

Gathered Worship



RESTORATION COMMUNITY CHURCH

We exist to pursue the restoration of people, communities, and cultures in the greater St. Louis area and the world through the transforming power of the Gospel.

WELCOME TO RESTORATION COMMUNITY CHURCH

We are glad that you found your way here today. We believe that corporate worship is the central event in our church's life together and that it restores and shapes our whole lives in the pattern of the gospel of Jesus Christ. In worship, God gathers us together to serve us and strengthen us, and we have the great privilege to respond to him with our praise, thanks, confession, and commitment.

*Please help us connect you by texting your name and email address to **314.722.6212** or by filling out and putting the **Communication Card** located in the seat back in front of you into the offering plate during the offering (found on page 4).*

Here are some options if you have children:

- 1. Today is a Family Worship Sunday, so we invite you to keep your children with you through the entire worship service.** Many of our families see worship as one of the most unifying times of their week as a family. If your children are a bit wiggly or make a little noise, don't worry; it will not bother us!
- 2. Leave children under age three with our capable nursery workers during all or part of the service.** We have two rooms for nursery: 23 mos. and under are in Room 107, while 24 mos. and up are in Room 102.
- 3. If you have an infant or young child and need a little extra space, please feel free to use our Family Room.** Parents are welcome to use this room (located in the rear of the Sanctuary near the sound booth) where they will be able to continue listening to the service.

SONG OF PREPARATION

Jesus Shall Reign

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does his successive journeys run
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore
'til moons shall wax and wane no more

Blessings abound where'er he reigns
The pris'ner leaps to lose his chains
The weary find eternal rest
And all the sons of want are blest

Where he displays his healing power
Death and the curse are known no more
In him the tribes of Adam boast
More blessings than their father lost

Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honors to our King
Angels descend with songs again
And earth repeat the loud Amen

Text: Isaac Watts, 1719, Tune: John Hatton, 1793

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP *from Hebrews 12:2-3*

This morning's liturgy is led by Seminarian Joseph Tee.

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of God.

WE PRAISE GOD

All to Us

Precious cornerstone sure foundation
You are faithful to the end
We are waiting on you, Jesus
We believe you're all to us (2X)

REFRAIN Let the glory of your name
Be the passion of the Church
Let the righteousness of God
Be a holy flame that burns
Let the saving love of Christ
Be the measure of our lives
We believe you're all to us

Only Son of God sent from heaven
Hope and mercy at the cross
You are ev'rything
You're the promise
Jesus, you are all to us

REFRAIN

You're all to us (3X)
Yes, you are
You're all to us (3X)
You are

REFRAIN

Text and tune: Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves, Matt Maher, Matt Redman, 2010;
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WE PRAY FOR GOD TO HELP US WORSHIP

GOD CALLS US TO CONFESSION *from Hebrews 4:15-16*

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

WE CONFESS OUR SIN TOGETHER

**Righteous God, in Christ you became sin for us.
You took what we are so that we might become what you are.
But we confess that often we ignore our sin.
We confess that too often we do not confess.
We keep silent about the sin that clings to us.
But our sins are too great a burden for us.
Forgive us. In Christ take away our iniquity.
You are our stronghold, our hiding place.
May we confess our sins, that we might then rejoice
and be glad in you and in the righteousness
that flows over us as a mighty stream of grace.
In Christ, Amen.**

A time of silent prayer will be kept for personal confession.

GOD DECLARES OUR FORGIVENESS *from 1 Timothy 1:15; 1 Peter 2:24*

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we, free from sins, might live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed.

WE OFFER OURSELVES TO GOD IN OFFERINGS AND SONG

At this point in the service, Restoration members and regular attendees are invited to respond to God's grace by giving their tithes and offerings. If you are our guest this morning, please know that you are under no obligation to give.

* Please write checks to "Restoration Community Church". For administrative purposes, it is helpful to include a note if possible. (ex: tithe, offering, retreat, etc)

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT *Community Groups*

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD

We are led in prayer this week by Elder Leo Hsu.

This week, we are praying for Chi Tang & Andrea Parsons (Evan, Liam, Callum); Joseph & Priscilla Tee

We will conclude our time of prayer with the Lord's Prayer.

