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Here we post current prayer concerns of those with health needs and those in need of comfort, the full scriptural text for today's service, a link to give online, and important announcements about the life of our church.

## GATHERING

"TWO VOLUNTARIES" (WILLIAM SELBY)

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP | FROM PSALM 46:10

- › Be still, and know that I am God.  
I will be exalted among the nations,  
I will be exalted in the earth.

» **Amen.**

CALL TO WORSHIP | FROM PSALM 118

- › Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
- » **His love endures forever.**
- › Open for me the gates of righteousness;  
I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.

» **The stone the builder rejected  
has become the capstone;  
the LORD has done this,  
and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

- › This is the day the LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- » **Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;  
his love endures forever.**

PRAYER OF ADORATION

"O WORSHIP THE KING"

O worship the King all glorious above,  
O gratefully sing his power and his love:  
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,  
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

Your bountiful care, what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;  
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
In you do we trust, nor find you to fail.  
Your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,  
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

O measureless Might, unchangeable Love,  
Whom angels delight to worship above!  
Your ransomed creation, with glory ablaze,  
In true adoration shall sing to your praise!

"THE LION AND THE LAMB"

He's coming on the clouds.  
Kings and kingdoms will bow down.  
And every chain will break  
As broken hearts declare his praise.  
For who can stop the Lord Almighty?

*Our God is the Lion, the Lion of Judah.  
He's roaring with power and fighting our battles.  
And every knee will bow before him.  
Our God is the Lamb, the Lamb that was slain  
For the sins of the world. His blood breaks the chains  
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb.  
Every knee will bow before him.*

So open up the gates;  
Make way before the King of kings.  
The God who comes to save  
Is here to set the captives free.  
For who can stop the Lord Almighty?

*Who can stop the Lord Almighty?  
Who can stop the Lord Almighty?*

## CONFESSING

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

» **Jesus Lord, in your mercy,  
by your holy life that heals us,  
by your holy death that saves us,  
by your Holy Spirit with us,  
come to cleanse these sinners that we are.  
Set us free to obey you;  
make us clear to stand before you;  
then, for your mercy, we will praise you.  
Amen.**

SILENT CONFESSION

*The Lord is steadfast, merciful, and slow to anger. He extends his mercy to us and receives us as we are. Let's bring our confessions to the Lord silently.*

## WORDS OF COMFORT

- › In the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, we are assured that there is no sin so terrible that God cannot forgive, no hurt so terrible that God cannot heal. God accepts, God forgives, and God sets free. Receive the forgiving love of God.

### » **Thanks be to God!**

#### JOINING OF NEW COVENANT PARTNERS (9:00 SERVICE)

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM | NOAH RHORER (11:00 SERVICE)

*Noah Myron Rhorer is the son of Sean and Kira Rhorer (Grove parish). Melissa Lincoln is representing the Session as the Elder holding the font. Kathy White is the prayer sponsor.*

### » **Sing together:**

*The Lord bless you and keep you,  
The Lord make his face shine upon you,  
And give you peace, and give you peace,  
And give you peace forever!*

*Please pray for Sean and Kira as they seek to raise Noah in the love and knowledge of Jesus Christ.*

#### GREETING OF PEACE

*As a new spiritual family reconciled to one another through Christ, pass the peace of Christ to one another as you're able.*

## THANKSGIVING

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#### OUR OFFERINGS | FROM 1 CHRONICLES 29:14

- › Lord, who are we that we are able to give so generously?
- » **For all things come from you and what we now offer is already yours.**

*Please be praying for our mission partner Paul Ford as he works with NOVO to equip and release the church to be the life-giving, multiplying, powerful body of Christ worldwide.*

*Want to make a gift this morning? You can drop it in the basket in the Commons or give online at [thirdrva.org/give](http://thirdrva.org/give).*

#### DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## PROCLAIMING

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#### SCRIPTURE READING | 2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-15

*Read along in your Bible or the online guide for this Sunday at [thirdrva.org/this-sunday](http://thirdrva.org/this-sunday).*

#### SERMON | "SOWING GENEROUSLY"

## RESPONDING

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#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

