



GOOD SHEPHERD

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

JUNE 26, 2022

Welcome to Good Shepherd

Thank you for joining us for worship today. If this is your first time with us, we are especially glad you are here. Please don't hesitate to ask one of our greeters regarding the location of the nursery, restrooms, or just a cup of coffee!

We realize that the flow and order of our worship may be unfamiliar, so there are notes in the margins that will offer some explanations and hopefully help you participate. Our service is designed to be both biblical and Christ centered as we cycle through the wonderful truths of the Gospel each week. We gather not for a lecture, conference, or concert, but for an encounter and covenant renewal with God. Therefore, our service follows the pattern God gave his people thousands of years ago: God speaks and we respond.

We also hope that you will join us after the service. Downstairs in the fellowship hall you will find plenty of refreshments and snacks as well as a warm welcome from our church family. If you have any questions from the sermon you can return to the sanctuary about 15 minutes after the service for our *Ask the Pastor* time. This is a great place to process the wonderful truths of the Gospel that we proclaim.

Lastly, we would love to know that you were here this morning. In the backs of the pews there is an info sheet that you can fill out and put in the offering basket during the service. Don't worry, we won't bombard you with endless emails. We just want an opportunity to say hello. If there is any way that we can pray for you, or if you have questions about the church, you can write those on the back as well.

Wherever you are this morning, our hope is that God would attend to the ministry of His Word, and that you would know the love of your blessed Savior.



A Word to Parents with Young Children

First, we want you to know that we are delighted to have your children in worship with us this morning. There is nothing better that we can give our children than the opportunity to know and worship their Heavenly Father. Any noises that they may make are not an embarrassing distraction, but a beautiful reminder that they are participating in God's means of grace.

We do understand, however, that it is sometimes helpful to have other means of serving our children and families. Through the back doors of the sanctuary you will find a **cry room** if you have little ones that are getting fussy or who need to nurse. We also have an **overflow room** with a live-stream of the service in the downstairs fellowship hall.

Lastly, we have a **nursery** downstairs for children ages 0-3. Staff in the nursery are background checked and trained.

Order of Worship

Preparation

We invite you to take a few moments this morning to prayerfully prepare to meet with and worship the living God.

Preparatory Thought.....

"If we want to feel deeply about God, we must learn to think deeply about God." — *Jen Wilkin*

Prelude.....

Welcome and Announcements.....

Praise

God's people come because he first calls them. We open our services this way as a reminder that it is God himself who is calling us into his presence this morning.

Call to Worship*.....*Exodus 15:1-2*

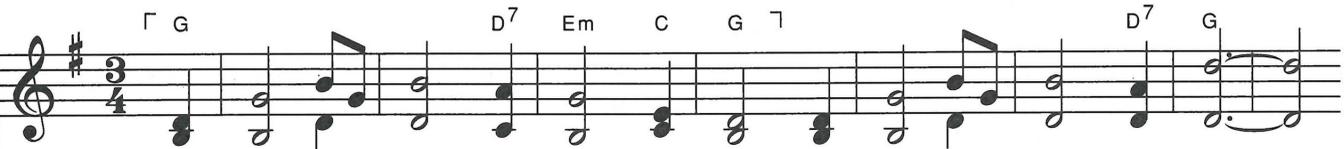
Leader: Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the Lord, saying, "I will sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea. The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him.

Prayer of Adoration*.....

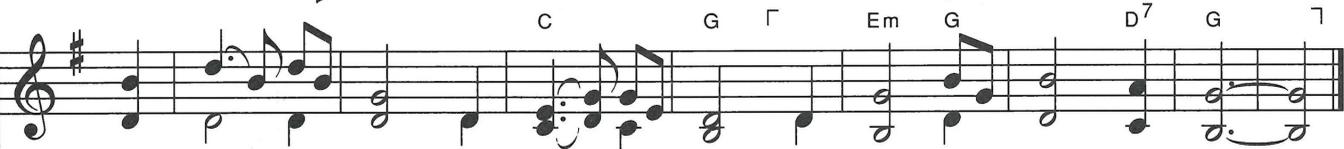
Hymn #460.....*Amazing Grace!*

*please stand if able

Amazing Grace!



