

## Gathering Music “I’ll Give Thanks”

In the morning You sing over me and I receive Your mercy.  
Your faithfulness is clear to see, it's constant every day.

**Chorus:** Every breath I breathe an invitation to believe You are creating something good. Though this season doesn't tell my story I know You'll move mountains for me, You're just that good.

So I'll give thanks to God when I don't have enough  
'Cause He's more than enough and He knows what I need. (repeat)

In the silence I choose to believe You're working in the waiting.  
Though the future isn't clear to me I trust You anyway. **Chorus**

Why do I worry (3X) God knows what I need.  
So I'll give thanks to God when I don't have enough  
'Cause He's more than enough and He knows what I need. (repeat)

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## “Ever Be”

Your love is devoted like a ring of solid gold, like a vow that is tested like a covenant of old. Your love is enduring through the winter rain and beyond the horizon with mercy for today.

Faithful You have been and faithful You will be, You pledge Yourself to me and it's why I sing.  
Your praise will ever be on my lips, ever be on my lips. (x4)

You Father the orphan, Your kindness makes us whole. You shoulder our weakness and Your strength becomes our own. You're making me like You, clothing me in white, bringing beauty from ashes for You will have Your bride.

Free of all her guilt and rid of all her shame and known by her true name and it's why I sing.  
Your praise will ever be on my lips, ever be on my lips. (x4)

You will be praised, You will be praised with angels and saints we sing worthy are You Lord. (x4)

And it's why I sing

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## Greeting/Announcements

### Song “The Lion and the Lamb”

He's coming on the clouds, Kings and kingdoms will bow down and every chain will break as broken hearts declare His praise. For who can stop the Lord Almighty?

## Distribution: “O Come to the Altar” (continued)

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.

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown, tell the world of the treasure you've found.

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## “The Well”

Leave it all behind (repeat 4x)

I have what you need but you keep on searching. I've done all the work but you keep on working. When you're running on empty and you can't find the remedy, just come to the well.

You can spend your whole life chasing what's missing, but that empty inside, It just ain't gonna listen when nothing can satisfy and the world leaves you high and dry.  
Just come to the well.

**Chorus:** And all who thirst will thirst no more, and all who search will find what their souls long for. The world will try but it can never fill (So) leave it all behind and come to the well.

So bring Me your heart, no matter how broken, just come as you are. When your last prayer is spoken just rest in My arms a while. You'll feel the change My child when you come to the well. **Chorus**

And now that you're full of love beyond measure Your joy's gonna flow like a stream in the desert. Soon all the world will see that living water is found in Me 'Cause you've come to the well. **Chorus**

Leave it all behind, leave it all behind. (repeat)  
Leave it all behind and come to the well.

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## Benediction

### Closing Song “Graves into Gardens”

I searched the world but it couldn't fill me; Man's empty praise and treasures that fade, are never enough. Then You came along and put me back together, and every desire is now satisfied here in Your love.

## Offering “Whole Heart (Hold Me Now)”

Hold me now in the hands that created the heavens. Find me now where the grace runs as deep as Your scars. You pulled me from the clay, set me on a rock, called me by Your Name and made my heart whole again.

Lifted up, and my knees know it's all for Your glory that I might stand with more reasons to sing than to fear. You pulled me from the clay, set me on a rock, called me by Your Name and made my heart whole again.

