

Home Service Order

6/7/20

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Call to Worship

One Person to Read Aloud Psalm 68:4, 19-20

Song <u>Magnificent, Marvelous, Matchless Love (Keyes, Getty, Brown, Papa)</u>

CCLI# 7119246

Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love;
Too vast and astounding to tell
Forever existing in worlds above,
Now offered and given to all.
Oh, fountain of beauty eternal;
The Father, the Spirit, the Son.
Sufficient and endlessly generous,
Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

Creation is brimming with thankfulness,
The mountains exultant they stand;
The seasons rejoice in Your faithfulness,
All life is sustained by Your hand.
You crown every meadow with color;
You paint every shade in the sky;
Each day the dawn wakes as an encore of
Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

How great, how sure;
His love endures
Forevermore.
Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

What grace, that You entered our brokenness;
You came in the fullness of time.
How far we had fallen from righteousness,
But not from the mercies of Christ.
Your cross is our door to redemption;
Your death is our fullness of life.
That day how forgiveness flowed as a flood:
Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

How great, how sure;
His love endures
Forevermore.
Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

United in Your resurrection, You lift us to infinite heights. Could anything sever or take us from Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love?

How great, how sure;
His love endures
Forevermore.
Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

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His love endures
Forevermore.
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Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

Song

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (Luther)

CCLI# 5488935

A mighty fortress is our God
A bulwark never failing
Our helper He amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing
For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work us woe
His craft and pow'r are great
And armed with cruel hate
On earth is not his equal

Did we in our strength confide
Our striving would be losing
Were not the right man on our side
The man of God's own choosing
Dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is He
Lord Sabaoth His name
From age to age the same
And He must win the battle

And tho' this world, with devils filled Should threaten to undo us We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph thru us The prince of darkness grim We tremble not for Him His rage we can endure For Io, his doom is sure One little word shall fell him

That word above all earthly pow'rs
No thanks to them abideth
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Thro' Him who with us sideth
Let goods and kindred go
This mortal life also
The body they may kill
God's truth abideth still
His kingdom is forever
His kingdom is forever

Scripture Reading

One Person to Read Aloud

I Corinthians 15:54-58

Song

Endless Hallelujah (Tomlin, Myrin, Redman, Wanstall)

CCLI# 6016557

When I stand before Your throne Dressed in glory not my own What a joy I'll sing of on that day No more tears or broken dreams Forgotten is the minor key Ev'rything as it was meant to be

And we will worship
Worship
Forever in Your presence we will sing
We will worship
Worship You
An endless hallelujah to the King

I will see You as You are
Love You with un-sinning heart
See how much You paid to bring me home
Not 'til then Lord shall I know
Not 'til then how much I owe
Ev'rything I am before Your throne

And we will worship
Worship
Forever in Your presence we will sing

We will worship Worship You An endless hallelujah to the King

No more tears
No more shame
No more sin and sorrow ever known again
No more fears
No more pain
We will see You face to face
See You face to face

And we will worship
Worship
Forever in Your presence we will sing
We will worship
Worship You
An endless hallelujah to the King
An endless hallelujah to the King
We'll sing an endless hallelujah to the King

Prayer

One or More Persons to Read Aloud

Our Father in heaven, how long, O Lord? How long will Your Name not be central on earth as it is in heaven? How long will our own names and reputations be more central to us and our daily pursuits than Yours? How long will Your Kingdom not be central on earth as it is in heaven? How long will we be found building kingdoms to our own glory or for our own gain, rather than living in Your Kingdom and for Your Kingdom as we long for Your glory to cover the earth as the water covers the sea? How long, O Lord, will Your will not be done on earth as it is in heaven? How long until we love you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, as well as loving our neighbors as we love ourselves? We repent of our partiality for ourselves and we repent of our partiality against our neighbors. We come to, for you alone are our Father: Good, merciful, abounding in steadfast love & faithfulness. We repent of our partiality and favoritism shown to those who look like us, act like us, think like us, or may somehow benefit us. We repent of our partiality against our neighbors when we do not extend love to those who do not look like us, act like us, think like us, live like us, or those we judge to be of no benefit to us based on outward appearance. We confess our sin of not loving our neighbors as we love ourselves, and that we often fail to look upon and treat our fellow humankind the same way You do. Please help us not to look on outward appearances, but to look upon the heart and value our fellow image bearers. We pray that our life together at Five Points would be a compelling witness of the unity, harmony, love, and power of the gospel to the world around us. We come to You, for You alone are our Father: good, merciful, abounding in steadfast love & faithfulness.

That is why we turn to you and cry 'How long?' How long will evil be allow to operate in this world? How long will injustice go on? How long will your saints be attacked? How long will cancer ravage, enemies triumph, sickness endure, suffering continue, and injustice be perpetrated? Father, we know You are good, we know You are sovereign, and we know You work all things together for the good of those who love You, so we ask for the grace to trust in You while we and Your people around the world, our brothers and sisters in Christ, endure such things that make us cry out 'How Long?' Consider us and answer us, we pray.

We have heard Your promises, and know You're faithful, so we ask You to give us the daring strength to not give in to unbelief, but wait and trust in You. Let not any enemy prevail against us, but use our lives for the praise of Your glory and give us grace in times of pain. Until Jesus returns, this world will be filled with sorrow. So we ask for the grace to continue to come to You in prayer for the grace to walk with You through our tears, for the grace to weep with those who weep, and for the grace to remember that one day You will wipe away all tears as mourning and sorrow and even death are destroyed. So until that day, we wait.

