



# Contemporary Worship

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### Welcome and Greetings

### Here I Am to Worship

Light of the world  
You stepped down into darkness  
Opened my eyes, let me see  
Beauty that made this heart adore You  
Hope of a life spent with You

So here I am to worship  
Here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that You're my God  
And You're altogether lovely  
Altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days, oh so highly exalted  
Glorious in heaven above  
Humbly You came to the earth You created  
All for love's sake became poor

And I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin upon that cross  
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## Our Great God

Eternal God, unchanging  
Mysterious and unknown  
Your boundless love unfailing  
Grace and mercy shown  
Bright seraphim in ceaseless flight  
Around Your glorious throne  
They raise their voices day and night  
In praise to You alone

Hallelujah, glory be to our great God  
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Lord we are weak and frail  
Helpless in the storm  
Surround us with Your angels  
Hold us in Your arms  
Our cold and ruthless enemy  
His pleasure is our harm  
Rise up, O Lord, and he will flee  
Before our sov'reign God

Let ev'ry creature in the sea  
And ev'ry flying bird  
Let ev'ry mountain, ev'ry field  
And valley of the earth  
Let all the moons and all the stars  
In all the universe  
Sing praises to the living God  
Who rules them by His Word

## Invocation, Confession, and Absolution

### Highs & Lows

When it feels like the dark  
Lingers longer than the night  
When the shadows feel like giants  
Are You chasing me down

Tell me where could I run  
From Your light, where could I hide  
Hemmed within Your precious thoughts  
There's no hiding from Your love

Highs and lows  
Lord You're with me either way it goes  
Should I rise or should I fall, even so  
Lord Your mercy is an even flow  
You're too good to let me go

Should I dance on the heights  
Or make my bed among the depths  
Your mercy waits at ev'ry end  
Like You planned it from the start

Highs and lows  
Lord You're with me either way it goes  
Should I rise or should I fall, even so  
Lord Your mercy is an even flow  
Should I rise or should I fall  
You are faithful through it all  
You're too good to let me go

Should the dawn come with wings  
Or find me far-side of the sea  
There Your hand still fastens me  
Ever closer to Your heart, oh

Highs and lows  
You surround me either way it goes  
Should I rise or should I fall  
Lord You're with me through it all, oh  
Highs and lows  
In the rhythms of Your grace I know  
Should I rise or should I fall  
You are faithful through it all  
And You're too good to let me go

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## Old Testament Reading

## Psalm 147:1-11

- <sup>1</sup>Praise the Lord!  
For it is good to sing praises to our God;  
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.
- <sup>2</sup>The Lord builds up Jerusalem;  
he gathers the outcasts of Israel.
- <sup>3</sup>He heals the brokenhearted  
and binds up their wounds.
- <sup>4</sup>He determines the number of the stars;  
he gives to all of them their names.
- <sup>5</sup>Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;  
his understanding is beyond measure.
- <sup>6</sup>The Lord lifts up the humble;  
he casts the wicked to the ground.
- <sup>7</sup>Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;  
make melody to our God on the lyre!

<sup>8</sup>He covers the heavens with clouds;  
he prepares rain for the earth;  
he makes grass grow on the hills.  
<sup>9</sup>He gives to the beasts their food,  
and to the young ravens that cry.  
<sup>10</sup>His delight is not in the strength of the horse,  
nor his pleasure in the legs of a man,  
<sup>11</sup>but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him,  
in those who hope in his steadfast love.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

## 1 Corinthians 9:16–27

<sup>16</sup>If I preach the gospel, that gives me no ground for boasting. For necessity is laid upon me. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! <sup>17</sup>For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward, but not of my own will, I am still entrusted with a stewardship. <sup>18</sup>What then is my reward? That in my preaching I may present the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel.

<sup>19</sup>For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. <sup>20</sup>To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. <sup>21</sup>To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. <sup>22</sup>To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. <sup>23</sup>I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings.

<sup>24</sup>Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. <sup>25</sup>Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. <sup>26</sup>So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air.

<sup>27</sup>But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

**Pastor:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

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## **Holy Gospel**

**Mark 1:29–39**

**Pastor:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

**People:** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>29</sup>Immediately [Jesus] left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. <sup>30</sup>Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. <sup>31</sup>And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

<sup>32</sup>That evening at sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. <sup>33</sup>And the whole city was gathered together at the door. <sup>34</sup>And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

<sup>35</sup>And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed. <sup>36</sup>And Simon and those who were with him searched for him, <sup>37</sup>and they found him and said to him, "Everyone is looking for you." <sup>38</sup>And he said to them, "Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out." <sup>39</sup>And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** Praise to You, O Christ.

**Baptism: Alexi Hein**

## The 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.

## 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 by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## Children's Message

### Sermon: Hope in God

**Psalm 147:1-11**  
**Pastor Derek Klemm**

## Offering

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## Indescribable

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea  
Creation's revealing Your majesty  
From the colors of fall to the fragrance of spring  
Ev'ry creature unique in the song that it sings  
All exclaiming

Indescribable, uncontainable  
You placed the stars in the sky  
And You know them by name  
You are amazing God  
All powerful, untamable  
Awestruck we fall to our knees  
As we humbly proclaim  
You are amazing God

Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt where it should go  
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow  
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light  
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night  
None can fathom

Indescribable, uncontainable  
You placed the stars in the sky  
And You know them by name  
You are amazing God  
Incomparable, unchangeable  
You see the depths of my heart  
And You love me the same  
You are amazing God

## Prayer of the Church

### Benediction

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

People: Amen.

### Announcements

#### Your Love Never Fails

Nothing can separate, even if I ran away

Your love never fails

I know I still make mistakes but

You have new mercies for me ev'ryday

Your love never fails

You stay the same through the ages

Your love never changes

There may be pain in the night

But joy comes in the morning

And when the oceans rage

I don't have to be afraid

Because I know that You love me

Your love never fails

The wind is strong and the water's deep

But I'm not alone here in these open seas

Your love never fails

The chasm is far too wide

I never thought I'd reach the other side

Your love never fails



You make all things work together for my good  
You make all things work together for my good

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## **Dismissal**

**Pastor:** Go in peace and serve the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

## **Communion**

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