



May 10, 2026

Prelude

Welcome

Lucas Mooibroek
Director of Adult Ministries

Silent meditation

The dispersion through persecution creates a band of missionaries, not refugees. All are scattered, as seed is sown, and go about evangelizing Judea, and Samaria, the second two theaters for the Great Commission's fulfillment, have now been entered.

Samaria was a society steeped in occult magic and syncretistic religious practices. It learns through its missionaries, who must also be theologians, that the power of the gospel is not magic and cannot be bought. In the process it discovers again the true power of the gospel. -William J Larkin Jr.

G O D C A L L S U S T O W O R S H I P

Call to Worship

Psalm 95:1-7a

Elder Paul Delaire

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;
 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
 let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
For the LORD is a great God,
 and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the depths of the earth;
 the heights of the mountains are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it,
 and his hands formed the dry land.

Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
 let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!
For he is our God,
 and we are the people of his pasture,
 and the sheep of his hand.

** Please rise in body and/or in spirit.*

* The Goodness of God

Jenn Johnson, Ed Cash, Jason Ingram
Ben Fielding and Brian Johnson



1. I love you, Lord.
2. I love your voice.

Oh, your
You have



mer - cy nev - er fails me.
led me through the fire.

~ All my days
In dark - est night,



I've been held in your hands.
you are close like no other -



From the moment that I wake up un - til I lay
- er. ~ I've known you as a fa - ther, I've known you as



my head I will sing of the good - ness of God.
a friend. I have lived in the good - ness of God.

Chorus



All my life you have been faith - ful.



All my life you have been so, so good.



With ev-'ry breath that I am a - ble I will sing

of the good - ness of God. 1st time to Vs 2
2nd time to Bridge

Bridge

Your good-ness is run-ning af - ter, it's run-ning af - ter me.

With my life laid down, I'm sur-ren - dered now; I give

you ev - 'ry-thing. Your good-ness is running af - ter, it's

run - ning af - ter me. to Chorus

*** Invocation**

A Collection of Songs from the Men's Chorus

arr. Anthony Giamanco

Down in the River to Pray

As I went down in the river to pray,
Studying about that good old way,
And who shall wear a starry crown,
Good Lord, show me the way

Oh, sisters, let's go down,
Let's go down, come on down.
Oh, sisters, let's go down
Down in the river to pray.

...brothers...
...mothers...
...fathers...

Create In Me a Clean Heart

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence, O Lord,
And take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of your salvation,
And renew a right spirit within me.

Rejoice, the Lord is King

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice, again I say rejoice.

His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o'er earth and heaven.
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice, again I say rejoice.

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord and Judge shall come
And take his servants up to their eternal home.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice, again I say rejoice.

GOD CALLS US TO RENEWAL

Call to confession

Psalm 37:4-6

Delight yourself in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.
Commit your way to the LORD;
trust in him, and he will act.
He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,
and your justice as the noonday.

Prayer of confession followed by a time of silent confession

Humble Thyself

The musical notation is for the hymn 'Humble Thyself' by Hudson. It consists of two staves in 3/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The top staff begins with a whole rest, followed by a melody for the words 'Hum-ble thy - self in the sight of the'. The bottom staff begins with the instruction 'Men begin, Women echo' and contains a melody for the words 'Hum-ble thy - self in the sight of the Lord,'.

Hudson

Hum-ble thy - self in the sight of the

Men begin, Women echo

Hum-ble thy - self in the sight of the Lord,

Lord.
hum - ble thy - self in the sight of the

Hum-ble thy - self in the sight of the Lord; And He shall lift you
Lord; and He shall lift you

up, high - er and high - er, and He shall lift you up.
up, high - er and high - er, and He shall lift you up.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Galatians 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

8:30 service

On the final verse of the song below, 4- to 5- year-olds are invited to the foyer to join Christ Kids Worship and will return following the sermon.

11:15 service

Church bags are available in the foyer for 4- to 5-year-olds who need some quiet activities during the sermon.

* *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

Trinity Hymnal 295

GOD'S WORD GIVEN TO US

* Scripture reading

Acts 8:4-25

Now those who were scattered went about preaching the word. ⁵ Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed to them the Christ. ⁶ And the crowds with one accord paid attention to what was being said by Philip, when they heard him and saw the signs that he did. ⁷ For unclean spirits, crying out with a loud voice, came out of many who had them, and many who were paralyzed or lame were healed. ⁸ So there was much joy in that city.

⁹ But there was a man named Simon, who had previously practiced magic in the city and amazed the people of Samaria, saying that he himself was somebody great. ¹⁰ They all paid attention to him, from the least to the greatest, saying, "This man is the power of God that is called Great." ¹¹ And they paid attention to him because for a long time he had amazed them with his magic. ¹² But when they believed Philip as he preached good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women. ¹³ Even Simon himself believed, and after being baptized he continued with Philip. And seeing signs and great miracles performed, he was amazed.