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from the evil one.
For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.
Amen.**

COMMUNITY WELCOME & NEWS *Family Worship*

*Please take a moment to warmly welcome those around you.
Announcements and upcoming events can be found on page 10*

PRAYER FOR THE READING AND PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING *Hebrews 4:14-5:10*

Church Bible p. 1003

After the reading:

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON ***Lenten Series 2019: Greater
Greater Than Priests***
Rev. Daniel Song

Additional space for notes can be found on page 9.

NEXT WEEK'S SERMON ***Lenten Series 2019: A Greater Covenant*** | Hebrews 8:1-13

GOD COMMUNES WITH US AT HIS TABLE

It is our custom to receive and hold the elements until invited to partake so that we may do so together.

A gluten-free bread option is available from the ushers in the center aisle.

Wine is in the cups in the inner rings of each tray; grape juice is in the outer ring.

Jesus, My Great High Priest

Jesus, my great High Priest
Offered his blood and died
My guilty conscience seeks
No sacrifice beside
His powerful blood did once atone
And now it pleads before the throne
And now it pleads before the throne

To this dear Surety's hand
Will I commit my cause
He answers and fulfils
His Father's broken laws
Behold my soul at freedom set
My Surety paid the dreadful debt
My Surety paid the dreadful debt

Chorus Now I approach the throne
 And I have confidence
 Jesus, my great High Priest
 Offered his blood and died
 Now I approach the throne
 And I have confidence
 Jesus, my great High Priest
 Offered his blood and died
 For me

My Advocate appears
For my defense on high
The Father bows his ears
And lays his thunder by
Not all that hell or sin can say
Shall turn his heart, his love, away
Shall turn his heart, his love, away

Chorus

Should all the hosts of death
And powers of hell unknown
Put their most dreadful forms
Of rage and mischief on
I shall be safe, for Christ displays
His conquering power and guardian grace
His conquering power and guardian grace

Chorus

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DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him, all creatures here below
Praise him above, ye heav'nly hosts
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost
Amen, Amen, Amen.**

Text: Thomas Ken, 1709, Tune: Louis Bourgeois, Genevan Psalter, 1551
OLD HUNDREDETH

WE RECEIVE GOD'S BLESSING (*hands outstretched*)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome, Visitor!

If you are a visitor to Restoration Community Church, we would love to give you a gift in appreciation for joining us today. Please stop by the Welcome Center in the foyer after the service in order to receive a book from us to you!

Newcomers' Luncheon TODAY!

Are you new to Restoration? Would you like a chance to get to know a few others, along with ResCom staff and leaders in a casual setting? If so, please join us for lunch at the Songs' home **TODAY at 12:30pm**. Please talk to Pastor Dan or Jenilyn if you're interested in coming.

Congregational Meeting

There will be a Congregational Meeting on **Sunday, April 28 following the service** to elect **Alex Langford** and **Jack McKay** to the office of Deacon. Each man, having been nominated and examined according to the Book of Church Order, will now be placed before the congregation as a candidate for the office. Please be in prayer and lift these men up to the Lord. If you have any questions, please contact the elders or Pastor Dan.

Church Work Day

Save the date for **April 13th, 8am-2pm** for our spring work day. Come join us and support our Deacons as we will work on projects around the church building. *Lunch will be provided.*

Men's Night Out

Restoration Men, we invite you to come hangout at Urban Chestnut Brewing Co. (4465 Manchester Ave., St. Louis, MO 63110) on **Monday, April 15th at 8 PM**. Enjoy drinks, games, and appetizers over good conversation. This gathering will be casual and open to neighbors, co-workers, and friends. We hope to see you there!

Mercy Fund

If you are interested in contributing to the Mercy Fund you can give any time by making a check to Restoration with "**Mercy Fund**" in the memo line. If you have questions, contact our deacons at deacons@restorationcommunity.net.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Chew on This! — April 7

Spark Sports Fusion — April 12

Church Work Day — April 13

Illuminate — April 14, 28

Men's Night Out — April 15

Good Friday Service — April 19

Easter Service, Egg Hunt & Luncheon — April 21

Congregational Meeting — April 28

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

9 AM Children's/Youth Sunday School, ACE (*Nursery Provided*)

10 AM Gathered Worship

11:15 AM Refreshments & Fellowship

GET IN TOUCH WITH US

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