#### Welcome! Join us in worship!

#### We Will Sing of the Mercies

Psalm 89:1 We will sing of the <u>mercies</u> of the Lord forever, we will sing, we will sing. We will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, we will sing of the mercies of the L mercies = steadfast love and care With our mouths will we make known Your faithfulness, Your faithfulness. With our mouths will we make known Your faithfulness to all generations. We will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, we will sing, we will sing. We will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, we will sing of the mercies of the Lord. With our mouths will we make known Your faithfulness, Your faithfulness. With our mouths will we make known Your faithfulness to all generations. We will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, we will sing, we will sing. We will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, we will sing of the mercies of the Lord.

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#### Welcome

Pedro Nariyoshi

Portuguese

#### Isaiah 55:1-7

"Venham, todos vocês que estão com sede, venham às águas; e vocês que não possuem dinheiro algum, venham, comprem e comam!

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Venham, comprem vinho e leite sem dinheiro e sem custo. Por que gastar dinheiro naquilo que não é pão, e o seu trabalho árduo naquilo que não satisfaz? Escutem, escutem-me, e comam o que é bom, e a alma de vocês se deliciará com a mais fina refeição. Dêem-me ouvidos e venham a mim; ouçam-me, para que sua alma viva. Farei uma aliança eterna com vocês, minha fidelidade prometida a Davi. Vejam, eu o fiz uma testemunha aos povos, um líder e governante dos povos. Com certeza você convocará nações que você não conhece, e nações que não o conhecem se apressarão até você, por causa do Senhor, o seu Deus, o Santo de Israel, pois ele lhe concedeu esplendor." Busquem o Senhor enquanto é possível achá-lo; clamem por ele enquanto está perto. Que o ímpio abandone o seu caminho, e o homem mau, os seus pensamentos. Volte-se ele para o Senhor, que terá misericórdia dele; volte-se para o nosso Deus, pois ele dá de bom grado o seu perdão.

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#### English

# Isaiah 55:1-7

"Come, all you who are thirsty,

come to the waters;

and you who have no money, come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost.

Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy?

Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and you will delight in the <u>richest</u> of <u>fare</u>.

Give ear and come to me; listen, that you may live.

I will make an everlasting <u>covenant</u> with you, my faithful love promised to David.

See, I have made him a witness to the peoples, a ruler and commander of the peoples.

Surely you will <u>summon</u> nations you know not, and nations you do not know will come running to you,

because of the Lord your God,

the Holy One of Israel,

for he has endowed you with splendor."

Seek the Lord while he may be found;

call on him while he is near.

Let the wicked forsake their ways and the unrighteous their thoughts.

Let them turn to the Lord, and he will have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will freely <u>pardon</u>.

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Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

richest = highest quality fare = food and drink covenant = solemn promise summon = invite endowed = give with great honor

pardon = forgive

## **Only a Holy God**

Who else commands all the <u>hosts of heaven</u>?Who else could make every king bow down?Who else can whisper and darkness trembles?Only a Holy God!What other beauty <u>demands</u> such praises?

What other <u>splendor</u> outshines the sun? What other <u>majesty</u> rules with justice? Only a Holy God!

*Come and <u>behold</u> Him, the One and the Only. <u>Cry out</u>, sing holy, forever a Holy God. <i>Come and worship the Holy God.* 

What other glory <u>consumes</u> like fire? What other power can raise the dead? What other name remains undefeated? Only a Holy God.

*Come and <u>behold</u> Him, the One and the Only. <u>Cry out</u>, sing holy, forever a Holy God. <i>Come and worship the Holy God.* 

Who else could rescue us from our <u>failing</u>?Who else would offer His only <u>Son</u>?Who else invites us to call Him Father?Only a Holy God. Only our Holy God.

