



# HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT, MARCH 22, 2020

## GATHERING

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### PRELUDE

#### 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.**

### SILENT PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

#### CALL TO WORSHIP | FROM PSALM 34:1-4

- › I will extol the Lord at all times;  
his praise will always be on my lips.
- » **I will glory in the Lord;  
let the afflicted hear and rejoice.**
- › Glorify the Lord with me;  
let us exalt his name together.
- » **I sought the Lord, and he answered me;  
he delivered me from all my fears.**

### PRAYER OF ADORATION

*The Psalmist invites us to extol the Lord at all times! Let's take a few moments with the people you are gathered with, or on your own, and praise God for his goodness and faithfulness even in this moment of crisis.*

### SONGS OF PRAISE

"COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING"  
"KING OF KINGS"

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MUSIC ON PAGE 3

# COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING

F Gm C F

1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy  
 2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, gird on thy  
 3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred  
 4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal

C7 F

name to sing; help us to praise.  
 might - y sword; scat - ter thy foes.  
 wit - ness bear in this glad hour.  
 prais - es be hence ev - er - more!

C7 F Gm A Dm

Fa - ther all - glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic - to - ri - ous,  
 Let thine al - might - y aid our sure de - fense be made,  
 Thou who al - might - y art, rule now in ev - ery heart,  
 Thy sov - ereign maj - es - ty may we in glo - ry see,

F Gm C7 F

come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.  
 our souls on thee be stayed; thy won - ders show.  
 and ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of power.  
 and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

Words: anonymous, 1757, alt., P.D.  
 Music (ITALIAN HYMN 6.6.4.6.6.6.4): Felice de Gardini, 1769, P.D.

# KING OF KINGS



1. In the dark - ness we were wait - ing, with - out hope, with - out light,
2. To re - veal the king - dom com - ing and to rec - on - cile the lost,
3. And the morn - ing that you rose, all of heav - en held its breath
4. And the Church of Christ was born, then the Spir - it lit the flame.



till from heav - en you came run - ning. There was merc - cy in your eyes.  
to re - deem the whole cre - a - tion you did not de - spise the cross.  
till that stone was moved for good, for the Lamb had con - quered death.  
Now this gos - pel truth of old shall not kneel, shall not faint.



To ful - fill the law and proph - ets, to a Vir - gin came the Word,  
For e - ven in your suf - f'ring, you saw to the oth - er side.  
And the dead rose from their tombs, and the an - gels stood in awe,  
By his blood and in his Name, in his free - dom I am free,



from a throne of end - less glo - ry to a cra - dle in the dirt.  
Know - ing this was our sal - va - tion, Je - sus, for our sake you died.  
for the souls of all who'd come to the Fa - ther are re - stored.  
for the love of Je - sus Christ, who has res - ur - rect - ed me.

## Chorus



*Praise the Fa - ther, praise the Son, praise the Spir - it, Three in One.*



*God of glo - ry, maj - es - ty, praise for - ev - er to the King of Kings.*

## CONFESSING

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D G/D Em/D A/D D G/B Asus A

Take, O take me as I am; sum - mon out what I shall be;

G A/G D Bm Em D Asus A

set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

- › We praise you, Holy God, for your steadfast love given to us in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Hold us by your grace, even as we have sinned against it and marred our relationship with you and our neighbor. We repent of our sins and long for you to restore us.
- » **In your great love come, cleanse, heal and help us, that we may live out our days to the praise of your grace and to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.**

### SILENT CONFESSION

#### WORDS OF COMFORT | FROM ROMANS 8:31-39

- › Who then is the one who condemns?
- » **No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.**
- › Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?
- » **I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

### GREETING OF PEACE

*As a new spiritual family reconciled to one another through Christ, use this chance to practice our new sign of peace for this moment. Offer a wave, a smile or an elbow bump to one another as a sign of peace. Say something simple like “Peace be with you,” or just simply, “Peace.” Know that in doing so, we are practicing an act of physical peace to love and protect our neighbors by not spreading sickness.*

## 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.**

To give online, visit [thirdrva.org/generosity](http://thirdrva.org/generosity).

