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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

Leader: God's love is a permanent gift which can never be taken from us.

People: Jesus has made that love forever ours through his death on the cross.

Leader: There are still strong powers of evil in our world; but they cannot separate us from God's love.

People: We are certain that God gives us victory over all these powers, keeping us in his love through Christ Jesus our Lord.

Leader: Almighty God, whose love in Christ can never be taken away from us by any worldly power:

Unison: Deepen our faith in Christ, that his victory on the cross may become our victory over sin and evil.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Loving Lord, we are concerned with being accepted into your Kingdom. But we also enjoy the fine pleasures and possessions of this world. Forgive us when we take for granted our entrance into your kingdom while we invest in this world's attractions. Convince us of the choice we must make of surrendering all for the sake of your Kingdom; that we may not be led astray, thinking we can have the best of two worlds. Forgive us for our pride, our stubbornness, our disobedience, our rebelliousness, and our forgetfulness of your redeeming love. Heal our brokenness with your forgiveness and mercy poured out on our behalf by your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Gracious God, your mercy far exceeds the magnitude of our sinfulness: As You wash away our sins with your forgiving love, may we know and feel that we have been renewed to life, and redeemed from death, by the blood of the Lamb, Jesus our Lord. Praise be to You, O God of our Salvation.

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OPENING SONG:

“Bless The Lord, O My Soul”

Matt Redman

Bless the Lord oh my soul
Oh my soul
Worship His Holy name
Sing like never before
Oh my soul
I'll worship Your Holy name

The sun comes up
It's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass
And whatever lies before me
Let me be singing
When the evening comes

Bless the Lord oh my soul
Oh my soul
Worship His Holy name
Sing like never before
Oh my soul
I'll worship Your Holy name

You're rich in love
And You're slow to anger
Your name is great
And Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness
I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons
For my heart to find

Bless the Lord oh my soul
Oh my soul
Worship His Holy name
Sing like never before
Oh my soul
I'll worship Your Holy name
Bless You Lord

And on that day
When my strength is failing
The end draws near
And my time has come
Still my soul will
Sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years
And then forevermore
Forevermore

Bless the Lord oh my soul
Oh my soul
Worship His Holy name
Sing like never before
Oh my soul
I'll worship Your Holy name

Bless the Lord oh my soul
Oh my soul
Worship His Holy name
Sing like never before
Oh my soul
I'll worship Your Holy name
Yes I'll worship Your Holy name
I'll worship Your Holy name

Sing like never before
Oh my soul
I'll worship Your Holy name
Jesus I will worship Your Holy name
Worship Your Holy name

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SCRIPTURE LESSON: Matthew 14:13-21

SERMON: "Satisfy the Hunger"

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HYMN: "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" *Helen Howarth Lemmel*

O soul are you weary and troubled?
No light in the darkness you see?
There's light for a look at the Savior
And life more abundant and free

Turn you eyes upon Jesus
Look full in His wonderful face
And the things of earth will grow
strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace

Through death into life everlasting
He passed, and we follow Him there
Over us sin no more hath dominion
For more than conquerors we are

Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in His wonderful face
And the things of earth will grow
strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace

His word shall not fail you, He promised
Believe Him and all will be well
Then go to a world that is dying
His perfect salvation to tell

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Look full in His wonderful face
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

DOXOLOGY

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CLOSING HYMN:

“Satisfied”

Chris Tomlin

I count my blessings one by one
Your goodness in my life
How could I ask for more?
In You, I'm satisfied

All the mountains that I ascend
They leave me empty time and time again
I fix my eyes on this reward
The world behind me now and You before

I count my blessings one by one
Your goodness in my life
How could I ask for more?
In You, I'm satisfied
If You are all I have
I know that I will find
That You are all I need
In You, I'm satisfied

So let my life be freely spent
For what only, only You can give
My richest gain I count as loss
When I survey the wonder of the cross

I count my blessings one by one
Your goodness in my life
How could I ask for more?
In You, I'm satisfied
If You are all I have
I know that I will find
That You are all I need
In You, I'm satisfied...

BENEDICTION