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hosts of heaven = angels demands = requires splendor = magnificence majesty = royal power **behold** = see Cry out = Shout out loud consumes = overwhelms and destroys smaller glories failing = immoral actions and attitudes Son = Jesus Christ

Michael Farren, Jonny Robinson, Dustin Smith, Rich Thompson ©2016 CityAlight Music, #7073332 Kau Rajaku (You're My King) Bahasa Indonesian Dimuliakan (Be glorified) Ditinggikan (Be lifted up) Yesus Tuhan (Lord Jesus) Kau Rajaku (You're my King) Yang bertahta (The One on the throne) Yang berkuasa (The One who has the power) Yesus Tuhan (Lord Jesus) Kau Rajaku (You're my King) Dimuliakan (Be glorified) Ditinggikan (Be lifted up) Yesus Tuhan (Lord Jesus) Kau Rajaku (You're my King) Yang bertahta (The One on the throne) Yang berkuasa (The One who has the power) Yesus Tuhan (Lord Jesus) Kau Rajaku (You're my King) Dimuliakan (Be glorified) Ditinggikan (Be lifted up) Yesus Tuhan (Lord Jesus) Kau Rajaku (You're my King) Yang bertahta (The One on the throne) Yang berkuasa (The One who has the power) Yesus Tuhan (Lord Jesus) Kau Rajaku (You're my King) Yesus Tuhan (Lord Jesus) Kau Rajaku (You're my King)

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#### Akash Surjya

## **Prayer of Confession**

#### Leader:

Let us come before God with humble hearts, confessing our sins and seeking His mercy.

## All:

Merciful God,

We confess that we have sinned against You

in thought, word, and deed,

By what we have done and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved You with our whole heart;

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ,

Have mercy on us and forgive us,

That we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, To the glory of Your Name. Amen.

# 1 John 1:8,9 (ESV)

"If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins,

He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins

and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

# Words of Assurance

## Leader:

Hear the good news of the gospel! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made new.

# Romans 8:1,2 (ESV)

"There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death."

# Psalm 103:12 (ESV)

"As far as the east is from the west, so far does He remove our transgressions from us."

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#### Leader:

Dear Brothers and sisters, in Christ, let us be assured that we are forgiven. Let us continue to Walk in the freedom and joy of our salvation.

#### All:

Thanks be to God!

# Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

What gift of <u>grace</u> is Jesus, my <u>Redeemer</u>.There is no more for heaven now to give.He is my joy, my <u>righteousness</u> and freedom, my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.

To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus.

For my life is <u>wholly bound</u> to His.

Oh, how <u>strange</u> and divine, I can sing: all is mine Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

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grace = gift of forgiveness, love, and life
Redeemer = rescuer
righteousness = right-standing with Go
wholly bound = completely dependent upon
strange = undeserved
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The night is dark, but I am not forsaken,

for by my side, the Savior He will stay.

I labor on in weakness and rejoicing,

for in my need, His power is displayed.

To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me.

Through the deepest valley He will lead.

Oh, the night has been <u>won</u> and I shall overcome! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

dark = without hope
won = victory where all hope had been lost

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No <u>fate</u> I <u>dread</u>, I know I am forgiven, the future <u>sure</u>, the price, it has been paid. For Jesus bled and suffered for my <u>pardon</u>, and He was raised to <u>overthrow the grave</u>.

To this I hold: my <u>sin</u> has been defeated.
Jesus now, and <u>ever</u>, is my <u>plea</u>.
Oh, the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

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fate = unavoidable trouble
dread = fear
sure = promised goodness
pardon = forgiveness
overthrow the grave = bring life after death
sin = actions, words, or attitudes that are
immoral or disloyal to God
ever = forever
plea = advocate
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With every breath, I long to follow Jesus,

for He has said that He will bring me home.

And day by day I know He will renew me

until I stand with joy before the throne.

To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus,

All the <u>glory</u> evermore to Him.

When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:

Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus,

All the <u>glory</u> evermore to Him.

When the <u>race is complete</u>, still my lips shall repeat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

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home = with God throne = in God's presence glory = praise race is complete = life is done Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, and Michael Farren ©2018 CityAlight Music, Farren Love And War, Publishing Integrity's Alleluia! Music, #7121852

#### **Announcements & Greetings**

#### Lansing Lugnuts Baseball Game

Sunday, August 17 after the worship service

Lugnuts Baseball Game, a great time to:

- invite friends
- hang out with Crossway people!

Cost: \$13/person

Let John Bankson know today

# Women & Daughters of Crossway

You're invited to a special celebration for **Olamide** Lawrence as she and Taiwo prepare to welcome their **baby girl**! **v** 

Join us for a time of prayer, stories, food & fellowship.

📅 Sat, July 26 | Ö 4–7 PM

At the Onyes' home: 4430 Satinwood Dr, Okemos, MI

Come with your presence, wisdom, and love. Optional registry: <u>amazon.com/baby-reg/olamide...</u> We'd love to see you there!