As we wait, we ask You would make Five Points and the churches around our city, state, nation, and the world, cities on the hills, places of of unity, reconciliation, humility, and love in Jesus in order that we might be salt and light in the surrounding darkness. We ask this, not to the praise of our glory, but that Your glory would shine as our lives together witness to the transformation and reconciliation that is ultimately found in Christ alone!

Our Father in heaven, we ask for You to cause us to continue to hope in You alone, and for the grace to pray and live for Your centrality among our neighbors and the nations. We pray these things in the name of our Savior Jesus, who loved us and died for us and purchased a people from every tribe, tongue, and nation with His own blood to the praise of Your glory. So may the glorious gospel be seen in us and proclaimed by us so that this world would more and more match the reality of heaven, both as it is now and as it will be in eternity, Amen.

Song

O Church of Christ, Invincible (Boswell, Townend)

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O Church of Christ, invincible
The people of the Lord
Empowered by the Spirit's breath
And nourished by His word
His covenant of grace will be
Our portion evermore
For He who called us will not change
Our help and our reward

O chosen people called by grace
The sons of Abraham
Who walk by faith and things unseen
And on His promise stand
That ev'ry nation of the earth
Will hear about this love
That causes broken hearts to heal
And pays our debts with blood

O Church of Christ, in sorrow now
Where evil lies in wait
When trials and persecutions come
This light will never fade
For though the hordes of hell may rage
Their pow'r will not endure
Our times are in the Father's hand
Our anchor is secure

O Church of Christ upon that day
When all are gathered in
When ev'ry tear is wiped away
With ev'ry trace of sin
Where justice truth and beauty shine
And death is passed away
Where God and man will dwell as one
For all eternity

Reading of the Word

One Person to Read Aloud Psalm 119:2, 10-11, 28, 105

Preaching of the Word

Mike Sherf, Pastor

"The Blessings and Danger of Bible Reading"

Sermon References:

"When I'm asked what's more important, praying or reading the Bible? I ask, 'What's more important, breathing in or breathing out?"

Charles Spurgeon

"Without absolutes revealed from without by God himself, we are left rudderless in a sea of conflicting ideas about manners, justice and right and wrong, issuing from a multitude of self-opinionated thinkers."

John Owen

"We sit down, do our quiet time and wonder why nothing is happening. We have taken the medicine, but feel no better. We put the coin in the slot in the machine, so where's the chocolate bar? We did our bit: why didn't God do his? But this is like thinking that I will grow in love for my wife simply by spending ten minutes with her a day. Relationships are about love, engagement, trust, understanding, and not merely presence."

John Hindley, You Can Really Grow

"Don't get me wrong. We need to understand the Bible. It will show us to behave. It does equip us for life each day. It will sometimes fire up our feelings. It needs to be read diligently, but if we make it all about one of those things, we turn our Christian lives into intellectual pursuit leading to pride, or a moral crusade doomed to failure, or a job on the to-do list, or a trip on an emotional roller coaster."

John Hindley, You Can Really Grow

His delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.

Psalm 1:2

"It is written, "'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."

Matthew 4:4

"You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me, yet you refuse to come to me that you may have life.... if you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote of me."

John 5:39-40

Closing Song

In Christ Alone (Getty, Townend)
CCLI# 3350395

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied;
For every sin on Him was laid Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand; Till He returns or calls me home -Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

Benediction

One Person to Read Aloud

Now, Five Points, as the word of Christ dwells richly in your hearts with thankfulness to God, may the Spirit grant you His power and grace to do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. Amen.

Offering: http://5pointscc.org/give/

Scripture Memory

Psalm 86:15

But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

God's Provision

Offering 5/31: \$7,377

Weekly Budget: \$16,760

Offering YTD: \$319,248

Budget YTD: \$368,714

Building Fund: \$329,801

Benevolence Fund: \$16,971

Online giving at 5pts.cc/5PGiving

MAY 7, 2020 RAPHA MCP LAUNCH





Sponsor A Child!

With everything going on, you may be wondering how our partners around the world are managing. The **Christ's Hope International** Ministry Center in Ombeyi, Kenya is growing and working to ensure the safety of our AIDS affected, immunocompromised children. Though the CarePoints have been closed to protect the children and staff, we continue to care for the children by making sure they have enough food to eat, delivering food packages, health kits, and more. **Click here for more information** on their current work during COVID-19.

God is blessing us with more opportunities to serve in Kenya as one new ministry CarePoint is being launched this Spring. The CarePoint is known as the "Rapha" Ministry CarePoint and seventeen new children are currently available to sponsor [33 children will follow later in May once the restrictions are lifted]. This CarePoint will be located at the Becca Prange Ministry Center. If you or your small group is able, click here to sponsor a child. If you are not currently able to financially sponsor a child, take a look at the list and choose a child to pray for.

<u>Click here to watch a video directly from Rachel Onyango</u> (<u>Kenyan Team Leader</u>) and <u>click here to watch a video from</u> David Kase (International Director)!











Rachel Onyango



David Kase

Notes

Ouactions	for	Reflection	
Questions	TOT	Reflection	

- 1. What is something God taught me from His Word today that causes me to worship Him?
- 2. Where is the Holy Spirit convicting me that my life is out of alignment with God's Word and leading me to turn to Jesus in repentance?
- 3. How will I, by the Holy Spirit's enabling, live out what I have learned this week?
- 4. How will I encourage someone else this week with what I have learned?
- 5. What questions do I have after hearing from God's Word today that I will ask someone about following the service?