

# Vespers Service August 29, 2021

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# Welcome & Invitation to Worship

# **Songs of Praise**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

All hail the power of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all! Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, Ye ransomed from the fall, hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all! Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball, to Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all! To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all! We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all!

# There is a Name

There is a Name, who reigns without contention, whose power can't be questioned or contained. With humble fame, He rules the earth and heavens, His glory knows no measure or refrain, and it's bursting past the border lines of space.

Jesus, enthroned upon the praises of our hearts. Jesus, You're the King and You're the center of it all.

There is a Name, reaching past the margins, calling sons and daughters back to Him. And as He saves, we can hear the roar of

Heaven, as prodigals are coming home again. Oh the triumph of His name will never end. *Refrain* 

For every eye will see, every heart will know, there is no name above the name of Jesus. Death could not hold Him down, no grave could keep Him bound, all sin and sickness bow to the name of Jesus. *Refrain* 

# **Prayer of Confession**

Graves into Gardens

I searched the world but it couldn't fill me. Man's empty praise and treasures that fade are never enough. Then You came along and put me back together, and every desire is now satisfied here in Your love.

*Oh, there's nothing better than You. There's nothing better than You. Lord, there's nothing, nothing is better than You.* 

I'm not afraid to show You my weakness. My failures and flaws, Lord, You've seen them all and You still call me friend. 'Cause the God of the mountain is the God of the valley, and there's not a place Your mercy and grace won't find me again. *Refrain* 

You turn mourning to dancing. You give beauty for ashes. You turn shame into glory; You're the only one who can. You turn graves into gardens. You turn bones into armies. You turn seas into highways; You're the only one who can.

# **Assurance of Pardon**

# Affirmation of Faith The Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### Reading 1 Peter 4: 12-19

The SermonNothing is WastedRev. Dan HutchinsonBut rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that youmay also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. 1 Peter 4:13

# **Sharing Joys and Concerns**

# Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

# Songs of Response

Authority

Creation knows the voice that spoke into the void; the breath that brought the dust to life and sang the stars to form. The darkness fears Your voice, that drove it back before, and though the night is long I know Your light will drive it back once more.

One word from You; things change on Your authority. Your Word, it's true, things change on Your authority.

My fight is not my own; its end is in your hands. I worship You because I know all things must bow to Your command. *Refrain* 

Will heaven not prevail and strongholds not be moved? Will spirits not be silenced and cower at His rule? For if my God is for me then what have I to fear? And I will not deny Him the glory that is His.

Heaven will prevail and strongholds will be moved. Spirits will be silenced and cower at His rule. I know my God is for me, so what have I to fear? For nothing will deny Him the glory that is His. *Refrain* 

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