

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.

If you are visiting with us today, we're glad you're here! We invite you to stay after the service for refreshments and conversation. Our Welcome Team and staff would love to connect with you at that time.

Here are some options if you have children:

- 1. 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 age three and under 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, please feel free to use our Family Room.** Parents are welcome to use this room (located to the left of the sound booth) where they will be able to continue listening to the service. Please respect the privacy of nursing mothers if the "Privacy Please" sign is posted.
- 4. Have your children participate in our Children's Worship time that will begin just before the sermon.** See the time noted later on page 7. (*ages 4-2nd grade*)

SONG OF PREPARATION

You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

You servants of God, your master proclaim
And publish abroad his wonderful name
The name, all-victorious, of Jesus extol
His kingdom is glorious, and rules over all

God rules us on high, almighty to save
And still he is nigh—his presence we have
The great congregation his triumph shall sing
Ascribing salvation to Jesus, our King

Salvation to God who sits on the throne
Let all cry aloud and honor the Son
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim
Fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb

Then let us adore, and give him his right
All glory and pow'r and wisdom and might
All honor and blessing, with angels above
And thanks, never-ceasing, for infinite love

Text: Charles Wesley, 1744, alt.; Tune: Joseph Martin Kraus, 1815

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 27:1*

This morning's liturgy is led by Seminarian Joshua Lee.

Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.
The LORD is the stronghold of our lives.
We desire to live in God's house
and to seek God in his holy temple

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 Isaiah 30:15, 18*

In repentance and rest is your salvation
in quietness and trust is your strength
but you would have none of it.
Yet the LORD longs to be gracious to you;
he rises to show you compassion
For the LORD is God of justice.
Blessed are all who wait for him!

WE CONFESS OUR SIN TOGETHER *from Worship Sourcebook/Psalm 51:10-12*

**Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.
We humbly confess our sins and ask for your mercy.
We have not loved you with a pure heart,
nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves.
We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you.
Have mercy on us and in your great compassion,
cleanse us from our sin.
Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.
Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us.
Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us
with your bountiful Spirit through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

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

GOD DECLARES OUR FORGIVENESS *from Psalm 145:13-14*

The LORD is faithful in all his words,
and gracious in all his deeds.
The LORD upholds all who are falling,
and raises up all who are bowed down.

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.

WE THANK GOD

Heal Us, Emmanuel

CHORUS **Heal us, Emmanuel, here we are
We long to feel Thy touch
Deep-wounded souls to Thee we fly
O Savior hear our cry**

**Our faith is feeble, we confess
We faintly trust Thy word
But will You pity us the less?
Be that far from You Lord!**

CHORUS

**Remember him who once applied
With trembling for relief
“Lord, I believe,” with tears he cried
“O help my unbelief!”**

CHORUS

**She, too, who touched you in the press
And healing virtue stole
Was answered, “Daughter, go in peace
Thy faith has made thee whole”**

CHORUS

**Like her, with hopes and fears we come
To touch You if we may
O send us not despairing home
Send none unhealed away**

CHORUS

Text: William Cowper, 1779; Tune: Kevin Twit, Lucas Morton, 1999

Cornerstone

**My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name (REPEAT)**

**CHORUS Christ alone cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all**

**When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
My anchor holds within the veil** **CHORUS**

**When He shall come with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless stand before the throne** **CHORUS**

CCLI Song # 6158927, Edward Mote | Eric Liljero | Jonas Myrin | Reuben Morgan | William Batchelder Bradbury

MISSIONS SPOTLIGHT

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD

We are led in prayer this week by Elder John Peters. Our prayer families are Dawson & Allison Hunt (Emmalyn, Haven); Leo & Nicci Hsu (Karissa, Isabella, Charlotte).

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 *Children are dismissed for Children's Worship*

At this time, children ages 4 through 2nd grade are invited to join our Children's Ministry volunteers in the back of the Sanctuary. Their classes will be held in the Res-Kids room (103) and Youth room (110). They will be returned following the sermon.

