

Worship Guide 9/25/2022

Call to Worship

Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD. Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

Psalm 32:10-11

Worshiping God by Singing

O Love that Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe
That in Thine ocean's depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O Light that followest all my way
I yield my flickering torch to Thee,
My heart restores its borrowed ray
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to Thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain
And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be

O Cross that liftest up my head
I dare not ask to fly from Thee
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be

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Worshiping God by Confessing Our Sins

Gracious Father, we are not the people we would like others to think we are. We put up a good front, but we would be distraught and dismayed if anyone saw what we're really like inside. Sometimes we are even afraid to admit to ourselves the ugly sinfulness that lurks within us. We know we can't hide all this from you. You know us fully as we are, and yet you still love us. Forgive us for all the ways we have failed to love you and our neighbors. Through Jesus and by your Spirit cleanse us and make us whole.
Amen.

Worshiping God by Confessing Our Hope

Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.

from Ephesians 5:25-27

Worshiping God by Singing

Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting

Jesus, I am resting, resting
in the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness
of Thy loving heart

Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee,
and Thy beauty fills my soul
For by Thy transforming power
Thou hast made me whole

Jesus, I am resting, resting
in the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness
of Thy loving heart

Oh, how great Thy loving kindness,
vaster broader than the sea
Oh, how marvelous Thy goodness
lavished all on me

Yes, I rest in Thee, Beloved,
know what wealth of grace is Thine
Know Thy certainty of promise
and have made it mine

Jesus, I am resting, resting
in the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness
of Thy loving heart

Simply trusting Thee, Lord Jesus,
I behold Thee as Thou art
And Thy love, so pure, so changeless,
satisfies my heart

Satisfies its deepest longings,
meets supplies its ev'ry need
Compasseth me 'round with blessings,
Thine is love indeed

Jesus, I am resting, resting
in the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness
of Thy loving heart

Ever lift Thy face upon me
as I work and wait for Thee
Resting 'neath Thy smile, Lord Jesus,
Earth's dark shadows flee

Brightness of my Father's glory,
sunshine of my Father's face
Keep me ever trusting, resting,
fill me with Thy grace

Jesus, I am resting, resting
in the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness
of Thy loving heart
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of Thy loving heart

He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail,
Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail,
He will hold me fast

I could never keep my hold
through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold,
He must hold me fast.

He will hold me fast
He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so
He will hold me fast

Those He saves are His delight,
Christ will hold me fast
Precious in His holy sight,
He will hold me fast

He'll not let my soul be lost,
His promises shall last
Bought by Him at such a cost,
He will hold me fast.

He will hold me fast
He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so
He will hold me fast

For my life He bled and died,
Christ will hold me fast
Justice has been satisfied,
He will hold me fast

Raised with Him to endless life,
He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight,
When He comes at last.

He will hold me fast
He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so
He will hold me fast

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Prayer

Missionary of the Week:	Child Evangelism Fellowship
Community Church of the Week:	Wise Drive Baptist Church Rev. Phillip Beacham
Presbytery Church of the Week:	Union Presbyterian Church Rev. Marty Hodge

Worshiping God by Hearing His Word

Series: *Joy!*

Sermon: *The Joy of Being Enjoyed*

¹⁴ Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem! ¹⁵ The LORD has taken away the judgments against you; he has cleared away your enemies. The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; you shall never again fear evil. ¹⁶ On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: “Fear not, O Zion; let not your hands grow weak. ¹⁷ The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.”

Zephaniah 3:14-17

As believers in Christ, we can have great joy because _____
_____ over _____!

This truth is in _____ to the way we are
often tempted to _____ about God.

God’s joy over us is displayed in his _____
for us in Christ.

Action point:

_____ in the joyful love of God for
you in Christ.

Let's _____ to _____ and _____ that in
Christ God rejoices over us.

Worshiping God by Singing

You Made Us Your Own

We were ruined in our sin,
we were guilty and undone
When Your love reached down with sovereign hands
And beckoned us to come

You sought out the wanderers,
made the prodigals come home
With a lavish feast You welcomed us
For You made us Your own

You have loved us like You love Your Son
We are heirs with Christ bought by His blood
Oh how great the love that we've been shown
We're Your children now You made us Your own

We are strangers to the world,
but no strangers to Your throne
We draw near You now with confidence
For all our fears are gone

And when Christ our King returns,
we'll meet saints we've never known
And forever we will be amazed
That You made us Your own

You have loved us like You love Your Son
We are heirs with Christ bought by His blood
Oh how great the love that we've been shown
We're Your children now You made us Your own

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Benediction

May the joy of the LORD be your strength.

from Nehemiah 8:10