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Prelude

Have Mercy O God

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Prayer

Quote of the day

Knowing that the gospel is true is the essence of a testimony. Consistently being true to the gospel is the essence of conversion.
~ David Bednar

Announcements

Call To Worship

We worship God, who created the heavens and earth,

God's reign endures forever.

We follow Jesus, who made God's love known to us,

Through his life, death, and resurrection

We listen for the Holy Spirit, who breathes in us,

And grants us wisdom and insight.

Come, worship our God together,

Let us celebrate all the ways God is made known to us and the world.

Call to Confession

Remember that our Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weakness, since in every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with boldness approach the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace in this and every time of need. Let us

confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Let us confess our sins, first individually in silence and then together as one family in Christ. Let us pray.

Silence

Prayer of Confession

Creator God, we confess that at times we are stuck. We are unable to move forward, and only can look back on what once was. We wonder where You are leading us, as it seems we are alone. Help us to become unstuck. Help us to move by faith, to trust that You are with us, guiding us along the way. Call to us so we will follow Your ways. Encourage us to live into hope instead of frozen in fear. Help us to pray even when we doubt, even for those we find hard to love. Forgive us, O Lord, when our prayers fail to express our love for you and our neighbors in need. Forgive us, O Lord, when our prayers do not lead to engagement with justice and peace. Fill us with your word and grant us a new beginning in you. Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, help us in this journey of life and faith, now and always. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news. Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us and Christ prays for us.

Friends believe in the promise of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, thanks be to God.

Sharing the Peace of Christ Jesus

Peace be with you

And also with you.

Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

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Verse 1

Be Thou my vision
O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me
Save that Thou art
Thou my best thought
By day or by night
Waking or sleeping
Thy presence my light

Verse 2

Be Thou my wisdom
Be Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee
And Thou with me Lord
Thou my soul's shelter
And thou my high tower
Raise thou me heavenward
O Power of my power

Verse 3

Riches I heed not
Nor vain empty praise
Thou mine inheritance
Now and always
Thou and Thou only
Be first in my heart
High King of heaven
My treasure Thou art

Verse 5

High King of heaven
My victory won
May I reach heaven's joys
O bright heaven's Sun

Heart of my own heart

Whatever befall

Still be my vision

O Ruler of all

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Scripture

1 John 5:9-13

We accept human testimony, but God's testimony is greater because it is the testimony of God, which he has given about his Son. Whoever believes in the Son of God accepts this testimony. Whoever does not believe God has made him out to be a liar, because they have not believed the testimony God has given about his Son. And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.

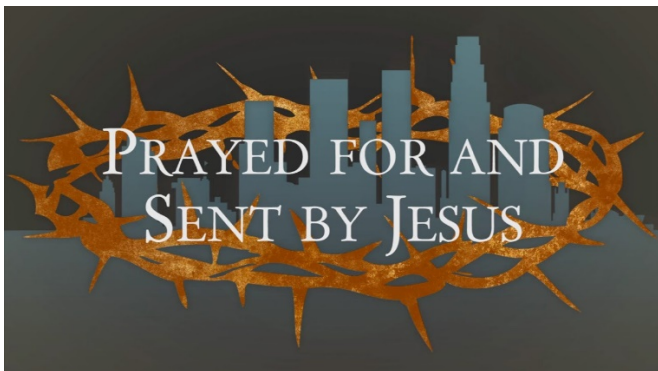
John 17:6-19

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of

the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

Sermon

Prayed For & Sent
Pastor Riz



Song

Holy is the Lord

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Verse

We stand and lift up our hands
For the joy of the Lord is our strength
We bow down and worship Him now
How great how awesome is He

Pre-chorus

And together we sing
Ev'ry one sing

Chorus

Holy is the Lord God Almighty
The earth is filled with his glory
Holy is the Lord God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory
The earth is filled with His glory

Bridge 1

It is rising up all around
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown
It is rising up all around
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown

Bridge 2

Holy holy is the Lord Almighty
Holy Holy
Holy holy is the Lord Almighty
Holy Holy
Holy holy is the Lord Almighty
Holy Holy

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Morning Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Our father who art in heaven hallowed be thy name 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering Our Lives & Gifts to God

Song *I Am Resolved*
By Reawaken Hymns
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Prayer of Dedication

Holy Father, we desire to be sanctified in your grace like the disciples whom Jesus commissioned with your word. We do not want to squander our lives and resources on meaningless consumption. Give us the courage to embrace a lifestyle centered in your teaching, rather than one dictated by trends or unhealthy habits. We offer you these gifts as an act of responding to you in faith. Amen.

Benediction

As our service of worship concludes, may our lives of worship and service begin anew.

As Christ prays for us, we pray for one another.

Jesus was the testament of love from God, and all who believe in the Son have life.

We accept this testimony and therefore are sanctified in the truth of your love.

As Christ forgives you, forgive one another. As Christ loves you, love one another.

This is the testimony of our belief, that we love one another.

And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us now and forever more.

We go into the world yet not of it, to make Christ known in word and deed. Amen.

Postlude *The Blessing Cameroon*
The Blessing Cameroon features Gospel artists and musicians from Cameroon and the Cameroonian Diaspora coming together to sing a blessing over the nation.

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