

Here I raise my Ebenezer,  
hither by thy help I've come;  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,  
safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
wandering from the fold of God;  
he, to rescue me from danger,  
bought me with his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor  
daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,  
bind my wandering heart to thee:  
prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
prone to leave the God I love;  
here's my heart, O, take and seal it;  
seal it for thy courts above.

Benediction The Rev. Stephanie Poblenz

Postlude Kyle Mazur  
*Christ the Lord is Risen* by Michael Thomas

*\* Please stand if you are able.*

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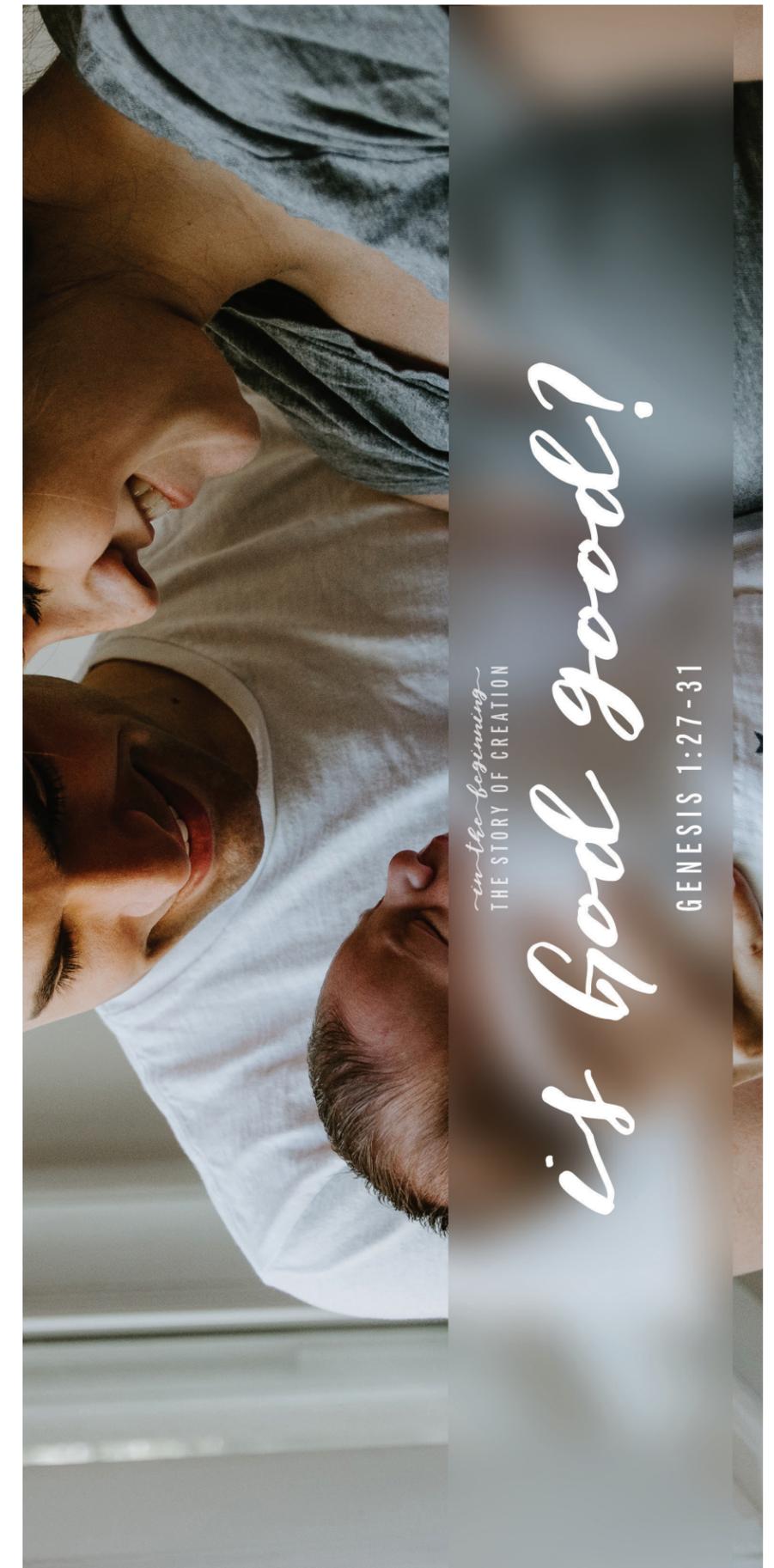
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# Sunday, June 20, 2021

