



Redeemer Presbyterian Church West Side

July 4, 2021

Prelude | *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* (Thomas Chisholm/William Runyon)

Welcome | Milla Nieminen

Call to Worship | *Psalm 98*

Leader: The LORD has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations. Shout for joy
before the LORD, the King!

All: **Let the sea resound, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it!**

Song of Praise | Good, Good Father

I've heard a thousand stories of what they think you're like
But I've heard the tender whispers of love in the dead of night
And you tell me that you're pleased and that I'm never alone

*You're a good good father. It's who you are, it's who you are, it's who you are
And I'm loved by you. It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am*

I've seen many searching for answers far and wide
But I know we're all searching for answers only you provide
'Cause you know just what we need before we say a word [*chorus*]

Because you are perfect in all of your ways
You are perfect in all of your ways; you are perfect in all of your ways to us

Oh, it's love so undeniable I, I can hardly speak
Peace so unexplainable I, I can hardly think
As you call me deeper still, as you call me deeper still
As you call me deeper still, into love, love, love [*chorus*]

Because you are perfect in all of your ways
You are perfect in all of your ways; You are perfect in all of your ways to us

Song of Praise | Bless the Lord

*Bless the Lord oh my soul, oh my soul, worship His Holy name
Sing like never before, oh my soul, I'll worship Your Holy name*

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again. Whatever may pass
And whatever lies before me, let me be singing
When the evening comes [*chorus*]

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find [*chorus*]

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore [*chorus*]

Prayer of Adoration (*concluded by 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Doxology

All ye who are of tender heart, forgiving others take your part. O praise him alleluia
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on him cast your care
O praise him O praise him Allelulia Allelulia Allelulia

Let all things their creator bless and worship him with humbleness. O praise him, Allelulia
Praise praise the Father praise the Son and praise the spirit Three in One
O praise him O praise him Allelulia Allelulia Allelulia

Prayer of Confession *(in unison)*

Lord Jesus, our lives are cluttered with too many things and too much to do. We are driven by our desire to succeed and often lose our way. Forgive us for seeking ultimate satisfaction in anything but You. Let us find the one thing we truly need – to sit at Your feet. Amen.

Words of Encouragement | *John 1:16-17*

Out of his fullness we have all received grace in place of grace already given. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

Song of Praise | *Amazing Love*

I'm forgiven because you were forsaken
I'm accepted, You were condemned
I'm alive and well, Your spirit is within me
Because you died and rose again

*Amazing love, how can it be? That you, my king. Would die for me
Amazing love, I know it's true, it's my joy to honor you
Amazing love, how can it be? That my king would die for me
Amazing love I know it's true, it's my joy to honor you
In all I do I honor you*

I'm forgiven because you were forsaken
I'm accepted, you were condemned
I'm alive and well, Your spirit is within me
Because you died and rose again *[chorus]*

Prayers of the People

Greeting & Announcement | WS Women Mentoring applications: westside.redeemer.com/wswmentoring
Community Picnic: Today at 12 pm. Bring lunch. Meet near the Central Park 81st St entrance.

Scripture Reading | *Ecclesiastes 1:1-11 (ESV)*

¹ The words of the Preacher, the son of David, king in Jerusalem.

² Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher,
vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

³ What does man gain by all the toil
at which he toils under the sun?

⁴ A generation goes, and a generation comes,
but the earth remains forever.

⁵ The sun rises, and the sun goes down,
and hastens to the place where it rises.

⁶ The wind blows to the south
and goes around to the north;
around and around goes the wind,
and on its circuits the wind returns.

⁷ All streams run to the sea,
but the sea is not full;
to the place where the streams flow,
there they flow again.

⁸ All things are full of weariness;
a man cannot utter it;
the eye is not satisfied with seeing,
nor the ear filled with hearing.

⁹ What has been is what will be,
and what has been done is what will be done,
and there is nothing new under the sun.

¹⁰ Is there a thing of which it is said,
“See, this is new”?

It has been already
in the ages before us.

¹¹ There is no remembrance of former things,
nor will there be any remembrance
of later things yet to be
among those who come after.

Homily | *The Point of Nature* preached by Rev. Joel Kady

Closing Song | *If You Say Go*

If say go, we will go; If you say wait, we will wait
If you say step out on the water and they say it can't be done
We'll fix our eyes on you and we will come.

Your ways are higher than our ways and the plans that you have laid
Are good and true. If you call us to the fire You will not withdraw Your hand
We'll gaze into the flames and look for you.

Benediction & Dismissal

Minister: Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
All: **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude | *Amazing Love* (Billy James Foote)