1. A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that saved a wretch like me!
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears re - lieved;
3. Thro' man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al - read - y come;
4. The Lord has prom-ised good to me, his Word my hope se - cures;



I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.
how pre - cious did that grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
he will my shield and por - tion be, as long as life en - dures.



5. And when this flesh and heart shall fail,
and mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess within the veil
a life of joy and peace.
6. When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we've first begun.

The Word of God is always sufficient to do the work of God. Therefore, each week we continue the practice of God's people listening to the public reading of scripture.

While it is right for us to confess our sins in light of God's holiness, our forgiveness is not merited through this act or the absolution of a priest.

Rather, it is Christ who saves and speaks through His Word to assure us that our sin has been pardoned.

If you are visiting with us there is no expectation for you to contribute to this morning's offering. For those who are giving we remember that we are called to joyful worship of the God who continues to give us all that we need in Christ.

Renewal

Scripture Reading.....*Jonah 4:1-4*

Corporate Prayer of Confession.....

Assurance of Pardon.....*Hebrews 7:24-25*

Leader: [B]ut he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

Offering/Song.....*Before the Throne of God Above*

Congregational Prayer.....

Each week, we preach, verse by verse through books of the Bible so that we are instructed by the full counsel of God, rather than whatever the preacher deems most important.

We celebrate the Lord's Supper every week trusting that our Lord is truly, spiritually present nourishing His people. If you are a member of a local church, have been baptized, and believe that you are saved by grace through faith, then we welcome you to participate with us.

Proclamation

Hymn #701*.....*Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It!*

Prayer for Illumination.....

Sermon.....Devon Rossman
"Run" - *Hebrews 12:1-2*

Response

Celebration of the Lord's Supper.....

Hymn #338*.....*Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart*

Benediction*.....

Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It!

1. Re-deemed, how I love to pro-claim it! Re-deemed by the
 2. Re-deemed and so hap-py in Je-sus, no lan-guage my
 3. I think of my bless-ed Re-deem-er, I think of him

(D) (G) (D) (Bm) (F#m) (D⁷)

blood of the Lamb; re-deemed thro' his in-fi-nite mer-cy, his
 rap-ture can tell; I know that the light of his pres-ence with
 all the day long; I sing, for I can-not be si-lent; his

(Em⁷) (D) REFRAIN (G) (F#m) (D)

child, and for-ev-er, I am.
 me doth con-tin-u-al-ly dwell. Re-deemed, re-deemed,
 love is the theme of my song.

(Bm) (E⁷) (A) (A⁷) (D) (Bm)

re-deemed by the blood of the Lamb; re-deemed thro' his

in-fi-nite mer-cy, his child, and for-ev-er, I am.

Sermon Outline

"Run" - *Hebrews 12:1-2*

Big Idea—We are called to run persistently in faithful obedience as we focus on Jesus.