¹⁴ Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to

them Peter and John, ¹⁵ who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit, ¹⁶ for he had not yet fallen on any of them, but they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. ¹⁷ Then they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit. ¹⁸ Now when Simon saw that the Spirit was given through the laying on of the apostles' hands, he offered them money, ¹⁹ saying, "Give me this power also, so that anyone on whom I lay my hands may receive the Holy Spirit." ²⁰ But Peter said to him, "May your silver perish with you, because you thought you could obtain the gift of God with money! ²¹ You have neither part nor lot in this matter, for your heart is not right before God. ²² Repent, therefore, of this wickedness of yours, and pray to the Lord that, if possible, the intent of your heart may be forgiven you. ²³ For I see that you are in the gall of bitterness and in the bond of iniquity." ²⁴ And Simon answered, "Pray for me to the Lord, that nothing of what you have said may come upon me."

²⁵ Now when they had testified and spoken the word of the Lord, they returned to Jerusalem, preaching the gospel to many villages of the Samaritans.

Elder: The Word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God!

* Prayer

Sermon

Pay Attention!

Pastor Michael Anderson

God's kingdom is _____ (4-8)

God's kingdom is _____ (9-13)

God's kingdom is _____ (14-17)

God's kingdom is _____ (18-25)

1) Joyful; 2) Amazing; 3) United; 4) Messy

Further discussion/questions? michaelanderson@christchurchgr.org
Sermons are available online at www.christchurchgr.org

DEDICATING OURSELVES TO GOD

* Here I Am to Worship

by Tim Hughes



1. Light of the world, You stepped down in - to dark - ness
2. King of all days, O, so high - ly ex - alt - ed,



op - ened my eyes, let me see. Beau - ty that made this ____
glo - rious in hea - ven a - bove. Hum - bly you came to the



heart ____ a - dore you; hope of a life spent with you. ____
earth you cre - a - ted; all for love's sake be - came poor.

Chorus



____ Here I am to wor - ship, here I am to bow down, here I am to



say that You're my God. ____ You're al - to - ge - ther love - ly, al - to - ge - ther



wor - thy, al - to - ge - ther won - der - ful to me. ____ I'll nev -



- er know how much ____ it cost to see ____ my sin up - on ____ that cross. ____

(to chorus)

Living out our faith announcements about the life of the church

Prayers of the People

During the offertory please pass the red friendship pads found at the end of the rows.

Give online at christchurchgr.org or by texting (888) 793-1604

Offertory

*** *Gloria Patri***

Trinity Hymnal 735

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be
World without end. Amen, amen.**

* Benediction

Kids and All: You are invited to come forward and play rhythm instruments as we sing our closing Amen song.

* *And All the People Said Amen!*

Matt Maher

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (D major) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of three staves of music with lyrics underneath. The first staff has a measure rest followed by notes for 'And-all the peo-ple said "A-men" Oh _____ And all the peo-ple said "A-'. The second staff continues with 'men."' and 'Give thanks to the Lord for his love ____ ne-ver ends.'. The third staff has a measure rest followed by notes for 'And all the peo - ple said "A - men."'. Chord symbols are placed above the notes: D, A, D, G, D, A, G, D, F#, Bm, G, A, G, G/F#, G/E, D.

And-all the peo-ple said "A-men" Oh _____ And all the peo-ple said "A-
men." Give thanks to the Lord for his love ____ ne-ver ends.
And all the peo - ple said "A - men."

* Postlude

Prayer Partners are available to pray with you right now. Come to the area by the organ with anything on your heart: praise, fears, questions, thanksgiving. We'll sit down and pray together.

Worship musicians

Men's Chorus

Linda Bokma-deJong, song leader

Susan Guerra, piano

Crown Him with Many Crowns

On his head are many crowns. Rev. 19:12

1. Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
 2. Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and side,
 3. Crown him the Lord of peace; whose pow'r a scep - ter sways
 4. Crown him the Lord of years, the Po - ten - tate of time;

hark! how the heav'n - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own:
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied:
 from pole to pole, that wars may cease, ab - sorbed in prayer and praise:
 Cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fa - bly sub - lime:

a - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
 no an - gel in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
 his reign shall know no end; and round his pierc - ed feet
 all hail, Re - deem - er, hail! for thou hast died for me:

and hail him as thy match - less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 but down - ward bends his burn - ing eye at mys - ter - ies so bright.
 fair flow'rs of par - a - dise ex - tend their fra - grance ev - er sweet.
 thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.