

Gala Days Community Worship
Lytton, IA
Sunday, May 28, 2023 – 10:30 am

Gathering **“Happy Day”**

The greatest day in history
Death is beaten, You have rescued me
Sing it out, Jesus is alive
The empty cross, the empty grave
Life eternal, You have won the day
Shout it out, Jesus is alive
He's alive

Chorus

Oh, happy day, happy day
You washed my sin away
Oh, happy day, happy day
I'll never be the same
Forever I am changed

When I stand in that place
Free at last, meeting face to face
I am yours, Jesus, You are mine
Endless joy, perfect peace
Earthly pain finally will cease
Celebrate, Jesus is alive
He's alive

Chorus

Bridge

Oh, what a glorious day. What a glorious way
That You have saved me
And oh, what a glorious day. What a glorious name. Hey, hey!

Chorus

Music **“Build Your Kingdom Here”**

Come set your rule and reign
In our hearts again
Increase in us we pray
Unveil why we're made
Come set our hearts ablaze in full
Like wild fire in our very soul
Holy Spirit come invade us now

We are your church
We need your power - In us

We seek Your kingdom first
We hunger and we thirst
Refuse to waste our lives
For You're our joy and prize
To see the captive hearts released
The hurt; the sick; The poor at peace
We lay down our lives for Heaven's cause

We are your church
We pray revive - This Earth

Chorus:
Build Your kingdom here
Let the darkness fear
Show Your mighty hand
Heal our streets and land
Set Your church on fire
Win this nation back
Change the atmosphere
Build Your kingdom here
We pray

Unleash You kingdom's power
Reaching the near and far
No force of hell can stop
Your beauty changing hearts
You made us for much more than this
Awake the kingdom seed in us
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ
We are your church
We are the hope - on Earth

Chorus

"Come, Now Is the Time to Worship"

Come, now is the time to worship
Come, now is the time to give your heart
Come, just as you are to worship
Come, just as you are before your God
Come

One day every tongue will confess you are God

One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains for those
Who gladly choose You now

Come, now is the time to worship
Come, now is the time to give your heart
Come, just as you are to worship
Come, just as you are before your God
Come

Willingly we come to surrender our lives
Willingly our knees will bow
With all our heart, soul, mind and strength
We gladly serve you now

Come, now is the time to worship
Come, now is the time to give your heart
Come, just as you are to worship
Come, just as you are before your God
Come

Welcome

Song **“O Day Full of Grace” – LBW 161**

O day full of grace that now we see Appearing on earth's horizon,
Bring light from our God that we may be Replete in his joy this season.
God, shine for us now in this dark place; Your name on our hearts emblazon.

O day full of grace, O blessed time, Our Lord on the earth arriving;
Then came to the world that light sublime, Great joy for us all retrieving;
For Jesus all mortals did embrace, All darkness and shame removing.

For Christ bore our sins, and not his own, When he on the cross was hanging;
And then he arose and moved the stone, That we, unto him belonging,
Might join with angelic hosts to raise Our voices in endless singing.

God came to us then at Pentecost, His Spirit new life revealing,
That we might no more from him be lost, All darkness for us dispelling.
His flame will the mark of sin efface And bring to us all his healing.

When we on that final journey go That Christ is for us preparing,
We'll gather in song, our hearts aglow, All joy of the heavens sharing
And walk in the light of God's own place, With angels his name adoring.

Litany of Community

P: God, today we give thanks for the good gift of Your Holy Spirit, our helper.

C: Come Holy Spirit.

The Spirit of God present among us.

Come Holy Spirit.

As on the day of Pentecost, when Your spirit rested on Your followers as tongues of fire,

Rest on us now, Oh God

As they were filled with the spirit and began to speak and prophesy,

Fill us now, Oh God.

Just as Jesus promised, just as the Father has promised,

The Spirit of the Lord is upon us,

Empowering us to proclaim good news to the poor

Release for prisoners

To exchange beauty for ashes

Joy for mourning

A spirit of praise instead of despair.

Come Holy Spirit.

We are your church, your body on earth, who trust in the Resurrected Christ,

And in the Holy Spirit of God, here with us now.

Amen

Readings Acts 2:1-21

Psalm 104:25-35, 37

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b Day of Pentecost May 28, 2023

(verses 25-35, 37 in LBW green hymnal)

O LORD, how manifold art your works!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number,

creatures both small and great.

There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan,

which you have made for the sport of it.

All of them look to you

to give them their food in due season.

You give it to them; they gather it;

you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

You hide your face and they are terrified;

you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.

You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;

and so you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the LORD endure forever;

may the LORD rejoice in all his works.

He looks at the earth and it trembles;

he touches the mountains and they smoke.

I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;

I will praise my God while I have my being.

I will rejoice in the LORD.

May these words of mine please God.

