

Home Worship Liturgy 9/13/2020

It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High, proclaiming your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night. —Psalm 92:1-2, NIV

*Opening Prayer

Great and marvelous are your deeds, Lord God Almighty. Just and true are your ways, King of the nations. Who will not fear you, Lord, and bring glory to your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship before you. AMEN **Revelation 15:3-4**

Songs of Praise and Hope¹ (The words to the songs have been provided below for singing or reflection. If you would like to sing along with a video or simply listen to the music, please either click on the link provided, look it up on Youtube, or play your own instrument if possible.)

This is My Fathers World <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bEE5MvoT3oI>

This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas-- His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world: the birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise.
This is my Father's world: He shines in all that's fair;
In the rustling grass, I hear Him pass, He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world: O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world: The battle is not done
Jesus who died shall be satisfied and earth and heaven be one

To God Be the Glory <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2CeBoSQsBR0>

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!

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O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
 To every believer the promise of God;
 The vilest offender who truly believes,
 That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

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 things He hath taught us, great things He hath done, ‘
 and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
 But purer, and higher, and greater will be
 Our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

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!

What a Friend We Have in Jesus (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8SCorW9r Is>)

What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
 What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
 Oh, what peace we often forfeit, Oh, what needless pain we bear,
 All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
 We should never be discouraged— take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Can we find a friend so faithful, who will all our sorrows share?
 Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer

Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care?
 Precious Savior, still our refuge— take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!
 In His arms He'll take and shield thee, thou wilt find a solace there.

Bible Text and Sermon (To access the sermon video/audio and worship liturgy, please visit our website at idealparkchurch.com and click on the “**Current Sermon Series**” tab for September 13. This will be available Monday, September 14. From there, click on “**Watch Now**” or “**Read Now**” or **Sing Along**

Psalm 103

- ¹ Praise the LORD, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.
- ² Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits—
- ³ who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,
- ⁴ who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion,
- ⁵ who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.
- ⁶ The LORD works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed.
- ⁷ He made known his ways to Moses, his deeds to the people of Israel:
- ⁸ The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.
- ⁹ He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever;
- ¹⁰ he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities.
- ¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him;
- ¹² as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.
- ¹³ As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him;
- ¹⁴ for he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust.
- ¹⁵ The life of mortals is like grass, they flourish like a flower of the field;
- ¹⁶ the wind blows over it and it is gone, and its place remembers it no more.
- ¹⁷ But from everlasting to everlasting the LORD's love is with those who fear him, and his righteousness with their children's children—
- ¹⁸ with those who keep his covenant and remember to obey his precepts.
- ¹⁹ The LORD has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all.
- ²⁰ Praise the LORD, you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding, who obey his word.
- ²¹ Praise the LORD, all his heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will.
- ²² Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion.
- Praise the LORD, my soul.

Message notes

God enjoyed Sabbath rest with Adam and Eve

- God created everything and it was “very good”
- Sin messed up every relationship
- God promised redemption and renewal

David responds to God's intended plan for shalom

David invites all God's people to join him in praise

1. God's blessings to his people in their sinful state
2. God's love for his people though they are “like grass”

David calls everything to praise God

God wants his creation/people to know of his love through Jesus

Discussion questions:

- Why does David praise the Lord?
- What does it mean that the LORD works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed (vs. 6)?
- How can verse 19 be understood since Jesus' time on earth?
- How can you nurture your soul to praise the LORD?

Prayers for our church, community, nation, and world (Read these as you feel led, either out loud or silently.)

Perfect God, We thank you for the gift of prayer. We thank you that you, the maker of heaven and earth, who oversees all things, desires to speak with us. But God, we confess that at times, we have not always relied on prayer as much as we should. We turn to other distractions, other endeavors, other means of trying to fill ourselves. Forgive us we pray. Forgive us when we have not relied on conversation with you as the balm for our soul. [Silent prayer]

We come before you now as Jesus in the garden of Gethsemane. We kneel before your throne. Jesus, on the cross, you bore the sin of the world, including our own. Lord, that would be enough. But you, Lord Jesus, invite us to more. You invite us to cast our cares, our concerns, our joys, our needs upon you. We give them to you... [Silent prayer]

Father, thank you for this time of worship. Be with us as we continue to worship and glorify you with our lives, our church, and our prayers. Amen.

My Friends May You Grow in Grace <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R6bfZFqHbjw>

My friends, may you grow in grace,
and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior.
My friends, may you grow in grace,
and in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.
To God be the glory, now and forever,
now and forever, Amen.
To God be the glory, now and forever,
now and forever, Amen

Blessing: “The LORD bless you and keep you, the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace.” Numbers 6:24-26