8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. Worship Service

## FATHER'S DAY

### WE GATHER

Welcome and Announcements The Rev. Peter Larson

Prelude Daniel Sachs  
*Alleluia/The Majesty and Glory of Your Name* arr. Mark Hayes

\*Call to Worship David Kouns, Ned, Micah, Kai and Rory Earley 8:30  
Jim Garrett, Dana and Emmett Bicknell 10:00

Leader: In this Holy place of worship we come together today to celebrate fathers and to give praise to our Father who art in heaven.

**People:** Blessed are you Lord our God, Creator and Redeemer of all.

Leader: You are our Father from all eternity, giving life and love to your good creation.

**People:** In you alone we live and move and have our being.

Leader: You have revealed yourself to us as our Father.

**People:** And you have given us the right to become your children through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Leader: Today we come to worship you as you desire, in Spirit and in truth.

**People:** Let us remember what it means to have a father or be a father.

Leader: Let us encourage the fathers among us to manifest the love of God in all they do.

**All:** Let us worship God!

\*Opening Hymn

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty!* Hymn 77

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear,  
now to his temple draw near;  
join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen  
how thy desires e'er have been  
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee,  
surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.  
Ponder anew  
what the Almighty can do,  
if with His love he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!  
Let the Amen  
sound from his people again:  
gladly forever adore him.

### WE PRAY

Prayer of Confession Chloe Larson 8:30

The Rev. Stephanie Poblenz 10:00

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and turned from our neighbors. We have refused to bear the troubles of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. Oh God, in your great mercy forgive our sin and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

\* Response *I Will Sing of My Redeemer*

I will sing of my Redeemer  
and his wondrous love to me;  
on the cruel cross he suffered  
from the curse to set me free.  
Sing, O sing of my Redeemer,  
with his blood he purchased me,  
on the cross he sealed my pardon,  
paid the debt, and made me free.

Prayers of the People The Rev. Peter Larson

### WE GIVE BACK TO GOD

Prayer of Dedication Gary Ensing 8:30

Tom Way 10:00

Offertory Daniel and Rachel Sachs

*Bright and Beautiful (A Children's Suite)* arr. Mark Hayes

### WE HEAR THE WORD

First Scripture Reading Dan Crago 8:30

*Ephesians 2:1-10* Chris Dorsch 10:00

<sup>1</sup>As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins,  
<sup>2</sup>in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. <sup>3</sup>All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh[a] and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath. <sup>4</sup>But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, <sup>5</sup>made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. <sup>6</sup>And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup>in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—<sup>9</sup>not by works, so that no one can boast. <sup>10</sup>For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

Children are Dismissed 8:30 service only

*Preschool - 2nd grade dismissed to Children's Church-Room 301*

*and will return to the Sanctuary during the last hymn.*

\*Hymn Hymn 115

*Fairest Lord Jesus*

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,  
O thou of God and man the Son,  
thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,  
thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown!

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,  
robed in the blooming garb of spring:

Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer  
who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,  
and all the twinkling, starry host:

Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer,  
than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations!

Son of God and Son of Man!

Glory and honor, praise, adoration,  
now and forevermore be thine!

Second Scripture Reading

*Genesis 1:27-31*

<sup>27</sup>So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. <sup>28</sup>God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground." <sup>29</sup>Then God said, "I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. <sup>30</sup>And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds in the sky and all the creatures that move along the ground—everything that has the breath of life in it—I give every green plant for food." And it was so. <sup>31</sup>God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day.

Sermon The Rev. Stephanie Poblenz

Is God Good?

### WE GO OUT INTO THE WORLD

\*Closing Hymn Hymn 45

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,  
tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
sung by flaming tongues above;  
praise his name--I'm fixed upon it--  
name of God's redeeming love.