Introduction: Keeping Our Focus

The Mandate for Running

The Method for Running

Lay Aside Every Hindrance

Look to Jesus

Live with Endurance

The Motivations for Running

A Great Cloud of Witnesses

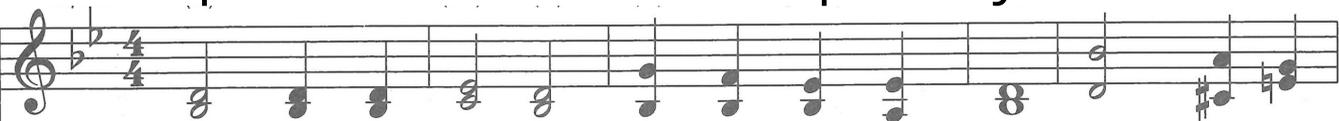
The Admirable Example of Jesus

The Joy Set before Us

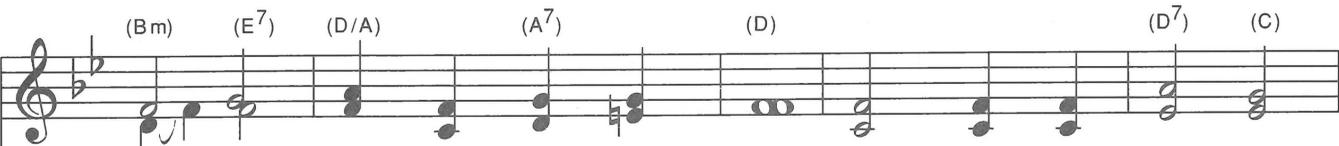
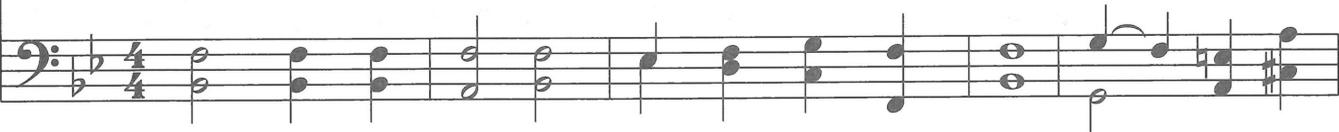
Conclusion: The Race Isn't Over Yet

Sermon Notes

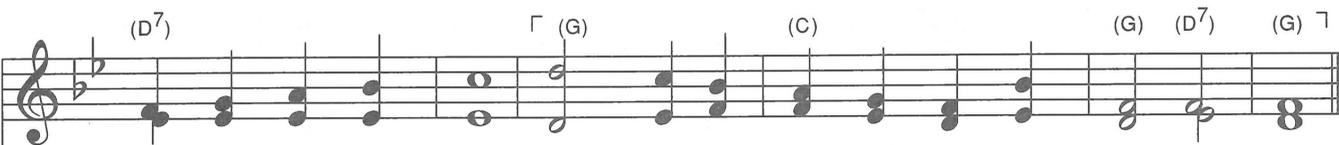
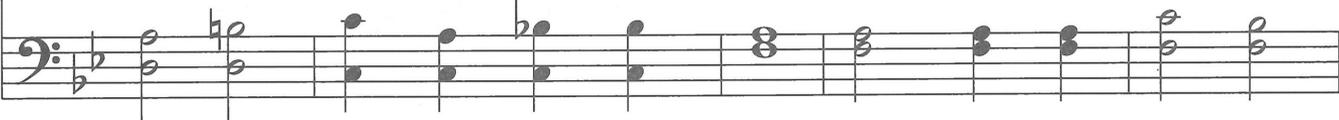
Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart



1. Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart; wean it from
 2. I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies, no sud - den
 3. Hast thou not bid us love thee, God and King? All, all thine
 4. Teach me to feel that thou art al - ways nigh; teach me the
 5. Teach me to love thee as thine an - gels love, one ho - ly



earth, through all its puls - es move; stoop to my weak - ness,
 rend - ing of the veil of clay, no an - gel vis - i -
 • own, soul, heart, and strength and mind. I see thy cross—there
 strug - gles of the soul to bear, to check the ris - ing
 pas - sion fill - ing all my frame; the bap - tism of the



might - y as thou art, and make me love thee as I ought to love.
 tant, no o - p'ning skies; but take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.
 • teach my heart to cling: O let me seek thee, and O let me find.
 doubt, the reb - el sigh; teach me the pa - tience of un - an - swered prayer.
 heav'n - de - scend - ed Dove, my heart an al - tar, and thy love the flame.



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Announcements

- Our first **women's retreat** is scheduled for October 28-29 at Maranatha Bible Camp.
- **Thank You!** Alternatives of Kalamazoo wanted to pass along a "thank you" to all the donations received for the Walk For Life.
- There will be a **fellowship meal** following today's service.

Financials

- Total Giving through May (\$92,399)
- Total Expenses through May (\$99,309)
- Welcome Home Contributions (\$29,270)

Get Involved

- Join us after the service for our **Ask the Pastor** time where you can follow up on the sermon or ask other Bible and faith questions you may have.
- **Senior and Junior High** students are invited to attend our weekly catechism class after service in the upstairs classrooms.
- **Young Adults** meet every Wednesday for fellowship and a sermon discussion.
- **Women's Bible Study** meets every other Thursday at 7:30pm.
- **Men's Bible Study** groups meet weekly in the morning and evening time slots.
- We have **fellowship groups** that meet throughout the week in the greater Kalamazoo area.
- **The choir** meets for practice every Tuesday at 7:00pm.

