

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 12, 2021 10:30 a.m.

As We Gather:

Today's culture seems divided like never before. People are growing weary as the divisiveness results in increased levels of anxiety, isolation, and loneliness. Today's Gospel lesson from John points us to Jesus' heart to find unity among His people in hopes that we will experience the same unity that Christ has with His father. The longing for identity, belonging and community are found through Christ and His Church! Oh, what joy to be part of the great multitude that no one could number, worshiping as one saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Rev. 7:12



The Father's House by Ben Hastings, Cory Asbury, Ethan Hulse

Sometimes on this journey I get lost in my mistakes What looks to me like weakness Is a canvas for Your strength My story isn't over my story's just begun Failure won't define me 'Cause that's what my Father does Failure won't define me 'Cause that's what my Father does

Chorus

Oo lay your burdens down Oo here in the Father's house Check your shame at the door 'Cause it ain't welcome anymore Oo you're in the Father's house

Arrival's not the endgame The journey's where You are
You never wanted perfect You just wanted my heart
And the story isn't over If the story isn't good
Failure's never final When the Father's in the room
Chorus

Bridge Prodigals come home the helpless find hope Love is on the move When the Father's in the room Prison doors fling wide the dead come to life Love is on the move When the Father's in the room Miracles take place the cynical find faith Love is breaking through When the Father's in the room Jericho walls are quaking Strongholds now are shaking Love is breaking through When the Father's in the room Love is breaking through When the Father's in the room Chorus

Welcome

Invocation

Opening Versicles Psalm 118:24; Psalm 113:3; Psalm 84:1-4, 10; Psalm 25:4; John 17:17

Pastor: This is the day which the Lord has made;

People: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Pastor: From the rising of the sun to its setting, **People:** the name of the Lord is to be praised.

Pastor: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

People: My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord;

My hear and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Pastor: Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself,

where she may lay her young, at your altars, O lord of hosts, My

King and my God.

People: Blessed are those who dwell in your house,

ever singing your praise!

Pastor: For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere;

People: I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than

dwell in the tents of the wicked.

Pastor: Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

People: Teach me Your paths.

Pastor: Sanctify us in Your truth. **People: Your Word is truth.**

Pastor: From the rising of the sun to its setting, **People:** the name of the Lord is to be praised.

House Of The Lord by Jonathan Smith, Phil Wickham

We worship the God who was We worship the God who is We worship the God who evermore will be He opened the prison doors He parted the raging sea My God He holds the victory yeah

Chorus 1

There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
And we won't be quiet We shout out Your praise
There's joy in the house of the Lord
Our God is surely in this place
And we won't be quiet We shout out Your praise

Interlude

Oh oh oh We shout out Your praise

We sing to the God who heals
We sing to the God who saves
We sing to the God who always makes a way
'Cause He hung up on that cross
Then He rose up from that grave
My God's still rolling stones away

Bridge

('Cause) We were the beggars Now we're royalty We were the prisoners Now we're running free We are forgiven accepted Redeemed by His grace Let the house of the Lord sing praise

Interlude
There is joy in this house oh yeah
There is joy there is joy
And we won't be quiet
We're gonna shout out Your praise

Chorus 2

There's joy in the house of the Lord There's joy in the house of the Lord today We're gonna shout out Your praise There is joy There is joy surely in this place We won't be quiet We shout Your praise

Ending
We shout out Your praise There is joy in this house
There is joy in this house today
We shout out Your praise
We shout out Your praise

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: If You, O LORD, should mark iniquities, **People: O Lord, who could stand?** *Psalm 130:3*

Pastor: But with You there is forgiveness, **People: that You may be feared.** *Psalm 130:4*

Pastor: Hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love,

People: and with Him is plentiful redemption. Psalm 130:7

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

Pastor: For Your great name's sake, O Lord. . .

People: ...pardon our iniquity for it is great and cleanse us from the guilt of our sins. We have had thoughts, spoken words, and done deeds in disobedience to Your commands. Likewise, we have failed to think, to say, and to do those things which You have commanded us. We have sinned against You alone, and we do not deserve to be called Your sons and daughters. Nevertheless, we ask You not to hold these sins against us but to forgive us because Jesus Christ died

and rose again. Amen. [Psalm 25:11; 51:4; Luke 15:21]

Word of Forgiveness

Who You Say I Am by Ben Fielding and Reuben Morgan

Who am I that the highest King Would welcome me I was lost but He brought me in 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

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 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 and 2

Old Testament

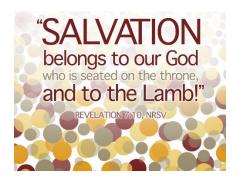
Genesis 2:18-25

¹⁸Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." ¹⁹So out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. ²¹So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man."

²⁴Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. ²⁵And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."