**Chorus: So here I stand, high in surrender. I need You now. Hold my heart now and forever. My soul cries out.**

**Once I was broken but You loved my whole heart through. Sin has no hold on me 'Cause Your grace holds me now.**

**And that grace owns the ground where the grave did, where all my shame remains, Left for dead in Your wake. You crashed those age-old gates, You left no stone unturned. You stepped out of that grave and shouldered me all the way.**

**Chorus: So here I stand, high in surrender. I need You now. Hold my heart now and forever. My soul cries out.**

**Healed and forgiven, look where my chains are now. Death has no hold on me 'Cause Your grace holds that ground.**

**And Your grace holds me now. Your grace holds me now. Your grace holds me now. Your grace holds me now. Chorus**

**And Your grace holds me now, Grace holds me now.**

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## Prayers of the Church

### Words of Institution

### The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

### Distribution: “O Come to the Altar”

**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.**

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

## Song “The Lion and the Lamb” (continued)

**Chorus: Our God is the Lion, the Lion of Judah. He's roaring with power and fighting our battles and every knee will bow before Him. Our God is the Lamb, The Lamb that was slain for the sins of the world His blood breaks the chains and every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb. Every knee will bow before Him.**

**So open up the gates, make way before the King of kings. The God who comes to save Is here to set the captives free for who can stop the Lord Almighty?**

**Who can stop the Lord Almighty (repeat) Chorus**

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## Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

**P:** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

### *Silence for reflection and self-examination*

**P:** Most merciful God,

**C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name, Amen.**

**P:** Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a fellow member of the priesthood of all believers and by the authority of Jesus Christ I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## Prayer of the Day

**Merciful God, from generation to generation your healing and life-giving power has been made manifest. Empower us to let the glory of your mercy and forgiveness shine through the light of our lives; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.**

**First Reading:** Isaiah 35:4-7

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, “Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.”

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

**Second Reading:** James 2:1-12

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, “Have a seat here, please,” while to the one who is poor you say, “Stand there,” or, “Sit at my feet,” have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, “You shall not commit adultery,” also said, “You shall not murder.” Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty.

**Faith Seeds** ..... Pastor Paul Knudson

Faith Seeds is a time for children of all ages to come forward for a lesson geared to them.

**The Gospel Acclamation:** “Thy Word”

**Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. X2**

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**Gospel:** Mark 7:24-37

From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.” So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

**Gospel:** Mark 7:24-37 (continued)

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, “He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.”

**Sermon** ..... “A Tale of Two Gods”..... Pastor Scott Grorud**Song** “How Sweet the Sound”

**Yea though I walk through the valley, I know that You are always right beside me  
And I will fear no evil. You're my rock and my strength, You comfort me.**

**Chorus: Amazing grace how sweet the sound, I hear You singing over me. I once  
was lost but now I'm found and it's beautiful. Amazing grace how sweet the sound,  
It covers every part of me. My soul is silent I am found and it's a beautiful sound.  
It's a beautiful, beautiful, sound.**

**Carry me through the waters where Your peace clears away all my sorrow  
And nothing can separate us from Your love. Oh Your love it will always be. Chorus**

**You were healing in the pain; You were shelter in the storm.**

**Hallelujah You restore my soul. (repeat) Chorus**

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**Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of  
the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was  
crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come  
again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the  
forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## Closing Song “Graves into Gardens” (continued)

I searched the world but it couldn't fill me; Man's empty praise and treasures that fade, are never enough. Then You came along and put me back together, and every desire is now satisfied here in Your love.

*Chorus:* Oh there's nothing better than You, there's nothing better than You. Lord there's nothing, Nothing is better than You.

I'm not afraid to show You my weakness, my failures and flaws  
Lord You've seen them all and You still call me friend  
'Cause the God of the mountain is the God of the valley  
And there's not a place Your mercy and grace won't find me again. *Chorus*

You turn mourning to dancing, You give beauty for ashes  
You turn shame into glory, You're the only one who can.

You turn graves into gardens, You turn bones into armies  
You turn seas into highways, You're the only one who can. *Chorus*

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### “What Does This Mean?”

Questions about Today's Worship Theme:  
Mark 7:24-37

- \* Why do you think Jesus treated the Syrophenician woman so differently than the deaf man?
- \* What did Martin Luther mean by his image of God *preached* fighting against God *unpreached*?
- \* How do Christians conquer God by clinging to the promises He has made to us?
- \* How can the notion of God fighting against God help us witness to others?

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