On the last and the greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "Let anyone who is thirty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as foripture has said. Tivers of living water flow from within them." JoHN 7:37-38





#### John Bankson

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Prayers of Intercession

## Tom & Stacey Bieler Hailene Yzdeen

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Jude 24-25

To him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy— to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen.

# Community

1 Timothy 2:1-4

I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.

# His Glory and My Good

I have seen my Father's glory revealed in Jesus Christ. And the more that I behold Him, the more He satisfies.

When I <u>gaze upon</u> His beauty, when I see Him as I should then my eyes are lifted upward for His glory and my good.

There is hope in every trial for I can trust the Lord. He will turn my heart towards Him and help me <u>bear the thorn</u>.

So in faith I follow Jesus on the <u>road not understood</u> for I know that He is working for His glory and my good.

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**gaze upon** = look at with admiration

**bear the thorn** = endure hard things with hope

road not understood = season of life that is hard and confusing John Bonnell

Daniel & Rachel Foster

Pastor John

To our God be the glory, to our God be praise. He alone, the Name above all names. I will boast ever only in the Lord my God for I know His glory is my good. See the open arms of Jesus charge = accusation of upon the cross that day. wrongdoing What they understood as weakness deserves my every praise. For the charge that was against me, it was nailed into the wood. Yes, I know that He has saved me for His glory and my good. To our God be the glory, to our God be praise. He alone, the Name above all names. I will boast ever only in the Lord my God for I know His glory is my good. Would I gladly be made nothing that Christ would be made more. Would I seek the only Kingdom that far outweighs them all. I will stand before my Father where the faithful saints have stood and with joy my heart shall praise Him for His glory and my good. And with joy my heart shall praise Him for His glory and my good. To our God be the glory, to our God be praise. He alone, the Name above all names. I will boast ever only in the Lord my God for I know His glory is my good. To our God be the glory, to our God be praise. He alone, the Name above all names. I will boast ever only in the Lord my God for I know His glory is my good. Yes, I know His glory is my good.

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faithful saints = God's people who were faithful in suffering

# John 7-8, New International Version

# 7:1-9: People hated Jesus because of His moral authority

[VERSES 7:1-5: JESUS' BROTHERS MOCKINGLY TOLD JESUS TO GO TO THE FEAST WITH A DRAMATIC ENTRY]

<sup>6</sup> Therefore Jesus told them, "My time is not yet here; for you any time will do. <sup>7</sup> The world cannot hate you, but it hates me because I testify that its works are evil. <sup>8</sup> You go to the festival. I am not going up to this festival, because my time has not yet fully come." <sup>9</sup> After he had said this, he stayed in Galilee.

# 7:10-13: The question people were asking: Is Jesus good or is he a deceiver?

<sup>10</sup> However, after his brothers had left for the festival, he went also, not publicly, but in secret. <sup>11</sup> Now at the festival the Jewish leaders were watching for Jesus and asking, "Where is he?"

 $^{\rm 12}$  Among the crowds there was widespread whispering about him. Some said, "He is a good man."

Others replied, "No, he deceives the people." <sup>13</sup> But no one would say anything publicly about him for fear of the leaders.

# 7:14-36: In the middle of the feast: Was Jesus' teaching from God?

<sup>14</sup> Not until halfway through the festival did Jesus go up to the temple courts and begin to teach. <sup>15</sup> The Jews there were amazed and asked, "How did this man get such learning without having been taught?"

<sup>16</sup> Jesus answered, "My teaching is not my own. It comes from the one who sent me. <sup>17</sup> Anyone who chooses to do the will of God will find out whether my teaching comes from God or whether I speak on my own."

[VERSES 7:18-29: A DEBATE RAGES ABOUT A MIRACLE JESUS DID THAT WENT AGAINST THE RULES OF THE JEWISH LEADERS]

<sup>30</sup> At this they tried to seize him, but no one laid a hand on him, because his hour had not yet come. <sup>31</sup> Still, many in the crowd believed in him. They said, "When the Messiah comes, will he perform more signs than this man?"

<sup>32</sup> The Pharisees heard the crowd whispering such things about him. Then the chief priests and the Pharisees sent temple guards to arrest him.

