

*Seek the Lost · Build up the Found · Transform the City
Through Jesus Christ*
JUNE 17, 2018

O Worship The King

1 O worship the King all glorious above
And gratefully sing His power and His love
Our Shield and Defender the Ancient of Days
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise

2 O tell of His might O sing of His grace
Whose robe is the light whose canopy space
His chariots of wrath the deep
thunderclouds form
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm

3 Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite
It breathes in the air it shines in the light
It streams from the hills it descends to the plain
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain

4 Frail children of dust and feeble as frail
In Thee do we trust nor find Thee to fail
Thy mercies how tender how firm to the end
Our Maker Defender Redeemer and Friend

5 O measureless might ineffable love
While angels delight to worship Thee above
The humbler creation though feeble their lays
With true adoration shall all sing Thy praise

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ACCLAMATION & 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.*

Holy, Holy, Holy

1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns
around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Which, wert and art and evermore shall be.

3 Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see;
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy Name,
in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, holy, holy; merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!
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What A Beautiful Name

1 You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

*What a beautiful Name it is
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King*

*What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus*

2 You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus You brought heaven down
My sin was great Your love was greater
What could separate us now

*What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus*

Death could not hold You
The veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again

You have no rival
You have no equal
Now and forever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom
Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names

*What a powerful Name it is
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus*

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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

Genesis 9:1-6 (p. 6)

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 5:21-26 (p. 786)

Leader: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

People: **Praise to You, Lord Christ.**

MESSAGE

The Upside Down: Sermon on the Mount

Morons and Fools

Rev. Jay Traylor

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.

CONFESSON 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

O Come To The Altar

1 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

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

2 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

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

3 Bear your cross as you wait for the crown
Tell the world of the treasure you've found

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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.

Before The Throne Of God Above

1 Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea
A great High Priest whose name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on His hands
My name is written on His heart
I know that while in heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart

2 When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end to all my sin
Because the sinless Savior died
My sinful soul is counted free
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me
To look on Him and pardon me

*Hallelujah, Hallelujah
Praise the One, risen Son of God*

3 Behold Him there the risen Lamb
My perfect spotless righteousness
The great unchangeable I Am
The King of glory and of grace
One with Himself I cannot die
My soul is purchased with His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Savior and my God
With Christ my Savior and my God

4 I bow before the cross of Christ
And marvel at this love divine
God's perfect Son the Sacrifice
That made me righteous in God's eyes
This river's depths I cannot know
But I can glory in its flood
The Lord most high has bowed down low
And poured on me His glorious love
And poured on me His glorious love

Stronger

1 There is Love that came for us
Humbled to a sinner's cross
You broke my shame and sinfulness
You rose again victorious

2 Faithfulness none can deny
Through the storm and through the fire
There is truth that sets me free
Jesus Christ who lives in me

*You are stronger, You are stronger
Sin is broken, You have saved me
It is written, Christ is risen!
Jesus, You are Lord of all*

3 No beginning and no end
You're my hope and my defense
You came to seek and save the lost
You paid it all upon the cross

So let Your Name be lifted higher
Be lifted higher, Be lifted higher

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Who You Say I Am

*Who the Son sets free, oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God, Yes I am
In my Father's house there's a place for me
I'm a child of God, Yes I am*

I am chosen not forsaken
I am who You say I am
You are for me not against me
I am who You say I am

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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.

Build Your Kingdom Here

1 Come set Your rule and reign
In our hearts again
Increase in us we pray
Unveil why we're made
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope
Like wildfire in our very souls
Holy Spirit come invade us now
We are Your church
We need Your pow'r in us

*Build Your kingdom here
Let the darkness fear
Show Your mighty hand
Heal our streets and land
Set Your church on fire
Win this nation back
Change the atmosphere
Build Your kingdom here we pray*

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2 We seek Your kingdom first
We hunger and we thirst
Refuse to waste our lives
For You're our joy and prize
To see the captives' hearts released
The hurt the sick the poor at peace
We lay down our lives for heaven's cause
We are Your church
We pray revive this earth

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!

W E L C O M E!

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.

Serve

There are several ways 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.

Financial Update

Please be in prayer that we would finish our fiscal year on June 30, 2018 with excellence!

Budgeted general contributions (7/1/17-5/31/18)	\$1,587,000
Actual contributions	\$1,535,405

Budgeted operating expenses (7/1/17-5/31/18)	\$1,568,937
Actual/committed expenses	\$1,500,369

While we remain behind in revenues, we are truly thankful for God allowing us to manage our expenses thus far this fiscal year without impacting ministry. Please pray for our congregation to grow both in attendance and in stewardship as we move into a new fiscal year on July 1.

Freedom for Mission | We have completed thirty-two months of the three year Freedom for Mission pledge journey. We have received \$1,100,252 toward the \$1,276,214 pledge total (86%). Our loan balance is ZERO, and every dollar for Freedom for Mission is now going straight toward Freedom for Mission grants. Thank you for continuing to fulfill your Freedom for Mission pledges!

The recent eruption of the Fuego volcano has brought utter devastation to the people of Escuintla, Guatemala. Potter's House, the mission partner hosting our Guatemala Mission Team, is in close communication with the Mayor and others of Escuintla who are organizing disaster relief and ongoing support. Through our Benevolence Fund, Church of the Apostles gave \$4,000 to Potter's House to assist in the volcano relief efforts there. For more information on Potter's House, please visit: pottershouse.org.gt.

What's Happening at Apostles

>>CHURCH-WIDE<< You are invited to participate in the Apostles Students Service Day! We will serve at Hope Reins on Thursday, June 21 from 9am-12pm. Please RSVP by June 15 to Emily Gebbie emily@apostles-raleigh.org.

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. Contact Stacey if you have any questions: stacey@apostles-raleigh.org.

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 17

- Worship Services: 10am

Tuesday, June 19

- Prayer & Praise: 1-2pm
- Women's Bible Study: 7-9pm

Wednesday, June 20

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

Thursday, June 21

- Berger Small Group: 7-8am
- Blackwater Group (M): 7-8am (offsite)
- Service Day @ Hope Reins: 9am-12pm
- Student North Hills Hangout: 2-5pm

Abinding Prayer

June 20

7-8pm

Youth Room

Student Ministry

JUNE

- 20 ~ Summer Bible Study: MS 12:30pm | HS 6:30pm
- 21 ~ Service Day @ Hope Reins: 9am-12pm
North Hills Hangout: 2-5pm
- 25 ~ Milkshake Monday
- 27 ~ Summer Bible Study: MS 12:30pm | HS 6:30pm

Children's Ministry

Lessons for June 17, 2018

- **Nursery:** God Loves Adam and Eve {Genesis 2:16-17; 3}
- **Kids Time:** God Blesses Those Who Are Poor {Matthew 5:3}

Vacation Bible School 2018
Shipwrecked ~ Rescued by Jesus
Sunday, June 24 - Thursday, June 28
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(zenō fil'ē ə; zenē-, zēnō-, zēnə-)

noun, Greek

the love of strangers;
hospitality

*The family showed their xenophilia
when they invited the new neighbors
over for dinner.*

We are in the fifth week of our hospitality campaign ...
have you found ways to show Xenophilia?

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