



———— Order of Worship ————

May 24, 2020

10:45am

Welcome to Liberty Church

Announcements

Silent Reflection & Meditation - *Revelation 4*

Call to Worship & Invocation - *Revelation 4:11*

Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob! Raise a song; sound the tambourine, the sweet lyre with the harp. Blow the trumpet at the new moon, at the full moon, on our feast day.

Gathering Hymn - *Behold Our God* (Bob Kauflin, | Sovereign Grace)

Who has held the oceans in his hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at his voice
All creation rises to rejoice

Chorus

Behold our God, seated on his throne
Come, let us adore him
Behold our king, nothing can compare
Come, let us adore him!

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of his words?
Who can teach, the one who knows all things?
Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds? (*chorus*)

Who has felt the nails upon his hands?
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man
God eternal, humbled to the grave
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign (*chorus*)

Confession of Sin

Father, we come to you needy and broken, full of lust for the things of this world. We have drank from broken wells, which can hold no water. It is You, the Fount of Living Water that we need! Forgive us for making much of what we can see, taste, touch, and smell, and not making much of true religion - loving You with all our hearts, loving our neighbor as ourself, and walking with You by faith. Turn our eyes back to you, our Heavenly Father who cares so much for us and call us His child.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon - *Psalm 91*:

Death is swallowed up in victory. 'O Death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting? The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Hymn of Praise - *How Great Thou Art*

(Carl Boberg / Stuart K. Hine)

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed

Chorus

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou Art!
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How great Thou art, how great Thou Art!
And when I think that God His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on that cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin. (*chorus*)

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow with humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art! (*chorus*)

Reading of Scripture - 2 Corinthians 12:1-10

12:1 I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. 2 I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. 3 And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— 4 and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. 5 On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses— 6 though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth; but I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. 7 So to keep me from becoming conceited because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from becoming conceited. 8 Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. 9 But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. 10 For the sake of Christ,

then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities.
For when I am weak, then I am strong.

Shepherding Prayer - *Elder Michael Anderson*

Receiving of Tithes & Offerings

Sermon “Walking in Weakness, Walking in Power”
Craig Coulbourn

Hymn of Response - *In Christ Alone*

Stewart Townend / Keith Getty | Kristian Stanfill

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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Benediction

Prayer List

For our church family and needs in the body:

- For the residents of Carroll Lutheran Village where many of our congregation reside, as they recently announced there are some cases of the coronavirus. Pray that the virus does not spread throughout the population there.
- For financial stability and emotional support for those impacted by the coronavirus restrictions.
- For members isolated in their independent living and/or assisted living facilities.
- For families with children at all levels of schooling and education as they struggle with home teaching, missed classes, cancelled graduations and course schedule disruptions.
- Wisdom for school administrators as they plan for the fall.
- For Jan Duty and her family as she has completed her chemotherapy; pray that it will be effective in treating her cancer.
- For Pastor Nathan and the church members assisting him to prepare for services planned for Sunday.
- For deacons and the many committees still working to keep our church's spiritual and business needs running
- For family members separated due to illness or injury and the current restrictions on visitation.
- For widows and widowers who are more isolated at this time, lonely and frightened, that God would provide them with comfort.

For extended family, friends and others:

- Pray for Maxine Saylor's sister, Char, who had part of her thyroid removed along with a cancerous tumor.
- Pray for Maxine Saylor's sister Jeanine's grandson, Mason, who was diagnosed with leukemia and is undergoing radiation. Mason is five years old
- For Vince Rosso (Mary Caldwell's son) who has prostate cancer.
- For staff serving in hospitals, nursing homes, assisted living and long-term care, for safety from coronavirus spread and personal safety
- For local, State and Federal managers for wisdom in their response to the pandemic.
- For first responders and our military and their families spiritual, emotional and physical health.
- For members of essential businesses who continue to provide needed services to us.

For Liberty Christian School:

- For students being taught at home, for their spiritual as well as intellectual growth.
- For teachers in this trying time, instructing parents in how to teach at home.
- For staff who have been laid off, for their spiritual, financial and emotional health.
- For school administration as they continue to make decisions and respond to governmental regulatory changes over the school and its ministry.
- For ongoing financial support from enrolled families whose children are unable to attend class on campus.

For our Missionaries:

Please pray for the following mission and missionaries that Liberty Church supports:

- MTW missionaries who are ministering to many people at risk in Belize, Ethiopia, Haiti, Malawi, Uganda, West Africa, and other countries.

- The indigenous people have to work for the food they eat that day. If they can't leave their home, they can't work. They can't eat. They can't feed their children. And so they go out and put themselves at risk because of the COVID-19.
- To provide funds to help these people, donate to MTW's Compassion Fund (https://www.mtw.org/coronavirus-update?utm_source=email_covid19-ask&utm_medium=email_ask&utm_campaign=covid19_ask_email).
- Center for Pregnancy Concerns, located in Essex, Arbutus, and two locations in Baltimore City:
 - Praise God for the progress made in rehabilitating the building on Howard St for their new center, next to Planned Parenthood! The GRAND OPENING is still on target for this summer.
 - Pray for full-time, part-time, and volunteer sonographers, nurse managers and peer counselors for this new center.
 - Also praise for the donations to cover a new website to help clients only and to update their present main website.
 - Pray for their timely completion.
 - Wisdom for consolidating the Dundalk Center in the the Essex Center.
 - Encouragement in dealing with the frustrations in delivering supplies and services to their clients during the ongoing epidemic.
 - Continued supplies to help new mothers. Commodities are in short supply, but you can help by going to following website and donating something:
 - https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1I47MWI8JXU2O?ref=wl_share
- Praise God for over thirty years of faithful service of one of our missionary couples.
 - Pray for them as they transition into retirement.
 - Pray also for healing of one of their family members.