The Worship of God

March 21, 2021 10:00 am Fifth Sunday in Lent First Baptist Church Gainesville, Florida

Invitation to Worship Pastor Eric

Call to Worship Donn Wisdom

Here is love...that God sent His Son...

His Son that never offended, His Son that was always His delight.

Here is love...that He sent Him to save sinners;

To save them by bearing their sins, by bearing their curse, By dying their death, and by carrying their sorrows.

Here is love...in that while we were yet enemies, Christ died for us, Yes, here is love...in that while we were yet without strength, Christ died for the ungodly.

—John Bunyan

Songs of Praise - To God Be the Glory - #28 (st. 1)

Words by Fanny J. Crosby, music by William H. Doane

To God be the glory, great things He hath done; So loved He the world that He gave us His Son, Who yielded His life an atonement for sin, And opened the life gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice! O come to the Father through Jesus, the Son, And give Him the glory, great things He hath done!

Great Is the Lord - #61

Words and music by Michael W. Smith and Deborah D. Smith © 1982 Meadowgreen Music Co. GREAT IS THE LORD

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just; by His power we trust in His love. Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true; by His mercy he proves He is love.

Great is the Lord and worthy of glory!
Great is the Lord and worthy of praise!
Great is the Lord: now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice:
Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!

Great are You, Lord and worthy of glory!
Great are You, Lord and worthy of praise!
Great are You, Lord: I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice:
Great are You, Lord! Great are You, Lord!

Invocation Harriet Spangler

Confession – "A Confession and Pledge of Trust"

Pastor Eric and Donn Wisdom

Father, during this coming week most likely there may be times when I shall not be able to sense Your presence or to be aware of Your nearness.

When I am lonely and by myself

I trust you to be my companion.

When I am tempted to sin

I trust you to keep me from it.

When I am depressed and anxious

I trust you to lift my spirits.

When I am crushed by responsibility and overwhelmed by the demands of people

I trust you to give me poise and a sense of purpose.

When I am rushed and running

I trust you to make me still inside.

When I forget You

I trust that you will never forget me.

When I forget others

I trust you to prompt me to think of them.

When You take something or someone from me that I want to keep;

When You remove the props I lean on for comfort in place of You;

When You refuse to respond to my questions and to answer my too-selfish prayers,

I will trust You even then.

—Bryan Jeffrey Leech

Hymns of Testimony – Jesus Is the Song - #620 (all 3 stanzas)

Words and music by David Danner © Broadman Press SIMPSON

My Savior is the Lord and King, He has control of everything, He loves me and He bids me sing, He give His song to me.

Refrain

Jesus is the song of life, Jesus is the song of joy, Jesus is the song of love; Jesus gives His song to me.

He calms my hurts and dries my tears, He gives me strength to face my fears, He sends His grace through all my years, He gives His song to me.

Refrain

My Savior, Jesus, I'll adore, my weary soul He will restore, I'll praise His name forevermore, He'll give His song to me.

Jesus Is All the World to Me - #475 (st. 1, 3 & 4)

Words and music by Will L. Thompson ELIZABETH

Jesus is all the world to me, my life, my joy, my all; He is my strength from day to day, without Him I would fall. When I am sad, to Him I go; no other one can cheer me so, When I am sad, He makes me glad; He's my friend.

Jesus is all the world to me, and true to Him I'll be; Oh, how could I this friend deny when He's so true to me? Following Him I know I'm right, He watches o'er me day and night; Following Him, by day and night; He's my friend.

Jesus is all the world to me, I want no better friend; I trust him now, I'll trust Him when life's fleeting days shall end. Beautiful life with such a friend, beautiful life that has no end; Eternal life, eternal joy; He's my friend.

Jesus Loves Me - #652 (refrain)

Words by Ann B. Warner, music by William B Bradbury CHINA

Yes, Jesus loves me, Yes, Jesus loves me, Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

Music for Inspiration – At the Cross (Blood Ran Red)

Worship First, Tim Brophy, soloist

Words and music by Chris Tomlin, Matt Redman, Ed Cash, Jonas Myrin, Matt Armstrong © 2014 Thankyou Music

There's a place where mercy reigns and never dies.

There's a place where streams of grace flow deep and wide,
where all the love I've ever found comes like a flood, comes flowing down.

Chorus

At the cross, at the cross I surrender my life. I'm in awe of You, I'm in awe of You. Where Your love ran red and my sin washed white, I owe all to You, I owe all to You. Jesus.

There's a place where sin and shame are powerless, where my heart has peace with God and forgiveness, where all the love I've ever found comes like a flood, comes flowing down.

Chorus

Here my hope is found, here on holy ground. Here I bow down, here I bow down. Here, arms open wide, here You save my life. Here I bow down, here I bow.

Chorus

I owe all to You, I owe all to You, Jesus.

Where Your love ran red, your love ran red.

Pastor Eric

Message - "The Wilderness Gives Life"

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Songs of Faith - The Solid Rock - #511 (st. 1 & 3)

Words by Edward Mote, music by William B. Bradbury SOLID ROCK

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness, I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain

On Christ, the solid Rock I stand; all other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, His covenant, His blood support me in the whelming flood; When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

Refrain

How Great Is Our God - #5 (refrain)

Words and music by Chris Tomlin, Jess Reeves, Ed Cash © 2004 Alletrop Music HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD

How great is our God! Sing with me, "How great is our God!" And all will see how great, how great is our God!

Benediction Pastor Eric

Song of Sending - Grace Alone - #112 (refrain)

Words and music by Scott Wesley Brown and Jeff Nelson © 1998 Maranatha! Music GRACE ALONE

Grace alone which God supplies, strength unknown He will provide. Christ in us, our Cornerstone; we will go forth in grace alone.

Please remain seated until dismissed by one of our hosts. Thank you.

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The Wilderness Gives Us life

Lessons from the Wilderness March 21, 2021 Ezekiel 37:1-14

[The Lord] said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know."

Ezekiel 37:3 (NRSV)

Sermon Guide

Worship	Question: Where have you been cut off this year?
Good Ne	ews: In our wilderness of isolation, the Lord us and Re-
Member	rs us to give us life!
God	
	The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the ord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. (Ez 37:17)
God Re-Members	
	So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. (Ez 37:7)
God	Life
b	Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath:[c] Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath,[d] and breathe upon these slain, that they may live."
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