*Please pray for our mission partner Karen Carr as she works with Barnabas International to train, consult, and coach missionaries from many organizations and nationalities so that they can share the gospel of Christ with resilience and health.*

### OFFERTORY | "BY OUR LOVE"

Brothers, let us come together; walking in the Spirit, there's much to be done.  
We will come reaching out from our comforts, and they will know us by our love.

Sisters, we were made for kindness; we can pierce the darkness as he shines through us.  
We will come reaching, with a song of healing, and they will know us by our love.

*The time is now; come, Church, arise. Love with his hands, see with his eyes.  
Bind it around you, let it never leave you, and they will know us by our love.*

Children, you are hope for justice; stand firm in the truth now, set your hearts above.  
You will be reaching long after we're gone, and they will know you by your love.

### 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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### THE APOSTLES' CREED

- › Christians, what do you believe?
- » **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 Spirit, 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 there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.
- I believe in the Holy Spirit;**
- the holy catholic church;**
- the communion of saints;**
- the forgiveness of sins;**
- the resurrection of the body;**
- and the life everlasting.**
- Amen.**

### SCRIPTURE READING | PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11

- <sup>5</sup> In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:
- <sup>6</sup> Who, being in very nature God,
  - did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;
- <sup>7</sup> rather, he made himself nothing
  - by taking the very nature of a servant,
  - being made in human likeness.
- <sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man,
  - he humbled himself
  - by becoming obedient to death—
  - even death on a cross!
- <sup>9</sup> Therefore God exalted him to the highest place
  - and gave him the name that is above every name,
- <sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
  - in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
- <sup>11</sup> and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,
  - to the glory of God the Father.
- › This is the word of the Lord.
- » **Thanks be to God!**

### MESSAGE | "JESUS CHRIST, HIS ONLY SON, OUR LORD"

## RESPONDING

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

*Spend some time praying together in response to the message, for the following topics, and for other concerns in your life and community:*

*Pray that God would guide the church to love its neighbors in this moment.*

*Pray that God would save lives from the coronavirus.*

*Pray that God would give our authorities wisdom, and our people peace and receptivity.*

*Pray that God would strengthen and bless our healthcare workers.*

*Pray that God would give wisdom and revelation to our health experts, and that treatments and vaccinations would be discovered.*

*Pray that God would equip us with ways to safely and self-sacrificially serve our local communities in this moment, especially the elderly, those with frail immune systems, people in need of work or childcare, and the uninsured who often delay needed care due to fear about financial consequences.*

- › O God our Rock,
- » **Hold us in this chaos.**
  
- › O Christ our King,
- » **Calm us in this storm.**
  
- › O Holy Spirit,
- » **Intercede for us.**
  
- » **Be merciful, most merciful God!**
  
- › O God our Rock,
- » **Hold us in the chaos of this hard hour.**
  
- › O Christ our King,
- » **Calm us in the storm of our distress.**
  
- › O Holy Spirit,
- » **Intervene and intercede.**
  
- » **We need you now, most merciful God!**

*Gathering our prayers into one, let us boldly pray as our Savior has taught us:*

- » **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.**

# MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS

F C B<sup>b</sup>

1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je - sus' blood and  
 2 When dark-ness veils his love - ly face, I rest on his un -  
 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup - port me in the  
 4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in

F C F C

right - eous - ness; I dare not trust the sweet - est frame, but  
 chang - ing grace; in ev - ery high and storm - y gale, my  
 whelm-ing flood; when all a - round my soul gives way, he  
 him be found, dressed in his right - eous - ness a - lone, fault -

B<sup>b</sup> F C (F) *Refrain* B<sup>b</sup>

whol-ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
 an - chor holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all  
 then is all my hope and stay.  
 less to stand be - fore the throne.

F C F B<sup>b</sup> Csus C7 F

oth - er ground is sink - ing sand, all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Words: Edward Mote (1797-1874), P.D.  
 Music (SOLID ROCK 8.8.8.8 refrain 8.8.8): William B. Bradbury (1816-1868), P.D.



## SENDING

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SONG OF COMMISSION

"MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS"

MUSIC ON PAGE 8

COMMISSION AND BLESSING | FROM PHILIPPIANS 4:4-7

- › Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!  
Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near.  
Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation,  
by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.
- » **And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding,  
will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.**

POSTLUDE

## SERMON NOTES

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**Today we celebrate the birth** of Charlotte Madalyn Stehle, born to Calli and Evan Stehle on February 29.