*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 *Luke 6:12ff*

Church Bible p. 862

After the reading:

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON *Following Jesus: to commune*
Rev. Daniel Song

NEXT WEEK'S SERMON

Discipleship in Mark |Rev. Daniel Song

WE CONFESS OUR FAITH IN GOD *The Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died,
and was buried. He descended into hell.¹ The third day he rose again from the
dead, He ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father
Almighty. From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe
in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic² Church, the communion of saints, the
forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

¹ Hell is not to be understood here as the place of judgment, but simply the place of the dead; therefore, when we confess that Jesus descended into hell, we confess that He actually died.

² In this sense, "catholic" means "universal."

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; just let one of our servers know you need it.

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

Remembrance (The Communion Song)

**Oh how could it be
That my God would welcome me
Into this mystery
Say take this bread take this wine
Now the simple made divine
For any to receive**

PRECHORUS

**By Your mercy we come to Your table
By Your grace You are making us faithful**

CHORUS

**Lord we remember You
And remembrance leads us to worship
And as we worship You
Our worship leads to communion
We respond to Your invitation
We remember You**

**See His body His blood
Know that He has overcome
Ev'ry trial we will face
And none too lost to be saved
None too broken or ashamed
All are welcome in this place**

PRECHORUS, CHORUS

(BRIDGE)

**Dying You destroyed our death
Rising You restored our life
Lord Jesus come in glory
Lord Jesus come in glory
Lord Jesus come in glory
Lord Jesus come in glory**

CHORUS

Words and Music by Matt Maher & Matt Redman

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 HUNDREDTH

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

NextGen Bowling — TODAY!
AED/CPR Training — September 22
Illuminate — September 22 & October 13
All-Church Retreat — September 28-29
Chew on This! — October 6
Men's Night Out — October 7
Membership Class — October 13, 20, 27
Women's Brunch — Oct 19th, 10am-noon
Communicant Class — October 26

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome, Visitor!

If you are a visitor to Restoration, we're so glad you've chosen to worship with us today. If you are looking for a church home, we'd love to connect with you and help you learn more about our church. Please text your name and e-mail address to **314.722.6212** to connect with our staff or receive our e-mail newsletter.

Community Groups

If you are interested in getting plugged into a community group, check out bit.ly/ResComCG. Please contact our Adult Ministries director Jenilyn Swett (jenilyn@restorationcommunity.net) if you have further questions.

All-Church Retreat! *September 28-29, Lake Williamson*

Tomorrow is the last day to register for our annual family All-Church retreat. This year, we're looking forward to hearing from *Pastor Joe Congdon*, one of our alumni who is now a missionary in Japan. We hope that you will join us! Register at tinyurl.com/ResComRetreat.

NextGen Bowling - TODAY!

Our entire NextGen ministry is going bowling together at **Olivette Lanes** (9520 Olive Blvd, Olivette, MO 63132) TODAY, **3:00-5:00pm**. It will be \$5 per bowler or \$20 per family. Any questions can be directed to our NextGen director Dawson Hunt (Dawson@restorationcommunity.net).

Membership Class

Are you interested in membership at Restoration or curious about our mission and vision as a church? Join us for our next Membership Class! We'll get to know more about the church, each other, and how God is at work among us. The class will be held on **October 13, 20, and 27** from **3:30-5:00 pm**, with dinner following on the 13th and 20th. Sign up at tinyurl.com/ResComMembership or email office@restorationcommunity.net with any questions.

Loaves & Fishes

Our local ministry partner, **Loaves & Fishes**, is a food pantry and homeless shelter providing food and housing for over 300 families in the St. Louis area each year. They have a "Greatest Needs" list for each month and would appreciate donations from this list. A collection box is in the foyer so please drop off the items **before Sept 29**. Please check your Friday e-mail for the specific list of items they need. Thank you!

Mercy Fund

If you are interested in contributing to the Deacon's 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.

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

9 AM Sunday School / ACE (Adult Christian Education)

10 AM Gathered Worship

11:15 AM Refreshments & Fellowship

GET IN TOUCH WITH US

Office Hours: T/W/F 9 AM-3:30 PM

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