

*Seek the Lost · Build up the Found · Transform the City
Through Jesus Christ*
JUNE 24, 2018

O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing

1 O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise
The glories of my God and King
The triumphs of His grace

2 My gracious Master and my God
Assist me to proclaim
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honors of Thy name

*(So) come on and sing out
Let our anthem grow loud
There is one great love
Jesus*

3 Jesus the name that charms our fears
That bids our sorrows cease
'Tis music in the sinner's ears
'Tis life and health and peace

4 He breaks the power of canceled sin
He sets the prisoner free
His blood can make the foulest clean
His blood availed for me

5 To God all glory, praise, and love
Be now and ever given
By saints below and saints above,
The Church in earth and heaven.

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ACLAMATION & OPENING PRAYER

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

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

Leader: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid.

People: Lead us to live as citizens of your Kingdom, being salt and light in the world, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Oh Our Lord

*Oh our Lord, Oh our Lord
How majestic is Your Name in all the earth*

1 We behold the breaking dawn
The light that shines over ev'ryone
We look to You, we long for You
Oh Lord

2 We behold the rising sun
The earth awakes Your hope has come
We look to You, we long for You, oh Lord

3 We behold the falling rain
Like waters rise flood this place
We reach for You, we cling to You, oh Lord

Oh Your Name is a light in the darkness
Oh Your Name is the word of truth
Oh Your Name, oh Your Name

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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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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. Kids Time is a dynamic worship service that caters to younger children and prepares them to participate in the main worship service. The children will return prior to Communion.

SCRIPTURE READING

Galatians 5:16-25 (p. 946)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

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

People: Glory to You, Lord Christ.

Matthew 5:27-37 (p. 786)

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, Lord Christ.

MESSAGE

The Upside Down: Sermon on the Mount

Make Promises, Break Promises, Then What?

Rev. Eric Bolash

THE NICENE CREED (said together)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Leader: Gracious Father, hear us as we ask, seek and knock at the door of your presence in prayer.

Blessed are the poor in spirit,

People: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Leader: Heavenly Father, lead your Church to true humility, knowing everything we have comes from you. Use our lives to point to your truth and your glory. Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Blessed are those who mourn,

People: for they will be comforted.

Leader: Lord God, comfort and help us where we have done harm to our relationship with you, with others and with ourselves. Bring comfort also to those who have lost loved ones, those who have lost jobs, those who have lost health, and those who have lost hope. Comfort them, tend to them and guide them. Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Blessed are the meek,

People: for they will inherit the earth.

Leader: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,

People: for they will be filled.

Leader: Father Almighty, teach us to pray for your Kingdom to come and your will to be done. Correct us when we stray, forgive us when we fail. Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Blessed are the merciful,

People: for they will be shown mercy.

Leader: Blessed are the pure in heart,

People: for they will see God.

Leader: Blessed are the peacemakers,

People: for they will be called children of God.

Leader: Sovereign God, we pray for our leaders. For our president and our congress, for our governor and state officials, for our mayor and city leaders, and for leaders in the nations of the world. Lead them to be people of honor and integrity, bring them to saving faith in you, lead them to govern wisely, judge fairly, and enact policies in keeping with your laws. Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,

People: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Leader: Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me.

People: Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Leader: Most merciful God, protect and guard those around the world who seek to bring light to dark places, who seek to follow you despite the cost, and who courageously proclaim your truth in places where doing so will cost them their safety, or even their lives. Shield them, strengthen them, increase their joy, and encourage them with your presence. Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN (said together)

Compassionate God, merciful Father, we are poor in spirit and come to you in meekness. 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

Christ Is Mine Forevermore

1 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*

2 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

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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

We welcome 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.

