

2. *Who could imagine so great a mercy?*

What heart could fathom such boundless grace?

The God of ages stepped down from glory to wear my sin and bear my shame.

The cross has spoken; I am forgiven. The King of kings calls me his own.

Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever. Jesus Christ, my living hope

Chorus: Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free!

Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me!

You have broken every chain. There's salvation in your name.

Jesus Christ, my living hope.

3. *Then came the morning that sealed the promise,
your buried body began to breathe.*

Out of the silence, the roaring Lion declared the grave has no claim on me.

(repeat)

Jesus, yours is the victory. (to chorus)

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Sending

*Sending Prayer & Benediction

*Closing Song: "Oh, to See the Dawn"

LUYH 177:1-3

1. *Oh, to see the dawn of the darkest day: Christ on the road to Calvary.*

Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then nailed to a cross of wood.

Chorus: This the power of the cross: Christ became sin for us.

Took the blame, bore the wrath, we stand forgiven at the cross.

2. *Oh, to see the pain written on your face, bearing the awesome weight of sin.*

Every bitter thought, every evil deed crowning Your bloodstained brow.

3. *Now the daylight flees, now the ground beneath
quakes as its Maker bows his head.*

Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life; 'Finished!' the victory cry.

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*Passing the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you

and also with you.

Worship Participants

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Hearing Assistance

An FM hearing assistance system is available for those who need it. Consult the sound operator for assistance.



Psalm 25:4, 10

Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.

† The labyrinth is an ancient spiritual tool and was often used as a form of pilgrimage for those who couldn't go on a literal pilgrimage. By walking one or tracing one with their finger, many Christians use a labyrinth as a way to pray and meditate, asking God to guide them through the twists and turns of life, seeking Christ as the center.

Gathering

Welcome & Prayer of Invocation

*Call to Worship: Psalm 107:1-3

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O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever.

**Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,
those he redeemed from trouble
and gathered in from the lands,
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.**

Today, to this place, to us,
come, Lord Jesus, come.

*Song: "Oh Give Thanks (Psalm 107)"

- We were wand'ring in the desert with our souls so starved and weak.
We were hungry for a homeland we did not know how to seek.
But we lifted up our voices to the only One who hears;
and the God of mercy came and brought us near.***
- We were locked out of the garden, and our backs bent down with pain.
In the shadow of death's darkness, we were slaves to sin and blame.
Then we cried out in our labor to the only One who hears,
and the God of mercy wiped away our tears.***

*Chorus: Oh, give thanks to the Lord for His love endures forever!
We were wandering and lost, and our Father brought us home,
to a safe dwelling place, to a feast of joy and laughter.
Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!*

- We were fools in our rebellion, with our hunger strike of pride.
We were sick and growing closer to the death we should have died.
Then he heard of our condition, and he called us by our names;
And the God of glory took away our shame. (to chorus)***
- We were far out on the ocean, making wealth and chasing dreams,
but the waves of great destruction brought us tremb'ling to our knees,
and we cried like drunken sailors to the only One who hears,
and the God of comfort took away our fears. (to chorus)***

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*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

The Institution: 1 Corinthians 11

Memorial Acclamation

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.
Dying, he destroyed our death. Rising, he restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Prayer of Consecration, concluding with the Lord's Prayer

**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. Lead
us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the king-
dom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

The Invitation

*We invite you to come down the center aisle to the communion table. You may partake at
the table or take it back to your seats. Gluten-free bread is available on the table.*

Communion Song: "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

LUYH 825

- Beneath the cross of Jesus, I find a place to stand,
and wonder at such mercy that calls me as I am.
For hands that should discard me hold wounds which tell me, "Come."
Beneath the cross of Jesus, my unworthy soul is won.***
- Beneath the cross of Jesus, his family is my own.
Once strangers chasing selfish dreams, now one through grace alone.
How could I now dishonor the ones that you have loved?
Beneath the cross of Jesus, see the children called by God.***
- Beneath the cross of Jesus, the path before the crown,
we follow in his footsteps where promised hope is found.
How great the joy before us to be his perfect bride.
Beneath the cross of Jesus, we will gladly live our lives.***

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Communion Song: "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. Jesus Christ, my living hope.***

*Song of Response: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

LUYH 348

**1. Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.**

*Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided.
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

**2. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. [Refrain]**

**3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow—
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]**

Words: Thomas O. Chisholm; Music: William M. Runyan, © 1951 Hope Publishing Company

Table

The Invitation

Dear friends, we are on the road to Jerusalem with Jesus.

He is our pardon, our healing, and our peace!

We will suffer the trial with him, resisting evil.

With him, we will walk the path to life.

But come first to the table where there is food for the journey.

With hearts full of joy we come,

giving thanks to God, our maker,

and offering our praise!

We are right to praise you, faithful God! You answer sin with grace; you guide our wayward steps toward home. You are mending for the broken, safety for the poor, belonging for the outcast, strength for the weak, and pardon for the sinner. You reveal your kindness in every sorrow, your mercy even in death. All your creatures see your works; they sing your steadfast love. We too declare your wonder and grace as with angels and saints we sing:

Song: "Trisagion (Thrice Holy)"

**Holy God, holy and mighty, Holy Immortal One,
have mercy, have mercy on us.**

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*Song: "Good to Me"

LUYH 620

**I cry out for your hand of mercy to heal me.
I am weak; I need your love to free me.
O Lord, my rock, my strength in weakness—come rescue me, O Lord.**

**You are my hope; your promise never fails me.
And my desire is to follow you forever.
For you are good, for you are good, for you are good to me.
For you are good, for you are good, for you are good to me.**

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Repentance & Renewal

Words of Confession & Assurance: Psalm 107:4-32 p.947
with "The Steadfast Love of the Lord" LUYH 347

**The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;
God's mercies never come to an end.
They are new every morning, new every morning;
great is your faithfulness, O Lord, great is your faithfulness.**

Words: Lamentations 3:22-23; Music: Edith McNeill © 1974, 1975 Celebration

Invitation to Giving

Offering our gifts is an important part of our response to God—connecting our worship with a life of discipleship—and is a way to participate in the ministry of Covenant CRC here in this building and around the world. Offering boxes are available, or check your bulletin announcements for more ways to give.

Prayers for the Church and World

Word

Children's Blessing: "Jesus Loves Me" LUYH 709:1

**Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

Words: Anna B. Warner; Music: William B. Bradbury

Children ages 3 years old through kindergarten are invited to a time of worship designed especially for young children. Our young guests are welcome to participate in this service.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 107:33-43 p.948

Message: "Steadfast Story" Pastor Joel Kok