

August 22, 2021

*This is the day that the LORD has made,  
let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24*

**Prelude**

*Selection by CE*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

Ps. 77:11-15  
ESV

<sup>11</sup> I will remember the deeds of the Lord; yes, I will remember your wonders of old. <sup>12</sup> I will ponder all your work, and meditate on your mighty deeds. <sup>13</sup> Your way, O God, is holy. What god is great like our God? <sup>14</sup> You are the God who works wonders; you have made known your might among the peoples. <sup>15</sup> You with your arm redeemed your people, the children of Jacob and Joseph.

**\*Hymn of Praise**

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

No. 53

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!

All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near, join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!

Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee!

Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;

ponder anew what the Almighty will do, if with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee,  
decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.  
How oft in grief hath not He brought thee relief, spreading His wings to o'er-shade  
thee!

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!  
Let the amen sound from His people again; gladly fore'er we adore Him!

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### **\*Prayer of Invocation**

#### **Scripture Reading**

**Gen 44:1-17**

#### **Prayer of Confession**

Gracious Heavenly Father, we thank you for the grace that has been given to us in Christ Jesus. In him, you have enriched us in knowledge and wisdom. Yet like Lot's wife, and the people in Noah's day, we confess that we are ill-prepared for the coming of your kingdom. Humble us, we pray, that we might live in accordance with this knowledge of your coming, and that we would be found working hard for your good when you do come again or call us home. Let us choose the folly of God over the wisdom of the world. Let us choose the weakness of God over the power of the world. Let us boast, not in ourselves, but in Christ. We pray in His name. Amen.

#### **Assurance of Pardoning Grace**

Ps. 77:19-20  
ESV

<sup>19</sup> Your way was through the sea, your path through the great waters; yet your footprints were unseen. <sup>20</sup> You led your people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Father;  
there is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;  
as Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

**REFRAIN:**

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided.  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. **REFRAIN**

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! **REFRAIN**

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**WSC 51-52**

**Q. 51. What is forbidden in the second commandment?**

A. The second commandment forbiddeth the worshipping of God by images, or any other way not appointed in his word.

**Q. 52. What are the reasons annexed to the second commandment?**

A. The reasons annexed to the second commandment are, God's sovereignty over us, his propriety in us, and the zeal he hath to his own worship.

**Prayer of Intercession**

## Offering

Special Music: *Amazing Grace*

Arg. Erickson & Gretzinger

### \*Doxology

No. 731

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

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### \*Hymn of Preparation

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

No. 92

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;  
our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.  
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;  
His craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate,  
on earth is not His equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;  
were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing.  
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He,  
Lord Sabaoth His name, from age to age the same,  
and He must win the battle.

And though this world with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,  
we will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us.  
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;  
his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure;  
one little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth;  
the Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth.  
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;  
the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still;  
His kingdom is forever.



Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things hath done, in whom His world rejoices;  
who from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
with ever-joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;  
and keep us in His grace, and guide us when perplexed,  
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,  
the Son, and Him who reigns with them in highest heaven,  
the one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore;  
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

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**\*Benediction**

**\*Gloria Patri**

No. 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.

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**Postlude**

*Selection by CE*

**\* Congregation:** Please stand as able.

**Piano, Organ, Guitar**

**Guitar**

**Intercessory Prayer**

Chris Erickson

Liam Gretzinger

Yon Lindborg

## Weekly Calendar

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUN 8/22	10:30 AM		<b>Worship Service</b>
SUN 8/29	10:30 AM		<b>Worship Service</b>
WED 9/1	6:00 PM		<b>Family Night</b>
SUN 9/5	10:30 AM		<b>Worship Service- LORD's Supper Officer Nominations</b>
THUR 9/9	6:30 PM		<b>Men's Study</b>
SUN 9/12	9:30 AM 10:30 AM 5:30 PM		<b>Sunday School Worship Service Annual Hayride</b>

### Serving the Lord

	8/22	8/29	9/5	9/12	9/19	9/16
<b>AM Nursery</b>	Felicia	Kathleen	Yon	Lorrie	Felicia	Kathleen
<b>Greeters</b>	Martha	Lash Fam	Alice	Phyllis	Cherie Lee	Dar
<b>Treats</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Serve/Cleanup</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Audio</b>	Joel Tummond	Josh Alderson	Grayden Lash	Jim Martin	Ben Armstrong	Forrest Carleton
<b>Elder of the Week</b>	Lindborg	Gretzinger	Hrivnak	Lindborg	Gretzinger	Lindborg
<b>Deacon of the Week</b>	Jason	Jim	Jason	Jim	Jason	Jim
<b>Communion Prep</b>	N/A	N/A	Sep 9/5- Lindborg	N/A	N/A	Oct 10/3 – Hrivnak

## Announcements

- **Recruiting Sunday School Teachers:** We are still in need of at least one more teacher for youth. Please contact Lorrie in person or by email at [Lorrie@jimandlorrie.com](mailto:Lorrie@jimandlorrie.com)
- **Friendship Families:** Friendship Families is a ministry of several local churches in which families or individuals are matched with an incoming international student at Valparaiso University. This is a great way to show the love of Christ to students from all over the world! Consider being a part of this ministry! It involves getting together a few times each semester with your student(s). Several families in the church have done this in past years. Please see Bruce or Lucy Hrivnak (219 628-1854) if you are interested or have questions.
- **Wednesday Sep 1 Family Night:** We're excited to open this new chapter of fellowship, Christian education, and prayer at GSPC. Once a month we'll be meeting together as a church family to share a meal, to share our prayer requests, and to spend time together praying. Dinner will be available to you when you arrive and after that we will have a short Bible exposition related to the topic of prayer, followed by a time of prayer together. Children and teens will be dismissed for age-appropriate instruction, followed by various activities. Please sign-up if you plan to attend.
- **Men's Bible Study:** The men's Bible Study is going to start back up on Thursday September 9th at 6:30PM. If you didn't receive an email this week about it please let Jason Lash or Jim Martin know so we can get your email address added to the list. We will be using the book Hebrews For You by Michael J. Kruger. We hope everyone can attend this time of fellowship together.
- **Ladies Bible Study:** This year we will do a study on the book of Hebrews. It is here that we read, among many other things, of the supremacy and the sufficiency of Christ. We will be using the same book as the men's study! If you are interested, please sign up on the form on the welcome desk in the narthex, indicating morning/evening as well as preferences for the day of the week.
- **Annual Hayride:** The Lindborg's will host the annual hayride at their farm September 12 at 5:30 PM. Bring your own meat and buns, hotdog sticks, chairs, bug repellent and friends. There is a food signup sheet. Lemonade, apple cider, condiments, and tableware will be provided.