[VERSES 7:33-36: JESUS SPEAKS CRYPTICALLY ABOUT GOING BACK TO BE WITH GOD IN HEAVEN]

# 7:37-8:57: On the greatest day of the fast: Jesus claimed to be the source of life and light and freedom

<sup>37</sup> On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. <sup>38</sup> Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them." <sup>39</sup> By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

[VERSES 7:40-8:11: THE DEBATE RAGED ON, AND RELIGIOUS LEADERS WANTED TO SEIZE JESUS (PLUS A SHORT STORY THAT CLEARLY IS OUT OF CONTEXT)]

**8:12** When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

[VERSES 8:13-30: THE DEBATE RAGED ON, WITH SOME PEOPLE BELIEVING IN HIM]

<sup>31</sup> To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples.<sup>32</sup> Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

[VERSES 8:33-46: THE DEBATE RAGED ON ABOUT CONNECTIONS WITH GOD]

Jesus said to them, "47 Whoever belongs to God hears what God says. The reason you do not hear is that you do not belong to God."

[VERSES 8:48-57: THE DEBATED RAGED ON ABOUT RULES FOR WITNESSES IN TESTIMONY]

# 8:58-59: Jesus claimed to be God, and they rejected Him

<sup>58</sup> "Very truly I tell you," Jesus answered, "before Abraham was born, I am!" <sup>59</sup> At this, they picked up stones to stone him, but Jesus hid himself, slipping away from the temple grounds.

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# The Big Idea

Life, Light, and Freedom come by submitting to Jesus as Almighty God

### Implications

- > Submit to what is real and to Jesus as God
- > Rejoice that Jesus gives life, light and freedom
- > Pursue life, light and freedom in Christ alone

#### **Living Hope**

How great the chasm that lay between us. How high the mountain I could not climb. In desperation I turned to heaven and spoke Your Name into the night. Then through the darkness Your lovingkindness tore through the shadows of my soul. The work is finished, the end is written, chasm = giant Jesus Christ, my living hope. separation Who could imagine so great a mercy? desperation = What heart could fathom such boundless grace? having lost almost all hope The God of ages stepped down from glory fathom = fully to wear my sin and bear my shame. understand The cross has <u>spoken</u>, I am forgiven, grace = the King of kings calls me His own. forgiveness and love Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever, wear = take as Jesus Christ, my living hope. His own <u>Hallelujah</u>, praise the One who set me free! bear = take Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me! responsibility for You have broken every chain. spoken = There's salvation in Your Name, declared my Jesus Christ, my living hope. forgiveness Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free! Halleluiah = Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me! Praise the Lord! You have broken every chain. grip = control over There's salvation in Your Name, sealed = fully Jesus Christ, my living hope. accomplished Then came the morning that sealed the promise, Roaring Lion = Your buried body began to breathe. Jesus Christ in victorv Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion claim on = declared the grave has no <u>claim on</u> me. control over Then came the morning that <u>sealed</u> the promise, Your buried body began to breathe. Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion declared the grave has no claim on me. Jesus, Yours is the victory! (continued)

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<u>Hallelujah</u>, praise the One who set me free! <u>Hallelujah</u>, death has lost its <u>grip</u> on me!
You have broken every chain. There's salvation in Your Name,
Jesus Christ, my living hope.
<u>Hallelujah</u>, praise the One who set me free! <u>Hallelujah</u>, death has lost its <u>grip</u> on me!
You have broken every chain. There's salvation in Your Name,
Jesus Christ, my living hope.
Jesus Christ, my living hope! O God, You are my living hope!

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#### Sophia Cheng, Xiaoge Wang

# Baptism

Questions

- Is Jesus your Savior and Lord?
- Do you put your trust in Jesus Christ alone for your salvation?
- Do you want to follow all of God's ways, by His grace, especially loving God completely and loving your neighbor as yourself?
- Do you realize that while God's forgiveness covers all of your sins—past, present, and future—ongoing confession and repentance are essential to a healthy Christian life?
- Do you agree to pursue fellowship with God's people in a local church?

# **Amazing Grace**

Amazing <u>grace</u>! How sweet the sound that saved a <u>wretch</u> like me!
I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.
<u>'Twas</u> grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!
Through many dangers, <u>toils</u>, and <u>snares</u>, I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,

and grace will lead me home.

grace = God's gift of forgiveness and love

wretch = a mess of a person

**toils** = hard, frustrating work

**snares** = things that trip me

**home** = heaven, with God

When we've been there ten thousand years,

bright shining as the sun,

we've no less days to sing God's praise

than when we'd first begun.

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## Benediction

John 7:37,38

On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice,

"Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them."

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