I will rejoice in the LORD.

Bless the LORD, O my soul.

Hallelujah!

1 Corinthians 12:3-13

Gospel John 20:19-23

Message

Song **"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky" – WOV 752**

"I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in deepest sin my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Who shall I send?"

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

"I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away,
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"

Refrain

"I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

Refrain

Prayers of Intercession

P: Lord, in your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer.

Offering Prayer

P: Lord God, you have blessed us in our separate and communal lives. Bless the gifts we give that they might serve your purposes in this world that you love. **Amen**

Confession and Absolution

P: We come to God knowing that there are things that we do or fail to do which hurt other people, ourselves, and God. But when we confess our sins, God promises to forgive us.

C: Merciful God, we make mistakes, we do things we shouldn't, sometimes by accident, but also on purpose. In our thoughts, we have been uncharitable. And in our relationships, we have hurt others and you. Forgive us. Help us to die to ourselves and

seek reconciliation. Reassure us that, in Christ, we are forgiven.

P: People of God, Jesus died and was raised for people like us. He loves the unlovable. He heals the hurting. And he died not just for people like us, but for each of you in particular. For his sake, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all of your sins. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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 today 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.

Communion Hymn **Lord, I Need You**

Verse 1

Lord, I come, I confess
Bowing here I find my rest
Without You I fall apart
You're the One that guides my heart

Chorus

Lord, I need You, Oh, I need You
Every hour I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You

Verse 2

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are, Lord, I am free
Holiness is Christ in me

Bridge

Teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus, You're my hope and stay

Chorus

Lord, I need You, Oh, I need You
Every hour I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You

Distribution

Communion Blessing

Song **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 (2X)

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

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken
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I'm alive and well, Your spirit is within me
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Amazing love, how can it be
That You, my King, would die for me
Amazing love, I know it's true
And it's my joy to honor You
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You are my King
You are my King
Jesus, You are my King
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
And it's my joy to honor You
In all I do, I honor You
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Blessing

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you.
May the Lord make his face shine on you
and be merciful to you.
May the Lord grant you his favor and give you his peace. Amen.

Table Grace

**Be present at our table Lord.
Be here and everywhere adored.
These mercies bless and grant that we
may feast in paradise with thee. Amen.**

Dismissal

P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God!

Bulletin Announcements
May 28, 2023

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Worship Attendants: Worship & Music Committee
Musicians: Brian and Kari Lantz, Ben and Faith Worley
Lay Reader: Pastor Ben Worley
Presiding: Pastor Ben Worley
speaker: Pastor John Sersland



THIS WEEK AT EMANUEL-ST. JOHN

SUNDAY, May 28th

9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Class
10:30 a.m. Ecumenical Outdoor Gala Day Worship with Holy Communion
Please join us for dinner in the dining hall following this worship service. Freewill donation with proceeds to Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

MONDAY, May 29th

7:30 a.m. Men's Group

THURSDAY, June 1st

8:00 a.m. Prayer Group

SUNDAY, June 4th

9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Class
10:00 a.m. Outdoor Worship weather permitting



Prayer concerns: Our prayers are with the following people with ongoing health concerns: Nelma Byriel, Joleen Harmon, Jane Loux, Carol Ross, and Jim Willis...We remember also our homebound & nursing home members: Joleen Harmon, Mildred Purdie, Carol Ross and Gracia Willis...We pray for all affected by COVID-19 locally and throughout the world...We pray for the

peace of Jerusalem... We pray for America: that God would guide us through troubled times, renewing our faith in Him and respect for one another...We pray for the safety and well-being of all law enforcement personnel and first responders...And for our Nation and the men and women serving in the armed forces at home and abroad especially Shiloh Meyer, Hannah Hildreth and Joseph Schrage.

Members celebrating their birthday this week:

May 29 Ben Albright, Charles Nattress

May 31 Tonya Lankford

June 1 Alan Meyer

June 3 Rob Fry, Derek Greene

Members celebrating their anniversary this week:

May 31, 1997 Tony & Amy Hammen

June 2, 2014 Donald & Emily Bailey

June 2, 1962 **LeRoy & Rhonda Johnson**

June 3, 2016 Austin & Nancy Aden

Get registered for the 2023 SMCH 2-mile Fun Run: www.getmeregistered.com/smcn2mile.

All registration fees include a t-shirt, but only those that pre-register by end of day May 31 will have their shirts available BEFORE the event. Pre-registered participant shirts can be picked up in the SMCH Gift Shoppe the week of June 19.

Kids aged 9 and under are invited to participate in the KID'S DASH at 8:15 – sign up that day!

Questions and concerns can be directed to SMCH Nutrition Services Director Casey Wetter at (712) 464-4182 or cwetter@stewartmemorial.org.

Check the bulletin board in narthex for further information.