

Worship Guide 10/9/2022

Call to Worship

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

Psalm 29:1-2

Worshipping God by Singing

Holy, Holy, Holy

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

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

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.

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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Revelation Song

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Holy, holy is He
Sing a new song to Him who sits on
Heaven's mercy seat

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Holy, holy, holy
is the Lord God Almighty
Who was and is and is to come
With all creation I sing
praise to the King of kings
You are my everything
and I will adore You

Clothed in rainbows of living color
Flashes of lighting rolls of thunder
Blessing and honor strength and
glory and power be
To You the only wise King

Holy, holy, holy
is the Lord God Almighty
Who was and is and is to come
With all creation I sing
praise to the King of kings
You are my everything
and I will adore You

Filled with wonder
awestruck wonder
At the mention of Your name
Jesus, Your name is power,
breath and living water
Such a marvelous mystery

Holy, holy, holy
is the Lord God Almighty
Who was and is and is to come
With all creation I sing
praise to the King of kings
You are my everything
and I will adore You,
I will adore You

Worshiping God by Confessing Our Faith

Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving his displeasure, and without hope save in his sovereign mercy?

Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon him alone for salvation as he is offered in the gospel?

Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?

Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?

Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to study its purity and peace?

Worshiping God by Singing

Not What my Hands

Not what my hands have done
can save my guilty soul;
not what my toiling flesh has borne
can make my spirit whole.

Not what I feel or do
can give me peace with God;
not all my prayers and sighs and tears
can bear my awful load.

These guilty hands are raised,
filthy rags are all I bring
And I have come to hide beneath your wings

These holy hands are raised,
washed in the fountain of your grace
And now I wear your righteousness.

Thy work alone, oh Christ,
can ease this weight of sin
Thy blood alone, oh Lamb of God,
can give me peace within

Thy love to me, oh God,
not mine, oh Lord, to thee
Can rid me of this dark unrest
and set my spirit free

These guilty hands are raised,
filthy rags are all I bring
And I have come to hide beneath your wings

These holy hands are raised,
washed in the fountain of your grace
And now I wear your righteousness

Thy grace alone, oh God,
to me can pardon speak
Thy power alone, oh Lamb of God,
can this sore bondage break

No other work save thine,
no other blood will do
No strength but that which is divine
can bear me safely through

These guilty hands are raised,
filthy rags are all I bring
And I have come to hide beneath your wings

These holy hands are raised,
washed in the fountain of your grace
And now I wear your righteousness

I praise the God of grace;
I trust his truth and might
He calls me his, I call him mine,
My God, my Joy, my Light

My Lord has saved my life
and freely pardon gives;
I love because he first loved me,
I live because he lives.

Prayer

Missionary of the Week:

YoungLife Sumter
BJ Riley

Community Church of the Week:

Trinity United Methodist Church
Rev. Joseph James

Presbytery Church of the Week:

Andrews Presbyterian Church
Rev. Mark Horne

Worshiping God by Hearing His Word

Series: *Joy!*

Sermon: *The Happiness of Holiness*

¹ And all the people gathered as one man into the square before the Water Gate. And they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses that the LORD had commanded Israel. ² So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could understand what they heard, on the first day of the seventh month. ³ And he read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand. And the ears of all the people

were attentive to the Book of the Law. ⁴ And Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden platform that they had made for the purpose. And beside him stood Mattithiah, Shema, Anaiah, Uriah, Hilkiah, and Maaseiah on his right hand, and Pedaiah, Mishael, Malchijah, Hashum, Hashbaddanah, Zechariah, and Meshullam on his left hand. ⁵ And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was above all the people, and as he opened it all the people stood. ⁶ And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, “Amen, Amen,” lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. ⁷ Also Jeshua, Bani, Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodiah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, the Levites, helped the people to understand the Law, while the people remained in their places. ⁸ They read from the book, from the Law of God, clearly, and they gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. ⁹ And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, “This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep.” For all the people wept as they heard the words of the Law. ¹⁰ Then he said to them, “Go your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.” ¹¹ So the Levites calmed all the people, saying, “Be quiet, for this day is holy; do not be grieved.” ¹² And all the people went their way to eat and drink and to send portions and to make great rejoicing, because they had understood the words that were declared to them.

_____ and _____.

One reason we doubt this truth is that we _____ holiness.

Another reason we doubt the connection between holiness and happiness is that we _____ joy.

The good news we can celebrate is that our holiness and our happiness _____ in _____.

Action point:

_____ the Holy Spirit to make the connection between holiness and happiness more _____ in your life.

Let's _____ with _____ the gift we have in Jesus.

Worshiping God by Singing

Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

Baptized into your name most holy,
O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
I claim a place, though weak and lowly,
among your seed, your chosen host;
Buried with Christ, and dead to sin,
Your Spirit e'er shall live within.

My loving Father, me you've taken
fore'er to be your child and heir;
My faithful Savior, me you've given
Your righteous, holy life to share;
O Holy Spirit, you will be
a comfort, Guide, and help to me.

And I have vowed to fear and love you,
and to obey you, Lord, alone;
Because the Holy Spirit moved me
I dared to pledge myself your own,
Renouncing sin to keep the faith,
and war with evil unto death.

My faithful God, your Word fails never,
Your cov'nant surely will abide;
Oh cast me not away for ever,
should I transgress it on my side,
Though I have oft my soul defiled,
in love forgive, restore your child.

Yes, all I am and love most dearly
I offer now, O Lord, to you.
Oh let me make my vows sincerely,
and what I say, help me to do.
Let naught within me, naught I own,
serve any will but yours alone.

And never let my purpose falter,
O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
But keep me faithful to your altar,
till you shall call me from my post;
So unto you I live and die,
and praise you evermore on high.

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Benediction

May the joy of the LORD be your strength.

from Nehemiah 8:10