- › Gracious God, we pray for the faithful all over the world, that all who love you may be united in your service. We pray for the church. Lord, in your mercy,  
» **Hear our prayer.**
- › We pray for the peoples and leaders of the nations, that they may be reconciled one to another in pursuit of your justice and peace. We pray for the world. Lord, in your mercy,  
» **Hear our prayer.**
- › We pray for all who suffer from prejudice, greed, or violence, that the heart of humanity may warm with your tenderness. We pray especially for all prisoners of politics or religion and for all refugees. We pray for all who are oppressed. Lord, in your mercy,  
» **Hear our prayer.**
- › We pray for all in need because of famine, flood, or earthquake, that they may know the hope of your faithfulness through the help of others. Lord, in your mercy,  
» **Hear our prayer.**
- › We pray for the land, the sea, the sky—for your whole creation, which longs for its redemption. We pray that we may live with respect for your creation and use your gifts with reverence. We pray for the creation. Lord, in your mercy,  
» **Hear our prayer.**
- › We pray for all who suffer the pain of sickness, loneliness, fear, or loss, that those whose names are in our hearts, in the hearts of others, or known to you alone, may receive strength and courage. We pray for those in need. Lord, in your mercy,  
» **Hear our prayer.**
- › God of compassion, into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy now and forever.  
» **Amen.**

- › Gathering our prayers into one, we pray together as you taught us, saying:
- » **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory for ever. Amen.**

## SENDING

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### "I'M GONNA LIVE SO GOD CAN USE ME"

I'm gonna live so God can use me!  
Anywhere, Lord, any time.  
I'm gonna live so God can use me!  
Anywhere, Lord, any time.

I'm gonna work so God can use me!  
Anywhere, Lord, any time.  
I'm gonna work so God can use me!  
Anywhere, Lord, any time.

I'm gonna pray so God can use me!  
Anywhere, Lord, any time.  
I'm gonna pray so God can use me!  
Anywhere, Lord, any time.

I'm gonna sing so God can use me!  
Anywhere, Lord, any time.  
I'm gonna sing so God can use me!  
Anywhere, Lord, any time.

### COMMISSION AND BENEDICTION | 2 CORINTHIANS 9:8,15

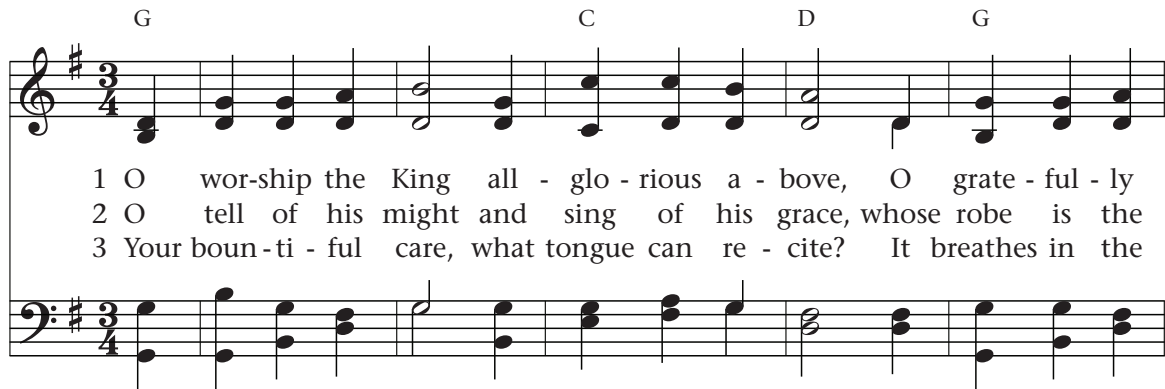
- › God is able to bless you abundantly,  
so that in all things at all times, having all that you need,  
you will abound in every good work.
- » **Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!**

