of the Holy Spirit within us, lead us to amend
our sinful lives that each day we grow in righteousness and
godly living to the glory of Your holy name.**

Words of Forgiveness

Scars (I AM THEY) by Ethan Hulse, Jon McConnell, Matthew Armstrong, and Matthew Hein

**Waking up to a new sunrise
Looking back from the other side
I can see now with open eyes
Darkest water and deepest pain
I wouldn't trade it for anything
'Cause my brokenness brought me to You
And these wounds are a story You'll use**

Chorus 1

**(So) I'm thankful for the scars
'Cause without them I wouldn't know Your heart
And I know they'll always tell of who You are
So forever I am thankful for the scars**

**Now I'm standing in confidence
With the strength of Your faithfulness
And I'm not who I was before
No I don't have to fear anymore Chorus 1**

Bridge

**I can see I can see
How You delivered me
In Your hands In Your feet
I found my victory (Repeat**

Chorus 2

**I'm thankful for Your scars
'Cause without them I wouldn't know Your heart
And with my life I'll tell of who You are So forever I am thankful
I'm thankful for the scars
'Cause without them I wouldn't know Your heart
And I know they'll always tell of who You are
So forever I am thankful for the scars
So forever I am thankful for the scars**

Old Testament

Isaiah 25:6–9

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,
of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

⁷And he will swallow up on this mountain
the covering that is cast over all peoples,
the veil that is spread over all nations.

⁸He will swallow up death forever;
and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,
and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the
earth, for the LORD has spoken.

⁹It will be said on that day,

“Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might
save us.

This is the LORD; we have waited for him;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

Epistle

Philippians 4:4–13

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

¹⁰I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹²I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:1–14

¹Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ²“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.’ ⁵But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.’ ¹⁰And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹“But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹²And he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen.”

The Nicene Creed

O Come To The Altar

by Steven Furtick, Chris Brown, Wade Joye, and Mack Brock

**Are you hurting and broken within
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin
Jesus is calling
Have you come to the end of yourself
Do you thirst for a drink from the well
Jesus is calling**

Chorus

**O come to the altar
The Father's arms are open wide
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ**

**Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today there's no reason to wait
Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born
Jesus is calling**

Bridge

**Oh what a Savior Isn't he wonderful
Sing alleluia Christ is risen Bow down before him
For he is Lord of all Sing alleluia Christ is risen (repeat)**

We Lift Our Hearts in Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

The Compassion Hymn by Keith and Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend

**There is an everlasting kindness you lavished on us
When the radiance of heaven came to rescue the lost;
You called the sheep without a shepherd to leave their distress
For Your streams of forgiveness and the shade of Your rest.**

**And with compassion for the hurting, You reached out Your hand
As the lame ran to meet You and the dead breathed again;
You saw behind the eyes of sorrow and shared in our tears,
Heard the sigh of the weary, let the children draw near.**

Chorus:

**What boundless love, what fathomless grace
You have shown us O God of compassion!
Each day we live, an off'ring of praise
As the show to the world Your compassion.**

**We stood beneath the cross of Calv'ry and gazed on Your face,
At the thorns of oppression and the wounds of disgrace;
For surely You have borne our suff'ring and carried our grief
As You pardoned the scoffer and showed grace to the thief.
Chorus**

**How beautiful the feet that carry this gospel of peace
To the fields of injustice and the valleys of need
To be a voice of hope and healing, to answer the cries
Of the hungry and helpless with the mercy of Christ. Chorus**

The Blessing

Joy of the Lord

by Ed Cash and Rend Collective

**Though the tears may fall,
my song will rise, my song will rise to You.
Though my heart may fail,
my song will rise, my song will rise to You.
While there's breath in my lungs
I will praise You, Lord.**

**In the dead of night,
I'll lift my eyes, I'll lift my eyes to you.
When the waters rise,
I'll lift my eyes to You.
While there's hope in this heart
I will praise You, Lord.**

Chorus:

**The joy of the Lord is my strength!
The joy of the Lord is my strength!
In the darkness I'll dance,
in the shadows I'll sing,
The joy of the Lord is my strength!**

**When I cannot see You with my eyes,
let faith arise to You.
When I cannot feel Your hand in mine,
let faith arise to You.
God of mercy and love,
I will praise You, Lord.**

**Oh, You shine with glory, Lord of light;
I feel alive with You.
In Your presence now, I come alive;
I am alive with You.
There is strength when I say:
"I will praise You, Lord!"** **Chorus (twice)**

Bridge:

**When sorrow comes my way,
You are the shield around me.
Always, you remain,
like courage in the fight.
I hear You call my name.
Jesus, I am coming,
Walking on the waves,
reaching for Your light!** **Chorus (twice)**

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