

# 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.

This fall, we have started a new sermon series, Discipleship with Jesus. We all follow something or someone, looking for answers about our own identity and searching for freedom, contentment, security, and joy. Jesus invited ordinary people to follow him and become his disciples. He extends this same invitation to us today. If we choose to follow him, the path of discipleship forces us to confront the reality of who we are, what we value, and who we listen to in light of who Jesus is and what he offers. Are we walking a path of our own making, one set out for us by our culture, or are we seeking to get in step with Jesus? Wherever you are in your faith journey, we're glad to have you with us as we follow Jesus through the gospel of Mark and explore what it means to be his disciples.

*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 4-2<sup>nd</sup> grade*)

**GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP** *from Psalm 86:8-10*  
This morning's liturgy is led by NextGen Director Dawson Hunt.

There is none like you, O Lord,  
nor are there any works like yours.  
All the nations you have made shall come  
and bow down before you, O Lord,  
and shall glorify your name. For you are  
great and do wondrous things, you alone are God.

## **For You Are Holy**

**O God, there's none like you  
In all the earth, in all the earth  
O God, who can compare  
To you, to you?  
Only you have no beginning  
Only you could make the skies  
Only you are truth unending  
Only you are always wise  
Lord, there is none like you**

**REFRAIN:        For you are holy  
                      You are holy  
                      For you are holy  
                      Lord, you are holy**

**O God (O God), there's none like you (there's none like you)  
In all the earth (in all the earth), in all the earth (in all the earth)  
O God (O God), who can compare (who can compare)  
To you (to you), to you (to you)?  
Only you are never sinning  
Only you have never lied  
Only you cannot be tempted  
Only you can never die  
Lord, there is none like you**

**REFRAIN**

Text and tune: Zach Jones, 2004 © 2004 Sovereign Grace Worship

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## **WE PRAY FOR GOD TO HELP US WORSHIP**

### **GOD CALLS US TO CONFESSION** *from 1 John 1:8-9*

If we say that we have no sin,  
we deceive ourselves, and the truth  
is not in us. If we confess our sins, he  
who is faithful and just will forgive us  
our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

### **WE CONFESS OUR SIN TOGETHER** *based on Daniel 9:4-19*

**Holy and merciful God,  
in your presence we confess our sinfulness,  
our shortcomings, and our offenses against you.  
You alone know how often we have sinned  
in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts,  
in forgetting your love.  
Have mercy on us, O Lord,  
for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you.  
Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light  
and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

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

### **GOD DECLARES OUR FORGIVENESS** *from Ezekiel 36:25-26*

I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.

**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.

**There Is A Fountain Filled With Blood**

**There is a fountain filled with blood  
Drawn from Immanuel's veins  
And sinners plunged beneath that flood  
Lose all their guilty stains  
Lose all their guilty stains  
Lose all their guilty stains  
And sinners plunged beneath that flood  
Lose all their guilty stains**

**The dying thief rejoiced to see  
That fountain in his day  
And there may I though vile as he  
Wash all my sins away  
Wash all my sins away  
Wash all my sins away  
And there may I though vile as he  
Wash all my sins away**

**E'er since by faith I saw the stream  
Thy flowing wounds supply  
Redeeming love has been my theme  
And shall be till I die  
And shall be till I die  
And shall be till I die  
Redeeming love has been my theme  
And shall be till I die**

Text: William Cowper, Tune: Lowell Mason

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## **THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** *Micah Charles Hancock & Ethan Brad Lee*

This morning, we are baptizing children into Christ. We are led in vows by Rev. Daniel Song.

### **Questions to the Baptismal Candidates' Guardians**

1. Do you yourselves know that you are saved through faith in Jesus Christ, not through anything you have done, or ever will do — but simply through your faith in Christ's finished work on the cross? **I do.**
2. Do you realize that baptism in and of itself is not a saving ordinance and that he will have to accept Christ as his own Savior when he comes to an age of discretion? **I do.**
3. Have you covenanted with God to give back this child to Him, so that, if He sees fit in His providence to call this child home to Himself, you will not complain against Him, or if the child grows to adulthood and is called to some form of special Christian service, you will not stand in her way but rather encourage her? **I do.**
4. Do you realize that this sacrament is not a matter of magic, but that, in it, you covenant with God to raise him in the fear and admonition of the Lord, to pray for and with him, to keep him in the house of God and with God's people, to be faithful in your home life for Christ as you live it before him, and to do your utmost personally to lead him to a saving knowledge of Christ at an early age? **I do.**

