

WE EXIST TO... GROW IN CHRIST, LOVE LIKE CHRIST, LIVE FOR CHRIST

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2024

WELCOME / PRAYER OF INVOCATION

YOU ALONE CAN RESCUE

Verse 1

Who, O Lord, could save themselves, Their own soul could heal? Our shame was deeper than the sea. Your grace is deeper still. (REPEAT)

Chorus

And You alone can rescue, You alone can save. You alone can lift us from the grave. You came down to find us, led us out of death. To You alone belongs the highest praise.

Verse 2

You, O Lord, have made a way. The great divide, You healed. For when our hearts were far away, Your love went further still. Yes, Your love goes further still.

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CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

SERMON: "THE TRANSFORMING POWER OF JESUS" — LUKE 8:26–39

COMMUNION

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day He arose again. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, and He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

A DEBTOR TO MERCY Hymns of Grace, 186

JESUS DOES

Verse 1 Who tells the sun to rise every morning, Colors the sky with the shades of His glory, Wakes us with mercy and love? Jesus does.

Verse 2 Who holds the orphan, comforts the widow, Cries for injustice, feels every sorrow, Carries the pain of His children? Jesus does. Chorus So we sing: Praise to the Father who gave us the Son. Praise to the Spirit who's living in us. When I was a sinner, He saved me from who I was, ('Cause) that's what Jesus does.

Verse 3

Who understands the heart of the sinner, Showers His grace over all our mistakes, Washes us clean with His blood? Jesus does.

Verse 4

Who sings the song of sweet forgiveness? Who stole the keys to hell and the grave? Who has the power to save? Jesus does.

Chorus

Bridge Oh what a Friend, Oh what a Savior, He's always been good, He's always been faithful. He came to my rescue When I needed Him most And saved my soul.

Chorus

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THE LION AND THE LAMB

Verse 1 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? 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.

Verse 2

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?

Chorus

Bridge Who can stop the Lord Almighty? (Repeat) Who can stop the Lord?

Chorus

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BENEDICTION

Jan 28: Fellowship breakfast from 9–945 AM - please bring a dish to share

Feb 2:Thrive, for students in 5th–12th
grade, meets at the home of
Richard & Chrissy Burns in
Nobleboro from 630–8 PM

Feb 4:

Fellowship lunch following the morning worship service - please bring a dish to share

General Info:

<u>TVC Kids</u>: We strive for family-friendly worship & want to encourage parents to keep their children in the sanctuary or East Hall for worship. To help families, backpacks filled with a note sheet, a coloring page, and snacks are available for children Pre-K – 5th grade. Note sheets are available for children in 5th – 8th grade. The backpacks will be handed out prior to the sermon.

We also offer Rooted which is a time of teaching & learning for children in grades K–4 that meets downstairs in the Fellowship Hall classroom. The children who participate in Rooted will be dismissed by Pastor Phil prior to the sermon.

We also offer a volunteer staffed Nursery that meets in the Fellowship Hall during the sermon. We are thankful & appreciate the opportunity to serve you & your children.

We understand that children can get restless & squirmy, so if you have to leave the service with your child, please feel free to do so; but please know that you are welcome to rejoin the service at any time.

<u>Gospel Growth Communities (GGCs):</u> GGCs are just one way you can purposefully & intentionally invest in your church family as we seek to grow in Christ, love like Christ & live for Christ. If you are interested in joining a GGC, please contact one of your elders. The Reed GGC meets Sunday evenings in Nobleboro. Sorterup GGC meets Wednesday evenings in Damariscotta. The Holladay GGC meets Thursday evenings in Bristol.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Who is God (what does this passage tell me about God's character)?
- 2. What has God done (how do I see God's character in action)?
- 3. Who am I (how does God's character and action shape how I see myself)?
- 4. What do I do (if I believe 1–3 how would I respond and relate to others)?

Notes:

Elders: Breck Holladay, Phil Nicewonger, Jeff Norton & Grant Sorterup

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