



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

**SUNDAY, JULY 23, 2023**

**WELCOME / PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

**COME PRAISE AND GLORIFY**  
Hymns of Grace, 44

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

**SERMON: "THE UNIQUENESS OF THE GOSPEL"**  
LUKE 5:27-39

**COMMUNION**

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**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.

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**THERE IS ONE GOSPEL**

Verse 1  
There is one Gospel on which I stand  
For all eternity.  
It is my story, my Father's plan,  
The Son has rescued me.  
Oh, what a Gospel, oh what a peace.  
My highest joy and my deepest need.  
Now and forever, He is my light.  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Verse 2  
There is one Gospel to which I cling,  
All else I count as loss.  
For there, where justice and mercy meet,  
He saved me on the cross.  
No more I boast in what I can bring,  
No more I carry the weight of sin.  
For He has brought me from death to life.  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Verse 3  
There is one Gospel where hope is found,  
The empty tomb still speaks.  
For death could not keep my Savior down,  
He lives and I am free.  
Now on my Savior I fix my eyes,  
My life is His and His hope is mine.  
For He has promised I too will rise.  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Verse 4  
And in this Gospel, the church is one,  
We do not walk alone.  
We have His Spirit as we press on  
To lead us safely home.

And when in glory still I will sing  
Of this old story that rescued me.  
Praise to my Savior, the King of life.  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Ending  
And when in glory still I will sing  
Of this old story that rescued me.  
Praise to my Savior, the King of life.  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.  
Praise to my Savior, the King of life.  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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**JUST AS I AM**

Verse 1  
Just as I am, without one plea  
But that Thy Blood was shed for me,  
And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

Verse 2  
Just as I am and waiting not  
To rid my soul of one dark blot,  
To Thee Whose Blood can cleanse each spot,  
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

Verse 3  
Just as I am Thou wilt receive,  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve.  
Because Thy Promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

Verse 4  
Just as I am, though tossed about  
With many a conflict, many a doubt,  
Fightings and fears within, without,  
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

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**ALL I HAVE IS CHRIST**  
Hymns of Grace, 389

**BENEDICTION**

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- Giving:** If you feel led to give to the ministry of TVC, there is an offering box in the back of the sanctuary or online giving is available
  
  - July 30:** Church picnic at Cottage in the Woods following the morning worship service. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.
  
  - Aug 6:** We would love to have you join us for our Fellowship Lunch after the worship service. Please bring a dish to share
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**Read Ahead:** Luke 6:1–11 [Matthew 12:1–14; Mark 2:23–28, 3:1–6]

**General Info:**

TVC Kids: 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.

We strive for family integrated worship & want to encourage parents to keep their children in the sanctuary or East Hall for worship. However, 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. There is a kid friendly area in the downstairs Fellowship Hall,

geared for children ages 0–4 years old, that can be used by families who have children that may need to get some wiggles out. Please know that you are welcome to rejoin the service at any time.

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

Gospel Growth Communities (GGCs): GGCs are just one way you can purposefully and 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. The Norton GGC meets Thursday evenings in Bremen.

**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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