
God's People Gather for Worship

September 6, 2020

11:00 AM

"By God's grace alone and to his glory alone, we exist to worship God in his greatness and his holiness with Gospel-driven passion and integrity..." *(excerpted from FPC Rome Mission Statement)*

Preparing for Worship

Gathering Song

"Fullness"

Fullness of eternal promise
Stirring in your sons and daughters
Earth revealing heaven's wonders
Spirit come Spirit come
What you spoke is now unfolding
All your children shall behold it
Dreams awaken in this moment
Spirit come Spirit come
Pour it out
Let your love run over
Here and now
Let your glory fill this house
Now the world awaits your presence
And this power is within us
We will rise to be your witness
Spirit come Spirit come
Tongues of fire
Testifying of the Son
One desire
Spirit come Spirit come
Speak revival
Prophecy like it is done
One desire
Spirit come Spirit come
Come
Let our hearts continue burning
For our King is soon returning
As we hold to this assurance
Spirit come Spirit come
Spirit come Spirit come

Welcome and Announcements

Declaring God's Praise

Corporate Prayer of Preparation

O Lord, our God, you are worthy of all our praise. You are the God who never fails to keep his promises. We thank you that in Jesus' life, death and resurrection we see your love, justice, mercy, provision and victory. You are the God who lifts up those who are weighed down. You are the God who provides for your children. Our desire is to praise you as long as we live. Inhabit our praises as we gather together today. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

Song

"In Christ Alone"

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 help - less babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satis-fied
For ev'ry 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 pow'r of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No pow'r of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand

'Til He returns or calls me home
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand
'Til He returns or calls me home
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand

Confessing Our Sin and Embracing Our Forgiveness

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Divine Pardon

Offering Our Fellowship

Passing of the Peace

Interceding for God's World

Prayer for God's People, Work and World and the Lord's Prayer

ALL: 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. Amen.

Hearing God's Word

Responsive Scripture Reading

Psalm 129

*Leader: "They have greatly oppressed me from my youth,"
let Israel say;*

ALL: "They have greatly oppressed me from my youth,
but they have not gained the victory over me.

*Leader: Plowmen have plowed my back
and made their furrows long.*

ALL: But the LORD is righteous;
he has cut me free from the cords of the wicked."

Leader: May all who hate Zion be turned back in shame.

ALL: May they be like grass on the roof,
which withers before it can grow;

*Leader: a reaper cannot fill his hands with it,
nor one who gathers fill his arms.*

ALL: May those who pass by not say to them,
"The blessing of the LORD be on you;
we bless you in the name of the LORD."

Leader: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

ALL: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"Oppressed? Perhaps...
But Defeated? Never!"
Rev. Jeff Chadwick

Responding to God's Worship and the Word

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to the Lord

Scattering as Christ's Church

Song

"O Great God"

O Great God of highest heaven, occupy my lowly heart
Own it all and reign supreme, conquer every rebel power
Let no vice or sin remain- that resists Your holy war
You have loved and purchased me, make me Yours forevermore

I was blinded by my sin, Had no ears to hear Your voice
Did not know Your love within, had no taste for heaven's joys
Then Your Spirit gave me life, opened up Your Word to me
Through the gospel of Your Son, Gave me endless hope and peace

Help me now to live a life- that's dependent on Your grace
Keep my heart and guard my soul, from the evils that I face
You are worthy to be praised, with my every thought and deed
O great God of highest heaven, glorify Your Name through me

Commissioning and Benediction

