

GSBC Worship

May 24, 2020

HYMN #CH90 Come, Christians, Join to Sing” (v. 1-2)

▶ Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ we bring: Alleluia! Amen!

Let all with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;

praise we with gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

▶ Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky: Alleluia! Amen!

Christ is our Guide and Friend on whom we can depend;

his love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

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CALL TO WORSHIP—from Psalm 6

- ▶ LEADER: Be gentle, my Physician, for I am feeble. Heal me, for my bones shudder with terror.
- ▶ **PEOPLE: My soul multiplies terrors—for you, God, how long must I wait?**
- ▶ LEADER: Turn toward me, my Protector; provide my soul with means of escape. Save me in keeping with your kindness.
- ▶ **PEOPLE: I am worn out by my groans. Every night, I drench my bed with fevered sweat.**
- ▶ LEADER: God has already heard the sound of my lament.
- ▶ **ALL: God has heard my plea. God will take in my prayer.**

HYMN #CH 15 “Rejoice, You Pure in Heart” (v.1-3, 5)

- ▶ Rejoice, you pure in heart, lift praises to the sky; your festive banner wave with joy, the cross of Christ raise high!
- ▶ *Refrain: Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.*
- ▶ Bright youth and snow-crowned age, strong souls and spirits meek, raise high your free exulting song, God's wondrous praises speak. *Refrain*
- ▶ With voice as full and strong as ocean's surging praise, send forth the hymns the saints have loved, the psalms of ancient days. *Refrain*
- ▶ Praise God who rules all worlds; the risen Christ adore. Praise God the Spirit, Holy Fire, one God for evermore!
Refrain

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Receiving Of Our Offerings

- ▶ *Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Whose constant love and grace we know.
Bless now, O God, these gifts we give
That others may in your peace live. Amen.*

HYMN #CH 628 "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" (v. 1-2)

- ▶ When my way groweth drear Precious Lord, linger near
When my light is almost gone Hear my cry,
hear my call Hold my hand lest I fall Take my hand,
precious Lord Lead me on.
- ▶ Precious Lord, take my hand Lead me on, let me
stand I am tired, I'm weak, I am worn. Through the
storm, through the night Lead me on to the light
Take my hand, precious Lord Lead me home

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Scriptures & Sermon “You Think *You’ve* Got It Bad!”

▶ **II Corinthians 6:1-10; 11:22-33**

▶ As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, ‘At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.’

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labours, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honour and dishonour, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything. Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they descendants of Abraham? So am I. Are they ministers of Christ? I am talking like a madman—I am a better one: with far greater labours, far more imprisonments, with countless floggings, and often near death. Five times I have received from the Jews the forty lashes minus one. Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I received a stoning. Three times I was shipwrecked; for a night and a day I was adrift at sea; on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from bandits, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brothers and sisters; in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, hungry and thirsty, often without food, cold and naked. And, besides other things, I am under daily pressure because of my anxiety for all the churches. Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is made to stumble, and I am not indignant?

▶ If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness. The God and Father of the Lord Jesus (blessed be he for ever!) knows that I do not lie. In Damascus, the governor under King Aretas set a guard on the city of Damascus in order to seize me, but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped from his hands.

HYMN #CH 618 "How Firm A Foundation"

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- ▶ How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in gods excellent Word! What more can be said than to you God has said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?
- ▶ "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed; for I am your God, and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.
- ▶ "When through the deep waters I call you to go, the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow; for I will be with you, your troubles to bless, and sanctify to you your deepest distress.
- ▶ "When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply; the flame shall not hurt you; I only design your dross to consume and your gold to refine.
- ▶ "The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes; that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

Shalom Circle

- ▶ Shalom, my friend; Shalom, my friend; Shalom, Shalom. We'll see you again; We'll see you again; Shalom, Shalom.

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