Circle Us, O God

1 Circle us, O God, as we take and eat
Circle us, O God, as we drink this cup
Circle us, O God, at this Holy banquet
Circle us, circle us, O God

2 Circle us, O God, let Your arms enfold us
Circle us, O God, let your love surround
Circle us, O God, let your light shine brightly
Circle us, circle us, O God

Words: based on "Lorica," a traditional Celtic prayer
Music: Author unknown

No Longer Slaves

1 You unravel me with a melody
You surround me with a song
Of deliverance from my enemies
Till all my fears are gone

*I'm no longer a slave to fear
I am a child of God
I'm no longer a slave to fear
I am a child of God*

2 From my Mother's womb
You have chosen me
Love has called my name
I've been born again into Your family
Your blood flows through my veins

You split the sea so I could
walk right through it
My fears were drowned in perfect love
You rescued me so I could stand and sing
I am a child of God

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We Will Feast In The House Of Zion

*We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things, we will say together
We will feast and weep no more*

We will not be burned by the fire
He is the LORD our God
We are not consumed, by the flood
Upheld, protected, gathered up

In the dark of night, before the dawn
My soul, be not afraid
For the promised morning, oh how long?
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength

Every vow we've broken and betrayed
You are the Faithful one
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together, bring shalom.

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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.

BENEDICTION

Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm, and steadfast. And may the blessing of God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you, and remain with you, always.

Our Great God

*Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God
Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God*

Let ev'ry creature in the sea
And ev'ry flying bird
Let ev'ry mountain
Ev'ry field and valley of the earth
Let all the moons and all the stars
In all the universe
Sing praises to the living God
Who rules them by His Word

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DISMISSAL

Leader: Let us go forth as salt and light, for the glory of God and for the life of the world.
People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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



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Community

Interested in connecting deeper into the community here at Apostles? Consider joining a Community Group! Various community groups meet throughout the week. Contact Jay 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
Hope Reins
House of Hope
Jobs for Life
JusticeMatters
Loaves and Fishes Ministry
Neighbor To Neighbor
NeighborHealth Center
North Raleigh Ministries
YoungLife {Raleigh}
SafeFamilies of Raleigh
The Encouraging Place
Women's Prison Ministry

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What's Happening at Apostles

VBS Kick Off Covered Dish Supper ~ Sunday, June 24 @ 5pm | All are invited to celebrate *Shipwrecked VBS*! Check out the latest edition of The Pulse to sign up for "taco fixins" or to help with clean up/set up.

Men's Ministry Trivia Night! Men, on Wednesday, June 27, meet at Chow Pizza Bar at 8:00pm for trivia night. {8311 Creedmoor Road, Raleigh}

This Week

Sunday, June 24

- Worship Services: 10am
- VBS Taco Dinner: 5pm
- VBS

Monday, June 25

- VBS: 9am-12pm

Tuesday, June 26

- VBS: 9am-12pm
- Women's Bible Study: 7-9pm

Wednesday, June 27

- Band of Brothers (M): 7-8am (offsite)
- VBS: 9am-12pm
- Middle School Bible Study: 12:30pm
- High School Bible Study: 6pm

Thursday, June 28

- Berger Small Group: 7-8am
- Blackwater Group (M): 7-8am (offsite)
- VBS: 9am-12pm



The Vine

20's + 30's FELLOWSHIP



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Student Ministry

JUNE

25 ~ Milkshake Monday

27 ~ Summer Bible Study: MS 12:30pm | HS 6:00pm

Children's Ministry

Lessons for June 24, 2018

- **Nursery:** Building the Big Boat {Genesis 6:5-22}
- **Kids Time:** God Blesses Those Who Are Sad {Matthew 5:4}

Vacation Bible School 2018

Shipwrecked ~ Rescued by Jesus

Sunday, June 24 - Thursday, June 28

Ladies Meet and Treat

Have you ever wished you could meet more women at Apostles, but do not have the time to make a big commitment? Now is your chance! Make a new connection each month and get to know some of the amazing women at this church. Here is how it works: you are given the name of someone new to meet with each month. The two of you connect and come up with a time to meet. It could be a meal, coffee, a play date – whatever works for the two of you! **Contact:** Janet Whited {janetwhited@outlook.com}

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