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## WELCOME

### “LOVE CAME DOWN”

#### [Verse 1]

If my heart is overwhelmed  
And I cannot hear your voice  
I hold on to what is true  
Though I cannot see

If the storms of life they come  
And the road ahead gets steep  
I will lift these hands in faith  
I will believe

#### [Pre-Chorus]

I'll remind myself  
Of all that you've done  
And the life I have  
Because of your son

#### [Chorus]

Love came down and rescued me  
Love came down and set me free  
I am yours  
Lord I'm forever yours  
Mountains high or valley low  
I sing out and remind my soul  
I am yours  
I am forever yours

#### [Verse 2]

When my heart is filled with hope  
Every promise comes my way  
When I feel your hands of grace  
Rest upon me

Staying desperate for you, god  
Staying humble at your feet  
I will lift these hands in praise  
I will believe.

#### [Pre-Chorus]

#### [Chorus]

#### [Bridge] x2

I am yours  
I am yours  
All my days  
Jesus, I am yours

#### [Chorus]

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## **CONFESSION OF SINS**

Worship Leader: On his missionary journey Paul says, “I preached that they should repent and turn to God and demonstrate their repentance by their deeds” (Acts 26:20). Confessing our sins is more than just going through the motions and saying, “I am so sorry”—just to turn around and keep doing the same thing. Just as Jesus said to the Pharisees, “Produce fruit in keeping with repentance.... The axe is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire” (Matthew 3:10). Jesus is the Vine and we are the branches. Confessing our sins, receiving God’s forgiveness, and striving to change our behavior nurtures our relationship with God. Apart from him, we are not able to produce fruit. So, let us confess our sins:

**Congregation: Have mercy on me, O God. According to your unfailing love, according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my sins, sin of thought, word, and deed; they are always before me. Against you—and you alone—have I sinned. My heart is broken and contrite over what I have done and failed to do. Forgive me for Jesus sake. Create in me a clean heart and renew a right spirit within me. Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore in me the joy of your salvation and grant a willing spirit to sustain me.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENT OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS**

WL: This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. And this is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. He died to remove your guilt and sin forever. He died and does not remember your sins. He died so that you never will. Go in peace; your sins are forgiven. Amen.

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.**

**From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **FIRST LESSON**

1 Timothy 6:6-10

<sup>6</sup> But godliness with contentment is great gain. <sup>7</sup> For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. <sup>8</sup> But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that.

<sup>9</sup> Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup> For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

### **GOSPEL LESSON**

Matthew 15:18-20a

<sup>18</sup> But the things that come out of a person's mouth come from the heart, and these defile them. <sup>19</sup> For out of the heart come evil thoughts—murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false testimony, slander.

<sup>20</sup> These are what defile a person.

**“BROTHERS, SISTERS, LET US GLADLY”**

**[Verse 1]**

Brothers, sisters, let us gladly give to God our all, our best.  
Service hearty, thorough, honest, with a living love impressed.  
All our duty, all our striving; all our time to him belong.  
Praise him, then, with true devotion; come before him with a song.

**[Verse 2]**

By his mercy, by his bounty, by the gift of Christ, his Son.  
What great goodness he has shown us, what high marvels he has done!  
Let us to him promptly, freely yield our bodies and our souls.  
Thankful that his love protects us that his wisdom all controls.

**[Verse 3]**

Gracious Lord, accept our service for the sake of Christ, your Son  
Lo, our hope abides now only in the righteousness he won.  
Bless and save us; help and guide us; watch to comfort and restore  
Till in heaven we rest rejoicing, praising you for evermore.

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**GUIDANCE FOR THE JOURNEY:**  
***THE DESIRES OF OUR HEARTS***

*A recent survey indicated “high anxiety among Americans during COVID-19 pandemic.” In addition to anxiety caused by COVID-19, all of us may have other anxiety-causing matters before us in our personal lives. And so, considering what’s going on related to COVID-19 and other matters, some have commented, “It’s a crazy time.”*

*How does one make it through such a time as this?  
How do Christians travel this part of the journey of their lives?*

*The Bible tells us about a large group of God’s people on a journey. They were the Nation of Israel after God rescued them from slavery in Egypt. They had present and future challenges before them. However, they were blessed with relationship with God and with one another. To use the current slogan, they were “in it together.”*

*But how did they make their way? How did they do the journey?*

*The Bible tells us that God guided them. One of the ways through which God guided Israel was through what we call the Ten Commandments. God used the Ten Commandments to direct Israel in their relationship with him and with one another.*

*For this year’s summer message series—during this “crazy time”—may God use our exploration of the Ten Commandments to guide us through this segment of our life’s journey.*

**EXODUS 20:17**

<sup>15</sup> “You shall not covet.”

**PRAYER**

*Vicar Tim will offer the Prayer. Following the prayer:*

**All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## "GOD OF WONDERS"

### **[Verse 1]**

Lord of all creation  
Of the water, earth and sky  
The Heavens are Your Tabernacle  
Glory to the Lord on high

### **[Chorus 1]**

God of wonders, beyond our galaxy  
You are holy, holy  
The universe declares Your majesty  
You are holy, holy

### **[Bridge 1]**

Lord of Heaven and Earth  
Lord of Heaven and Earth

### **[Verse 2]**

Early in the morning  
I will celebrate the light  
And when I stumble into darkness  
I will call Your name by night

### **[Chorus 1]**

### **[Bridge 1]**

### **[Bridge 2]**

Hallelujah to the Lord of Heaven and earth  
Hallelujah to the Lord of Heaven and earth  
Hallelujah to the Lord of Heaven and earth

### **[Chorus 2]**

God of wonders, beyond our galaxy  
You are holy, holy  
Precious Lord, reveal your heart to me  
Father, hold me; hold me  
The universe declares your majesty  
You are holy, holy

### **[Bridge 2]**

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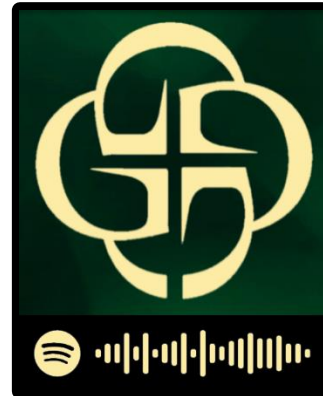
## BLESSING

## WANT TO FOLLOW ALONG WITH THE MUSIC?

**\*-\*UPDATED\*-\*** If you would like to know the songs that we are planning on using during the this series, and listen to them on your own, in the car while commuting, or with your family, you can follow our playlist on Spotify. This playlist will be updated throughout the series.

----- *“Grace CREWW – Guidance for the Journey”* -----

You can search for it there or you can scan this code in the app. To scan a Spotify Code, go to the search bar, tap the search bar and you will see a camera icon, tap the camera and then hover the camera over this code:



## WANT TO LISTEN TO MORE?

This playlist contains nearly every one of the songs that we use for contemporary worship over the year:

*\*Also, feel free to send song suggestions or recommendations to Staff Minister Kyle Heise. 😊*



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