Revelation Song

by Jennie Lee Riddle

Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain Holy holy is He Sing a new song to Him Who sits on Heaven's mercy seat

Chorus

Holy holy Is the Lord God Almighty
Who was and is and is to come
With all creation I sing Praise to the King of kings
You are my ev'rything And I will adore You

Clothed in rainbows of living color
Flashes of lightning rolls of thunder
Blessing and honor strength and glory
And power be to You the only wise King Chorus

Filled with wonder awestruck wonder
At the mention of Your name
Jesus Your name is power breath and living water
Such a marv'lous mystery yeah Chorus

Holy Gospel John 17:20-26

²⁰[Jesus said:] "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, ²³I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. ²⁴Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

Nicene Creed

Reckless Love

by Caleb Culver, Cory Asbury and Ran Jackson

Before I spoke a word You were singing over me You have been so so good to me Before I took a breath You breathed Your life in me You have been so so kind to me

Chorus

(And) O the overwhelming never-ending reckless Love of God O it chases me down fights 'til I'm found Leaves the ninety-nine I couldn't earn it I don't deserve it Still You give Yourself away O the overwhelming never-ending reckless Love of God

When I was Your foe still Your love fought for me You have been so so good to me When I felt no worth You paid it all for me You have been so so kind to me

Chorus

Bridge

There's no shadow You won't light up
Mountain You won't climb up Coming after me
There's no wall You won't kick down
Lie You won't tear down
Coming after me (Repeat) Chorus

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How Deep The Father's Love For Us by Stuart Townend

How deep the Father's love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything
No gifts no pow'r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom

We Lift Our Hearts in Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Distribution Songs

Love Has A Name by Kim Walker-Smith, Ran Jackson, Ricky Jackson

There's a space in ev'ry beating heart There's a longing that reaches past the stars There's an answer to ev'ry question mark There's a name

There's a hope flowing through these veins There's a voice that echoes through the pain There's an ember ready for the flame There's a name

Pre-Chorus
We will fix our eyes on the One who overcame
We will stand in awe
Of the One who breaks the chains

Chorus 1 Love has a name Love has a name Jesus Love has a name Love has a name Jesus

There's a joy that triumphs over fear
There's a laughter that wipes away all tears
There's a presence that changes atmospheres
There's a name
Pre-Chorus and Chorus 1

Chorus 2
Vict'ry has a name
Vict'ry has a name Jesus
Joy has a name
Joy has a name Jesus

Bridge

The name that's lifted up forever
The name that shakes the earth
And shakes the heavens
The hope for ev'ry heart
The Savior of the world Jesus
Jesus Jesus Pre-Chorus

Chorus 3

Oh oh love has a name Love has a name Jesus
My vict'ry has a name Vict'ry has a name Jesus
Oh joy has a name Joy has a name Jesus
My hope has a name Hope has a name Jesus
Pre-Chorus

You were the Word at the beginning One with God the Lord Most High Your hidden glory in creation Now revealed in You our Christ

Chorus

What a beautiful Name it is
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

You didn't want heaven without us So Jesus You brought heaven down My sin was great Your love was greater What could separate us now

Chorus 2

What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Bridge

Death could not hold You
The veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again

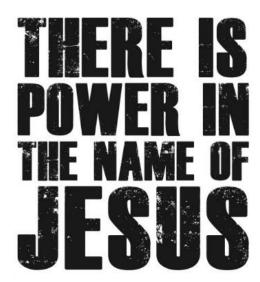
Bridge

You have no rival You have no equal Now and forever God You reign

Yours is the kingdom Yours is the glory Yours is the Name above all names

Chorus 3
What a powerful Name it is
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is The Name of Jesus

What a powerful Name it is The Name of Jesus What a powerful Name it is The Name of Jesus



Post Communion Prayer

The Blessing

Arise

by Lauren Daigle and The Emerging Sound

We as a church have a plea to stand together; In the name of unity to bring You honor. Bonded by Your hands we sing.

Chorus:

One body, One Spirit, we arise.
One hope, one faith, we arise.
By Your strength, Your pow'r,
Your love and grace we arise. Arise.

No fear will stand in our way; Our God is stronger. All Your saints will proclaim Your love forever. Bonded by Your hands we sing. Chorus

We stand as one, lifting up Your name. We stand as one, to give the highest praise. We stand as one, lifting up Your name. We stand as one, to give the highest praise.

Chorus



Worship Leaders: Pastor Brian E. Downs, Proclaiming Pastor

Pastor Chris A. Spelbring, Presiding Pastor

Elder on Duty: Ryan Schiffner

Praise Vocals/Band: Vocals: Donna Summers, Paige Esser Josh Davis; Band:

Josh Davis, acoustic; Jake Meyer, electric; Bill Heizer;

bass guitar; Chris Baron, set; Dawn Tayon, keys

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Communion

Those baptized and confirmed Christians who share our Lutheran confession of faith are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper with us. Since the Lord's Supper is a testimony of our unity in faith and love, those Christians of a different confession of faith who desire to receive the Sacrament are asked to speak with a Pastor before worship. All are welcome to come to the altar and receive a blessing. The desire to receive a blessing can be indicated by crossing arms over the chest and keeping hands folded. For further discussion and a guide to self-examination before communion, see the Holy Communion Guide in the pew pocket.

Communion in the Pew

Please notify an usher if you would like to be served communion in the pew.

Care Needed During Worship

Should you or anyone with you today experience a health-related problem, look for someone wearing a yellow lanyard/nametag (seated on the center aisle left side as you exit sanctuary). They have specialized training to assist you.

Nursery Available

Children are welcome in worship here at Zion but if a little one (or their parent) needs a short break the church lobby is available for walking and comforting. The nursery is located to the left as you exit the sanctuary if you should need a quiet space. Diaper changing stations are located in the handicapped stalls of the restrooms.