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CHRIST, LOVE LIKE CHRIST,
LIVE FOR CHRIST

GATHERED ON FEBRUARY 2, 2025

WELCOME / PRAYER OF INVOCATION

MY FAITH HAS FOUND A RESTING PLACE
Hymns of Grace, 404

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

SERMON: "PERSISTENT PRAYER"
LUKE 18:1-8

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.

JERUSALEM

Verse 1
See Him in Jerusalem,
Walking where the crowds are.
Once these streets had sung to Him,
Now they cry for murder.
Such a frail and lonely Man
Holding up the heavy cross.
See Him walking in Jerusalem
On the road to save us.

Verse 2
See Him there upon the hill,
Hear the scorn and laughter;
Silent as a lamb He waits,
Praying to the Father.
See the King who made the sun
And the moon and shining stars.
Let the soldiers hold and nail Him down,
So that He could save them.

Verse 3
See Him there upon the cross,
Now no longer breathing;
Dust that formed the watching crowds,
Takes the blood of Jesus.
Feel the earth is shaking now,
See the veil is split in two,
And He stood before the wrath of God,
Shielding sinners with His blood.

Verse 4
See the empty tomb today,
Death could not contain Him.
Once the Servant of the world,

Now in vict'ry reigning.
Lift your voices to the One,
Who is seated on the throne;
See Him in the New Jerusalem,
Praise the One who saved us!

Ending
Lift your voices to the One,
Who is seated on the throne;
See Him in the New Jerusalem,
Praise the One who saved us!
Praise the One who saved us!

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WONDERFUL, MERCIFUL SAVIOR
Hymns of Grace, 162

HOPE HAS A NAME

Verse 1
There is a song, I know it well,
A melody that's never failed.
On mountains high, in valleys low,
My soul will rest,
My confidence in You alone.

Chorus
Hope has a name; His name is Jesus.
My Savior's cross has set this sinner free.
Hope has a name; His name is Jesus.
Oh Christ be praised, I have victory.

Verse 2
There is a light, salvation's flame.
Christ, undefeated, trampled the grave.
See now the cross be lifted high.
The light has come, the light has won;
Behold the Christ.

Chorus
(Repeat)

Verse 3

There'll be a day, my hope complete,
Now home in glory, Your face I'll see.
My pain no more, my fear will cease.
I bow my life, I fix my eyes
On Christ my king.
I bow my life, I fix my eyes
On Christ my king.

Chorus
(Repeat)

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BENEDICTION

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- TODAY:** We would love to have you join us for our Fellowship Lunch following the morning worship service
 - Feb 9:** We would love to have you join us for our Fellowship Breakfast from 9–945 AM – please bring a dish to share
 - Feb 13:** Thrive, for students in 5th–12th grade, meets at the home of Richard & Chrissy Burns in Nobleboro from 630–8 PM
 - Feb 19:** Foundations class: we would love to have you join us for a 10-week study of Jonah – the morning class meets from 930–11 AM & evening class meets from 6–730 PM
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Read Ahead: Luke 18:9-17

General Info:

TVC Kids: 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 on the table in the East Hall for children Pre-K – 5th grade. Note sheets are also available for children in 5th – 8th grade.

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, feel free to do so; but please know that you are welcome to rejoin the service at any time.

Gospel Growth Communities (GGCs): 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. The Sorterup GGC meets Wednesday evenings in Damariscotta. The Holladay GGC meets Thursday evenings in Bristol. The Nicewonger GGC meets in the evening on the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month in Warren.

Discussion Questions:

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- 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)?

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