

Sunday, August 1, 2021

Welcome & Preparation: Bob Cuthel

Song of Worship: Sing to the King

Sing to the King who is coming to reign Glory to Jesus the Lamb that was slain Life and salvation His empire shall bring Joy to the nations, when Jesus is King

So come, let us sing a song,
A song declaring we belong to Jesus
And He's all we need
Lift up a heart of praise,
Sing now with voices raised to Jesus-Sing to the King!

For His returning we watch and we pray
We will be ready the dawn of that day
We'll join in singing with all the redeemed
Satan is vanquished and Jesus is King!

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A song declaring we belong to Jesus
And He's all we need
Lift up a heart of praise,
Sing now with voices raised to Jesus-Sing to the King! (Repeat)

## **Prayer of Adoration:**

## **Silent Praise & Thanksgiving:**

**Scripture Reading:** 

Acts 17:16-28

Hannah Faye Huizing

Now while Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, "What does this babbler wish to say?" Others said, "He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities"—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. And they took him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, "May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean." Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: "Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription: To the unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, for

"'In him we live and move and have our being';

as even some of your own poets have said,

"'For we are indeed his offspring.'

## Call to Worship: from Psalm 27 and John 4

Leader: Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.

All: The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.

Leader: We desire to live in God's house and to seek God in his holy temple.

All: We have come with shouts of joy, to sing and to make music to the

Lord.

Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

All: Teach us your ways and make straight our paths in this hour of

worship and always.

# Songs of Worship: Crown Him with Many Crowns

Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne.
Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns All music but its own.
Awake, my soul and sing Of Him Who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King Through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love, Behold His hands and side, Rich wounds, yet visible above, In beauty glorified. No angel in the sky Can fully bear that sight, But downward bends his wond'ring eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of life, Who triumphed o'er the grave, Who rose victorious in the strife For those He came to save. His glories now we sing, Who died, and rose on high, Who died eternal life to bring, And lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, One with the Father known, One with the Spirit through Him giv'n From yonder glorious throne, To Thee be endless praise For Thou for us hast died; Be Thou, O Lord, through endless days Adored and magnified.

## All Creatures Of Our God And King

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and let us sing,
O Praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam!
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along, O praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou rising moon, in praise rejoice, Ye lights of evening, find a voice!
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Come, everyone of tender heart,
Forgiving others, take your part,
O sing ye! Alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
Praise God and on Him cast your care!
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost!
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem And crown him Lord of all. Bring forth the royal diadem And crown him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, Ye ransomed from the fall, Hail him who saves you by his grace And crown him Lord of all. Hail him who saves you by his grace And crown him Lord of all.

Let every kindred, every tribe On this terrestrial ball To him all majesty ascribe And crown him Lord of all. To him all majesty ascribe And crown him Lord of all.

Oh, that with yonder sacred throng We at his feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song And crown him Lord of all. We'll join the everlasting song And crown him Lord of all.

## **GraceCamp Highlights:**

Children's Dismissal and Announcements: Fill out our Connection Card. www.gracehamptons.org/connect

- Congregational Prayer Meeting Today after the worship service.
- **GraceYouth Group at the Beach** 6:30PM at W Scott Cameron Beach (The Cut). Join us for a bonfire and Nuke Um Volleyball! Contact Lesley Middlekauff (lesleym@gracehamptons.org) with any questions.
- Outdoor Worship Service Sunday, August 15 at 10AM. No livestream.
- Guys Night Out! Enjoy a fun night at the Southampton Golf Range. Bring some cash and invite your friends! They also have great burgers, drinks, mini golf and batting cages. Contact Nate Burns with any questions: <a href="mailto:nathanielburns@gmail.com">nathanielburns@gmail.com</a> or 631-875-1865
- Clambake at Long Beach! Saturday, August 21 at 6PM, at Long Beach (Foster Memorial Beach) in Sag Harbor. Join us for our FIRST EVER Clambake! We are so excited to get together, enjoy a beautiful beach and a wonderful meal. Invite your friends and family and join us for what is bound to be the best party of the summer! Contact Nate Burns with any questions: <a href="mailto:nathanielburns@gmail.com">nathanielburns@gmail.com</a> or 631-875-1865

• Ladies Night Out – Paddle! Tuesday, August 31, 6PM, at Towd Point. Join us for our annual evening of kayak/paddle adventures! This will be one of your favorite nights of the summer! Contact Adriana Pariz (adriana@gracehamptons.org) with any questions.

**Offertory:** An offertory basket is available as you exit, or you may give via

phone by texting the dollar amount to (631) 405-4483. To give

online, click here.

# **Prayer of Confession:**

Merciful Lord, we confess that with us there is an abundance of sin, but in you there is the fullness of righteousness and abundance of mercy. We are spiritually poor, but you are rich, and in Jesus Christ came to be merciful to the poor. Strengthen our faith and trust in you. We are empty vessels that need to be filled; fill us. We are weak in faith; strengthen us. We are cold in love; warm us and make our hearts fervent for you that our love may go out to one another and to our neighbors. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Private Confession:**

Words of Encouragement: Isaiah 1:18

Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

**Prayer of the People:** Jason Kohler

**Sermon Text:** 

Revelation 21:1-8

<sup>1</sup> Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. <sup>4</sup> He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

<sup>5</sup> And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." <sup>6</sup> And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. <sup>7</sup> The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son. <sup>8</sup> But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the detestable, as for murderers, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, their portion will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death."

Sermon: All Things New, Pt. 2 Rev. John Rantal

The Lord's Supper:

Hymn of Response: Come Thou Fount

Come, thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer; Hither by thy help I'm come; And I hope, by thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed his precious blood. O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love----Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for thy courts above.

**Benediction:** Jude 1:24-25

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

### **Dismissal:**

Minister: Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and

Savior Jesus Christ.

All: Hallelujah, Amen!

Rev. John S. Rantal is a minister (honorably retired) of the Presbyterian Church in America. Pastoring was John's third career, having worked previously as a NASA Protocol Officer during the Apollo moon landings, Skylab, and Space Shuttle programs. He then served as a missionary executive with International Students, Inc. (ISI), a Christian outreach to international students attending American colleges. He has ministered at PCA churches in Colorado Springs, CO, Los Angeles, CA, Dallas, TX, and Seattle, WA. John and his wife, Cindy, have been blessed with three grown children and seven grandchildren, and now reside on Long Island, NY.