

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

GATHERED ON APRIL 27, 2025

WELCOME / PRAYER OF INVOCATION

OUR GREAT GOD Hymns of Grace, 42

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

SERMON: "THE AUTHORITY OF JESUS" LUKE 20:1–8

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.

FROM EVERLASTING (PSALM 90)

Verse 1

O God, before the mountains were brought forth Or days of spring and summer filled the earth, From everlasting, You are God.

Verse 2 We dwell beneath the stars in ancient skies. A thousand years are nothing in Your sight. From everlasting, You are God.

Chorus

And all our days are held within Your hands. Your perfect love and favor have no end. We rest within the wisdom of Your plan, Everlasting God.

Verse 3

O God, when joy and tragedy collide And loss reminds us life is but a sigh, From everlasting, You are God.

Chorus

And all our days are held within Your hands. Your perfect love and favor have no end. We rest within the wisdom of Your plan, Everlasting God.

Verse 4

O God of light, our ways are known to You, But by Your grace You're making all things new. So satisfy us in our numbered days, Establish every effort while we wait. From everlasting, You are God.

Chorus

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GOD SO LOVED

Verse 1 Come all you weary, Come all you thirsty. Come to the well that never runs dry. Drink of the water, Come and thirst no more.

Verse 2 Come all you sinners, Come find His mercy. Come to the table; He will satisfy. Taste of His goodness, Find what you're looking for.

Chorus For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us. Whoever believes in Him will live forever.

Verse 3 Bring all your failures, Bring your addictions. Come lay them down at the foot of the cross. Jesus is waiting there With open arms.

Chorus

For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us. Whoever believes in Him will live forever. The power of hell forever defeated. Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom. For God so loved, God so loved the world.

Bridge

Praise God, praise God From whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, praise Him For the wonders of His love. (Repeat)

Chorus

For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us. Whoever believes in Him will live forever. The power of hell forever defeated. Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom. For God so loved, God so loved the world.

Verse 4 Bring all your failures, Bring your addictions. Come lay them down at the foot of the cross. Jesus is waiting, God so loved the world.

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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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BENEDICTION

Apr 29:	Morning prayer from 7-745 AM
Apr 30:	Foundations classes meet from 930–11 AM & from 630–8 PM
May 4:	We would love to have you join us for a Fellowship Lunch following the service - please bring a dish to share
May 10:	We would love to have you join us in opening Cottage in the Woods for the 2025 season. The fun starts at 9 AM

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 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.

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