### **Questions to the Congregation**

1. Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child? **We do.**
2. Specifically, do you as a congregation promise to carefully teach him the Word of God, to patiently instruct him in the principles of our holy faith, to regularly pray with and for him, and to graciously set an example of piety and godliness before him, so that he might see—as well as know—the way of the Lord? **We will.**

### **BAPTISMAL BLESSING**

**People:** Little child, for you Jesus Christ has come, he has fought, he has suffered. For you, he entered the shadow of Gethsemane and the horror of Calvary. For you, he uttered the cry “It is finished!” For you, he rose from the dead and ascended into Heaven and there he intercedes — for you, little child, even though you do not know it. But in this way the word of the Gospel becomes true: “We love him, because he first loved us.”

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**WE PRAISE GOD**

## **Jesus Loves Me**

**I was lost I was in chains  
The world had a hold of me  
My heart was a stone I was covered in shame  
When He came for me**

**PRE-CHORUS**                      **I couldn't run couldn't run from His presence  
I couldn't run couldn't run from His arms**

**CHORUS**                              **Jesus He loves me  
He loves me He is for me  
Jesus how can it be  
He loves me He is for me**

**It was a fire deep in my soul  
I'll never be the same  
I stepped out of the dark and into the light  
When He called my name**                      **PRE-CHORUS, CHORUS**

**BRIDGE**  
**He holds the stars and He holds my heart  
With healing hands that bear the scars  
The rugged cross where He died for me  
My only hope my ev'rything**                      **CHORUS**

Ben Glover | Chris Tomlin | Reuben Morgan

**COMMUNITY WELCOME & NEWS** *Children are dismissed for Children's Worship*

At this time, children ages 4 through 2<sup>nd</sup> 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** *Mark 7:1-23*

Church Bible p. 842

*After the reading:*

**Reader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON**

***Discipleship with Jesus: Watchfulness over our Hearts***  
*Rev. Daniel Song*

**NEXT WEEK'S SERMON** **Discipleship with Jesus: Humble Service** | Mark 10:42-45

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## **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.

## **Grace Upon Grace**

**In every station, new trials and new troubles  
Call for more grace than I can afford  
Where can I go but to my dear Savior  
For mercy that pours from boundless stores**

**CHORUS**

**Grace upon grace, every sin repaired  
Every void restored, you will find Him there  
In every turning He will prepare you  
With grace upon grace**

**He made a way for the fallen to rise  
Perfect in glory and sacrifice  
In sweet communion my need He supplies  
He saves and keeps and guards my life**

**CHORUS**

**To Thee I run now with great expectation  
To honor You with trust like a child  
My hopes and desires seek a new destination  
And all that You ask Your grace will provide**

**CHORUS**

Text and tune: Sandra McCracken, 2005

**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**

Chew on This! — TODAY & December 1  
Women's Brunch — Nov 9, 10am-noon  
Illuminate — November 10  
Newcomers Luncheon — Nov 17  
Last day of ACE/SS — Nov 24  
Decorating for Christmas — Nov 30  
Cocoa, Cocktails and Carol-oke — December 13

## 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.

### Newcomers Luncheon

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 *Pastor Dan's home* on **Sunday, November 17, 12:30pm**. Sign up at [tinyurl.com/newcomersluncheon](http://tinyurl.com/newcomersluncheon).

### Community Groups

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

### Womens Brunch: Fall, Food & Gratitude

Join the women of Restoration for a potluck brunch on **Saturday, November 9, 10am-noon**. We'll feast, enjoy time getting to know one another better, and spend time talking and praying about what it looks like to give thanks to the Lord in our daily lives. Sign-up at [bit.ly/FallFoodGratitude19](http://bit.ly/FallFoodGratitude19)

### Chew on This

Youth and leaders will be heading to **Qdoba Mexican Eats** on 11500 Page Service Dr **today after service at 11:45am** as we will "chew on" a topic of discussion while we eat together. We are asking that the students bring money to pay for their lunch and parents to **please pick them up at 1pm from Qdoba**.

### Mercy Fund

If you are interested in contributing to the Deacon's Mercy Fund you can give any time by making a check with "*Mercy Fund*" in the memo line. If you have questions, contact our deacons at [deacons@restorationcommunity.net](mailto: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**

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