

WORSHIP SERVICE  
September 20, 2020

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 89)

LEADER: The heavens praise your wonders, Lord,  
your faithfulness too, in the assembly of the holy ones.

**PEOPLE: For who in the skies above can compare with the Lord?**

LEADER: I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever;  
with my mouth will I make known your faithfulness.

**PEOPLE: I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever,  
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord!**

PRAYER

HYMN # 161 I Will Sing of the Mercies of the Lord

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, I will sing, I will sing;

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever; I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.

*With my mouth will I make known Thy faithfulness, Thy faithfulness,*

*With my mouth will I make known Thy faithfulness to all generations.*

*I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.*

All the hosts of the angels sing God's praise forever for the things, He has done;

All the hosts of the angels sing God's praise forever,

All the hosts of the angels sing God's praise.

*Who can be compared to God in faithfulness, in faithfulness?*

*Who can be compared to God in faithfulness to all generations?*

*I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.*

HYMN # 139 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Father,

There is no shadow of turning with Thee.

Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail now;

As Thou hast been Thou forever will be.

***Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see.  
All I have needed Thy hand has provided;  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!***

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above;  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. **CHORUS**

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine and ten thousands beside. **CHORUS**

GIVING OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD  
World Mission Offering

PRAYER AND PRAISE  
The Lord's Prayer (debts)

HYMN # 170                      Give Thanks  
Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,  
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son;  
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Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son;

***And now let the weak say "I am strong," let the poor say "I am rich,"  
Because of what the Lord has done for us;  
And now let the weak say "I am strong," let the poor say "I am rich,"  
Because of what the Lord has done for us.***

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,  
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son;  
Give thanks, give thanks,

SCRIPTURE READING            Matthew 18: 21- 35

<sup>21</sup> Then Peter came and said to him, “Lord, if another {brother or sister} sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” <sup>22</sup> Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

<sup>23</sup> “For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. <sup>24</sup> When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; <sup>25</sup> and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made.

<sup>26</sup> So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ <sup>27</sup> And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. <sup>28</sup> But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ <sup>29</sup> Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ <sup>30</sup> But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt.

<sup>31</sup> When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken.

<sup>32</sup> Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. <sup>33</sup> Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ <sup>34</sup> And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. <sup>35</sup> So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.

REFLECTION                      When is Enough, Enough?

HYMN # 654                      Change My Heart, O God  
Change my heart, O God, make it ever new,  
Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.

*Thou art the Potter, I am the clay;  
Mold me and make me, this is what I pray.*

Change my heart, O God, make it ever new,  
Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.

BENEDICTION