

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 7, 2022

10 am

GATHERING TO PRAISE GOD

Preservice Music

Northside Chapel Praise Band

Prelude

Andy Potts

Welcome

Call to Worship (*responsively*)

Dear friends, this is love:

Not that we loved God, but that God loved us

and sent the Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. (1 John 4:10)

Let us give thanks and praise to God,

who loves us without condition

and loved us fully in Jesus Christ

before we could ever love Him.

Opening Hymn

O How I Love Jesus

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Verse 1

There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth

It sounds like music in my ear, the sweetest name on earth

Refrain

O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus | O how I love Jesus, because He first loved me!

Verse 2

It tells me of a Savior's love, who died to set me free

It tells me of His precious blood, the sinner's perfect plea (**Refrain**)

Verse 3

It tells of one whose loving heart can feel my deepest woe

Who in each sorrow bears a part that none can bear below (**Refrain**)

Opening Prayer (*unison*)

Eternal God, You know us completely. You see all the parts of us that we would rather keep hidden, and You love us anyway. We are amazed by this love, which You give to us so freely, without requiring us to change a thing. And yet, it's that same love that makes it possible for us to become the truest versions of ourselves - to be the people You created us to be.

As we worship today, help us to understand Your love more fully, so that we might be changed by it and become living reflections of that love to all those around us. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

A Message for Young Disciples

Proclamation and Response

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Old Testament Reading

Exodus 3:1-15 (NRSV)

³ Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness and came to Mount Horeb,[a] the mountain of God. ² There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. ³ Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight and see why the bush is not burned up." ⁴ When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." ⁵ Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." ⁶ He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

⁷ Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, ⁸ and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and spacious land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹ The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰ Now go, I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." ¹¹ But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" ¹² He said, "I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

¹³ But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" ¹⁴ God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." [b] He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" ¹⁵ God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD,[c] the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you':

This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

Gospel Reading

John 8:12 (NRSV)

¹² Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Anthem

You Say

Hailey Williams

B. Norman / J. Ingram / M. Donehey / P. Mabury / L. Daigle

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Message

Movies on Main: Moana

Susan Harry

Thanksgiving and Communion

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Holy Communion

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. Amen.

Communion Songs

Meet Him at the Table

Chancel Singers

K. Dearman | D. Dearman | N. Gordon | arr. R. Kingsmore

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Receiving the Bread & Cup

Prayer After Communion

Closing Song

Who You Say I Am

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Verse 1

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me
I was lost but he brought me in, oh his love for me | Oh his love for me

Chorus 1

Who the Son sets free oh is free indeed | I'm a child of God, yes I am

Verse 2

Free at last he has ransomed me | His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin Jesus died for me | Yes he died for me

Chorus 1

Who the Son sets free oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God, yes I am

Chorus 2

In my Father's house there's a place for me
I'm a child of God, yes I am

Bridge

I am chosen not forsaken
I am who You say I am
You are for me, not against me
I am who You say I am

Chorus 1**Chorus 2****Tag**

I am who You say I am

Sending Forth**Benediction****Postlude**

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