

## **Worship Guide 7/30/2023**

### **Call to Worship**

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

Revelation 21:1-5

### **Worshiping God by Singing**

#### **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

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

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

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

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

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

## **Worshipping God by Confessing Our Sins**

We confess, our Father, that we do not live up to the family name.  
There are times when we are more ready to resent than to forgive,  
more ready to manipulate than to serve,  
more ready to fear than to love,  
more ready to keep our distance than to welcome,  
more ready to compete than to help.  
At the root of this behavior is mistrust.  
We do not love one another as we should,  
because we do not believe you love us as you do.  
Forgive us our cold unbelief.  
And make more vivid to us the meaning and depth  
of your love at the cross and the empty tomb.  
Cause us to live more in line with our identity  
as your sons and daughters.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus, our righteousness.  
Amen.

## **Worshipping God by Singing**

### **Help My Unbelief**

I know the Lord is nigh,  
And would but cannot pray,  
For Satan meets me when I try,  
And frights my soul away.  
And frights my soul away.

I would but can't repent,  
Though I endeavor oft;  
This stony heart can ne'er relent  
Till Jesus makes it soft.  
Till Jesus make it soft.

Help my unbelief.  
Help my unbelief.  
Help my unbelief.  
My help must come from Thee.

I would but cannot love,  
Though wooed by love divine;  
No arguments have power to move  
A soul as base as mine.  
A soul so base as mine.

I would but cannot rest,  
In God's most holy will;  
I know what He appoints is best,  
And murmur at it still.  
I murmur at it still.

Help my unbelief.  
Help my unbelief.  
Help my unbelief.  
My help must come from Thee.

## **Worshiping God by Confessing Our Hope**

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

John 3:16-17

## **Worshiping God by Singing**

### **Mighty To Save**

Everyone needs compassion,  
Love that's never failing.  
Let mercy fall on me.

Everyone needs forgiveness,  
The kindness of a Savior,  
The hope of nations

Savior, He can move the mountains,  
My God is mighty to save,  
He is mighty to save

Forever Author of salvation,  
He rose and conquered the grave,  
Jesus conquered the grave

So take me as You find me,  
All my fears and failures,  
Fill my life again

I give my life to follow,  
Everything I believe in,  
Now I surrender

Savior, He can move the mountains,  
My God is mighty to save,  
He is mighty to save

Forever Author of salvation,  
He rose and conquered the grave,  
Jesus conquered the grave

Shine your light and let the whole world see  
We're singing for the glory of the risen King, Jesus  
Shine your light and let the whole world see  
We're singing for the glory of the risen King

Savior, He can move the mountains,  
My God is mighty to save,  
He is mighty to save

Forever Author of salvation,  
He rose and conquered the grave,  
Jesus conquered the grave

Savior, You can move the mountains,  
Lord, You are mighty to save,  
You are mighty to save

Forever Author of salvation,  
You rose and conquered the grave,  
Yes, You conquered the grave

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## **Prayer**

Missionary of the Week:	Laura Dekle Cohran Engaging Disability with the Gospel
Community Church of the Week:	First Church of the Nazarene Rev. Greg Pressley
Presbytery Church of the Week:	Grace Presbyterian Church Rev. Kyle Brent

## Worshipping God by Hearing His Word

Series: *Rest in a Restless World*

Sermon: *“Striving” to Enter God’s Rest*

<sup>7</sup> Therefore, as the Holy Spirit says, “Today, if you hear his voice, <sup>8</sup> do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion, on the day of testing in the wilderness, <sup>9</sup> where your fathers put me to the test and saw my works for forty years. <sup>10</sup> Therefore I was provoked with that generation, and said, ‘They always go astray in their heart; they have not known my ways.’ <sup>11</sup> As I swore in my wrath, ‘They shall not enter my rest.’”

<sup>12</sup> Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. <sup>13</sup> But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. <sup>14</sup> For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. <sup>15</sup> As it is said, “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.” <sup>16</sup> For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? <sup>17</sup> And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? <sup>18</sup> And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? <sup>19</sup> So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

<sup>4:1</sup> Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. <sup>2</sup> For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. <sup>3</sup> For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said, “As I swore in my wrath, ‘They shall not enter my rest,’” although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. <sup>4</sup> For he has



somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all his works.”<sup>5</sup> And again in this passage he said, “They shall not enter my rest.”<sup>6</sup> Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience,<sup>7</sup> again he appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted, “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts.”<sup>8</sup> For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on.<sup>9</sup> So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God,<sup>10</sup> for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.<sup>11</sup> Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience.

Hebrews 3:7-4:11

God calls us to “\_\_\_\_\_” to enter his \_\_\_\_\_.

This “striving” is engaging in a \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ battle against  
\_\_\_\_\_.

Unbelief and rest are \_\_\_\_\_.

Jesus will bring \_\_\_\_\_ who \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ into the ultimate rest of the new heaven and new earth.

Action point:

Be \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ and actively \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

Let's \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ that God's promises  
of rest are truly "\_\_\_\_\_" and "\_\_\_\_\_" in  
Christ.

## **Worshiping God by Singing**

### **On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand**

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand,  
and cast a wishful eye  
To Canaan's fair and happy land,  
where my possessions lie.

All o'er those wide extended plains  
shines one eternal day;  
There God the Son forever reigns  
and scatters night away.

I am bound (*I am bound*)  
I am bound (*I am bound*)  
I am bound for the promised land.

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath  
can reach that healthful shore;  
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death,  
are felt and feared no more.

I am bound (*I am bound*)  
I am bound (*I am bound*)  
I am bound for the promised land.

When shall I reach that happy place  
and be forever blessed?  
When shall I see my Father's face  
and in His bosom rest?

I am bound (*I am bound*)  
I am bound (*I am bound*)  
I am bound for the promised land.

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## **Benediction**

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

Jude 24-25