



Sunday, March 21, 2021 at 10:45 A.M.  
Fifth Sunday in Lent -- The Promise of Purpose

## GATHERING

### PRELUDE

### *This is Amazing Grace*

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness  
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger  
The King of Glory the King above all kings  
Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder  
Who leaves us breathless in awe and wonder  
The King of Glory the King above all kings

### *Chorus*

**This is amazing grace  
This is unfailing love  
That You would take my place  
That You would bear my cross  
You laid down Your life  
That I would be set free  
Jesus, I sing for  
All that You've done for me**

**Who brings our chaos back into order  
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter  
The King of Glory the King of Glory**

**Who rules the nations with truth and justice  
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance  
The King of Glory the King above all kings**

*Chorus*

**Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave  
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Worthy is the King who conquered the grave  
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy, worthy, worthy**

*Chorus*

## **WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER**

**GATHERING SONGS:     *I Could Sing of Your Love Forever***

**Over the mountains and the sea,  
Your river runs with love for me,  
And I will open up my heart  
And let the healer set me free.  
I'm happy to be in the truth,  
And I will daily lift my hands:  
For I will always sing of when  
Your love came down**

*Chorus:* **I could sing of your love forever,  
I could sing of your love forever,  
I could sing of your love forever,  
I could sing of your love forever.**

**Oh, I feel like dancing  
It's foolishness I know;  
But when the world has seen the light,  
They will dance with joy,  
Like we're dancing now**

*Chorus*

## *In Christ Alone*

**In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my light, my strength, my song  
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease  
My Comforter, my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.**

**In Christ alone! - who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live.**

**No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.**

## **WORD**

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

## **SCRIPTURE – Jeremiah 31:31-34**

<sup>31</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD.

<sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Word of God. Word of Life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **SERMON**

***Rev. Robin K. Brown***  
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## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*You are invited to pray... through song, through silent reflection, through words, or anything else in between. May this song guide your prayers today. If you would like to lift prayers up so that others might pray, too, please do so in the comments section during our livestream worship.*

### *Waymaker*

**You are here, moving in our midst  
I worship You, I worship You  
You are here, working in this place  
I worship You, I worship You**

*Repeat*

*Chorus (sung twice):* **Way maker, miracle worker,  
Promise keeper, Light in the darkness  
My God, that is who You are**

**You are here, touching every heart  
I worship You, I worship You  
You are here, healing every heart  
I worship You, I worship You**

**You are here, turning lives around  
I worship You, I worship You  
You are here, mending every heart  
I worship You, I worship You**

*Chorus*

**You wipe away all tears  
You mend the broken heart  
You're the answer to it all**

**Jesus**

*Repeat*

*Chorus*

**You are here, touching every life  
I worship You, I worship You  
You are here, meeting every need  
I worship You, I worship You**

## MEAL

*We practice two sacraments in the Lutheran tradition: baptism and holy communion. These are celebrated in community, in public worship, where we can all participate and remember together: God is known for using ordinary earthly things (like water, bread, and wine) to make extraordinary promises (like forgiveness, salvation, healing and new life) to creation.*

*Today is a good reminder that this simple meal nourishes God's community across time and space. We would rather be with you in person for the sacrament today, but we trust Jesus to show up beyond our limitations, to meet us in this separation with a Spirit that unites, to feed us with the bread of life who is our source and strength.*

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

*We don't serve ourselves communion because there's something holy about that promise coming from outside our own bodies, a perfect declaration from God spoken to us by our neighbor: This is the body of Christ, given for you. This is the blood of Christ, poured out for you. If you are gathered together with others from your household, speak these words aloud when you serve each other. If you do not have someone in the room with you while you receive the sacrament, hear my voice as the external word of grace and invitation.*

**+ + *Receive the Meal* + +**

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*We pause for prayer and reflection, offering time to commune one another.*

## SENDING

### **OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BLESSING**

**SENDING SONG**

*Amazing Love (You Are My King)*

**I'm forgiven because You were forsaken  
I'm accepted, You were condemned  
I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me  
Because You died and rose again**

*Repeat*

**Amazing love, how can it be  
That You, my King, would die for me?  
Amazing love, I know it's true  
It's my joy to honor You**

*Repeat*

**In all I do, I honor You**

**You are my King... You are my King  
Jesus, You are my King... Jesus, You are my King**

**Amazing love, how can it be  
That You, my King, would die for me?  
Amazing love, I know it's true  
It's my joy to honor You  
In all I do, I honor You**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Dwell in God's promises.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Join us on ZOOM for Lenten midweek services, Wednesdays at 7pm.  
See you next week for worship at 5pm on Saturday  
and livestream at 8:45am & 10:45am on Sunday!*

*Plus... Celebrate Palm Sunday (March 28<sup>th</sup>) & Easter (April 4<sup>th</sup>)  
at 10:00am on the church lawn!!*



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