



5th Sunday after Pentecost

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Redeemed, Restored, & Rejoicing in Jesus!

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Holding Firm and Fast to the Gospel of Hope

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AS WE GATHER

The end is in sight. How often we cherish that thought, especially when we are traversing the terrain of trial, trouble or tribulation. To know that there will be an end to our suffering, at times, makes it more bearable ... at least in theory. In today's Word from Colossians, Paul puts such a thought on firm footing, namely the solid rock of redemption effected by our Lord and Savior Jesus. As Lord of the universe, this planet and the Church, that grace comes to dwell in you. Wherein, if the Lord can call into being and redeem the world, we are blessed to believe He can, and does, take care of us as well. Rejoice in this blessed hope – the "hope of the Gospel," Paul says, holding firm and fast to the One who is holding onto you. Welcome, in this Savior's name.

BEAUTIFUL JESUS (Words & Music by Kristian Stanfill & Ed Cash, © 2008 worship together.com songs | Alletrop Music)

1. Your love, O God, displayed for us, as crimson covered over sinless hands; Your majesty for all to see in raging storms and quiet cloudless days.

Chorus: Beautiful Jesus, beautiful Savior;
Nothing is greater, brilliant Creator, Friend of mine.

2. You're powerful above this world. The universe is under Your command. Your glory shines, a holy light, that leads our heart to praise Your holy name (is on our lips).

Chorus: Beautiful Jesus, beautiful Savior;

Nothing is greater, brilliant Creator, Friend of mine.

Perfect in power, matchless in glory;

Nothing is greater, brilliant Creator, Friend of mine.

Bridge: My lips will sing, my heart will bring praise to You the holy King. (Repeat)

Chorus: Beautiful Jesus, beautiful Savior;

Nothing is greater, brilliant Creator, Friend of mine.

Perfect in power, matchless in glory; nothing is greater, brilliant Creator ...

LEAD ME TO THE CROSS (Words & Music by Brooke Fraser © 2006 Hillsong Publishing)

1. Savior I come, quiet my soul, remember.

Redemption's hill, where Your blood was spilled for my ransom.

Chorus: Everything I once held dear, I count it all as loss.

Lead me to the cross where Your love poured out.

Bring me to my knees, Lord, I lay me down.

Rid me of myself, I belong to You. Oh, lead me, lead me to the cross.

2. You were as I, tempted and tried ... human.

The Word became flesh, bore my sin in death; now, You're risen. (Chorus)

Bridge: To Your heart; to Your heart.

Lead me to Your heart; lead me to Your heart. (Chorus)

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: This is the day which the Lord has made;

Congregation: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Pastor: From the rising of the sun to its setting, Congregation: the name of the Lord is to be praised.

Pastor: Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

Congregation: I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than

dwell in the tents of the wicked.

Pastor: Make me know your ways, O Lord.

Congregation: Teach me your paths.

Pastor: Sanctify us in Your truth.

Congregation: Your Word is truth.

Pastor: From the rising of the sun to its setting, Congregation: the name of the Lord is to be praised.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning I now, and will be forever. Amen.

WE BELIEVE (Words and Music by Travis Ryan, Richie Fike & Matt Hooper © Integrity Worship Music | Integrity's Praise! Music | Life Worship | Travis Ryan Music)

In this time of desperation when all we know is doubt and fear, There is only one foundation, we believe, we believe. In this broken generation when all is dark You help us see. There is only one salvation, we believe, we believe.

Chorus: We believe in God the Father, we believe in Jesus Christ,
We believe in the Holy Spirit, and He's given us new life.
We believe in the crucifixion, we believe that He conquered death,
We believe in the resurrection and He's coming back again. (We believe.)

So let our faith be more than anthems, greater than the songs we sing, And in our weakness and temptations, we believe, we believe.

Chorus

Bridge: Let the lost be found and the dead be raised.

In the here and now let love invade.

Let the church live loud our God will save, we believe, we believe.

And the gates of hell will not prevail. For the power of God has torn the veil.

Now we know Your love will never fail, we believe, we believe.

Chorus

He's coming back again, He's coming back again, we believe, we believe.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, since You have rescued us in Your beloved Son, in mercy hear the prayers of Your people who call upon You for daily grace and strength, and by Your Spirit grant us to know and to demonstrate in our lives all that You have called us to be and do; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now

and forever.

Congregation: Amen.

FIRST READING Colossians 1:15-23 (The Preeminence of Jesus.)

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶ For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through Him and for Him. ¹⁷ And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. ¹⁸ And He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent. ¹⁹ For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.

²¹ And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²² He has now reconciled in His body of flesh by His death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before Him, ²³ if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Luke 10:25-37 (The Parable of the Good Samaritan.)

²⁵ And behold, a lawyer stood up to put Him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶ He said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read it?" ²⁷ And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸ And He said to him, "You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live."

²⁹ But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰ Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. ³⁴ He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine.

Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵ And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" ³⁷ He said, "The one who showed him mercy." And Jesus said to him, "You go, and do likewise."

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

Pastor: Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

Congregation: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where

Your glory dwells.

Pastor: Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

Congregation: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where

Your glory dwells.

Pastor: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where

Your glory dwells.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not kill.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

SERMON

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all

people according to their needs.

Lord, we give thanks for Your redemption and rescue, and for forgiveness, life, and salvation in Jesus' name. Help us to cherish Your kingdom always. Lord, in Your mercy, **HEAR OUR PRAYER.**

Pastor: Lord, send us Your Holy Spirit, that our faith this day is made

strong, and that we desire to walk in Your ways, to the glory of

Your name. Lord, in Your mercy, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Pastor: Lord, give us opportunities to share Your love with others and

use the gifts You provide to the praise and honor of Your name.

Lord, in Your mercy, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Pastor: Lord, protect us, and Your Church throughout the world, that we

be bold in our witness and always ready to serve in power of the

Spirit. Lord, in Your mercy, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Pastor: Lord, send forth the Holy Spirit into the hearts and minds of

those who have wandered from the faith, and by Your Word of truth convict them and bring them to faith again in Jesus. Lord,

in Your mercy, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Pastor: Lord, be with, encourage, and sustain those who are struggling

at this time, [especially ...]. Lord, in Your mercy, **HEAR OUR**

PRAYER.

Additional petitions and praises are offered.

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,

trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

AMEN.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Congregation: And also with you.

At this time, we share the Lord's peace with each other.

OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING "What a Friend We Have In Jesus" Susan Abert

(Music by Charles C. Converse; arr. by Richard Kingsmore)

CLOSING PRAYER

Pastor: Almighty God, merciful Father, who created and completed all

things, on this day when the work of our calling begins anew, we ask You to create its beginning, direct its continuance, and bless its end, that all our doings may be preserved from sin, our life sanctified, and our work this day be well pleasing to You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who also taught us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER (*Matthew 6:9–13*)

Congregation: 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; 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.

BENEDICTION *Numbers* 6:24-26

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

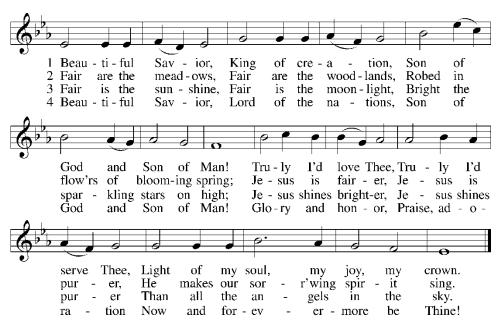
Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Congregation: Amen.

CLOSING SONG "Beautiful Savior"

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