### "ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING" (GORDON YOUNG)

# O WORSHIP THE KING

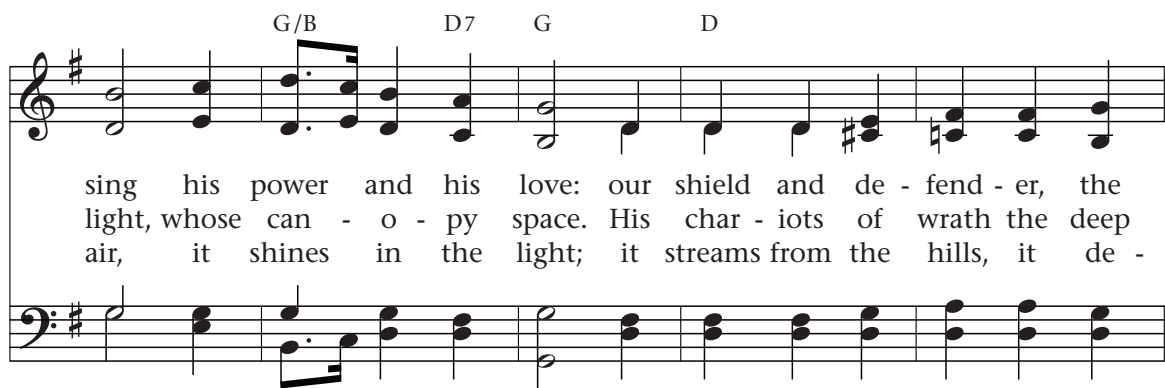
"LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS" HYMNAL #2 | V. 1,3,4,5

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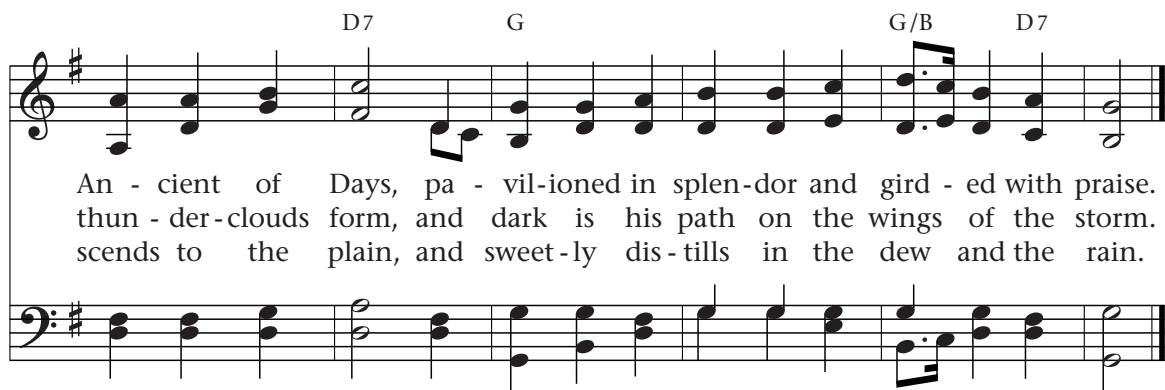
1 O wor-ship the King all - glo - rious a - bove, O grate - ful - ly  
2 O tell of his might and sing of his grace, whose robe is the  
3 Your boun-ti - ful care, what tongue can re - cite? It breathes in the

G/B D7 G D



sing his power and his love: our shield and de - fend - er, the  
light, whose can - o - py space. His char - iots of wrath the deep  
air, it shines in the light; it streams from the hills, it de -

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An - cient of Days, pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.  
thun - der - clouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.  
scends to the plain, and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.

4 Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
in you do we trust, nor find you to fail.  
Your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,  
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

5 O measureless Might, unchangeable Love,  
whom angels delight to worship above!  
Your ransomed creation, with glory ablaze,  
in true adoration shall sing to your praise!

*For another setting of Ps. 104 see 11*

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# THE LION AND THE LAMB



1. He's com - ing on the clouds. Kings and king - doms will bow down.  
2. So o - pen up the gates; make way be - fore the King of kings.



And ev' - ry chain will break as bro - ken hearts de - clare his  
The God who comes to save is here to set the cap - tives



praise. For who can stop the Lord Al - - might - y?  
free. For who can stop the Lord Al - - might - y?

## *Chorus*



Our God is\_\_ the Li - on, the Li - on\_\_ of Ju - dah.



He's roar - ing\_\_ with pow - er and fight - ing\_\_ our bat - tles.



And ev' - ry knee will bow be - fore him.



Our God is\_\_ the Lamb,\_\_ the Lamb that\_\_ was slain\_\_



for the sins of\_\_ the world.\_\_\_\_\_ his blood breaks the chains



and ev' - ry knee will bow be - fore the Li - on and the Lamb.



Ev' - ry knee will bow be - - fore him.



Who can stop the Lord Al - - might - y?



Who can stop the Lord Al - - might - y?