



MARCH 27, 2022

*And I will feed them on
the mountains of Israel...*

- Ezekiel 34:13

Speak O Lord

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend



1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You To re - ceive the food of Your Ho - ly Word.
2. Teach us Lord, full o - be - di - ence, Ho - ly rev - er - ence, true hu - mil - i - ty.
3. Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.



Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fash - ion us in Your like - ness,
Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes In the ra - di - ance of Your pur - i - ty.
Truths un - changed from the dawn of time That will ech - o down through e - ter - ni - ty.



That the light of Christ might be seen to-day In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Cause our faith to rise; Cause our eyes to see Your maj - es - tic love and au - thor - i - ty.
And by grace we'll stand on Your prom - is - es, And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.



Speak, O Lord, and ful - fill in us All Your pur - pos - es for Your glo - ry.
Words of pow'r that can nev - er fail, Let their truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built And the earth is filled with Your glo - ry.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fellowship Meal - Next week, bring some food and stay after service for a potluck lunch.

Members Meeting - April 10 plan on staying for a Members Meeting immediately following the service.

Prospective Members - At our members meeting we will be voting to bring **John and Jane Doe**, into membership. Take some time to get to know them before then.

Children Welcome - We welcome children for the entirety of our morning worship service. We intentionally do not provide nursery services during corporate worship. However, we do have a nursing room and toddler room available in the back for parents who need to temporarily step out of the service with their children.

Giving- Give online at redeemerabilene.com, in the giving box in the foyer, at the welcome table kiosk, or through churchtrac.com (you must create an account).



GOSPEL PARTNER SPOTLIGHT

Nevil (Campus Ministry)

Nevil works full-time for a student ministry in the Middle East. He is regularly sharing the gospel with college students, many of whom come from a Muslim or Nominal-Muslim background. He leads Bible studies on campus and disciples college students most of whom are new believers. His desire is that students at the universities he works on would come to know Christ and join a healthy local Church.

- Pray that Nevil would be bold in sharing his faith and that unbelieving students would understand the gospel, believe in Jesus, and be saved from their sin
- Pray that he would once again be allowed access to some campuses he has previously worked on. These campuses increased security due to COVID and Nevil has not yet been allowed to return.
- Pray that the students he ministers to would desire Christ and the forgiveness of sins instead of seeing Church and Christian Community primarily as a way to make friends and feel accepted.
- Pray for Jeff, a student who meets with Nevil but has had very little exposure to Christianity or the Bible. Pray that he would come to understand and believe the gospel.
- Pray for Josh, a student who claims to be a Christian but seems to have a poor understanding of the gospel.

CALL TO WORSHIP - GOD

Psalm 95:1-4

¹ Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! ² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! ³ For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods. ⁴ In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND PRAISE

CORPORATE AFFIRMATION

Athanasian Creed (On The Trinity)

Now this is the catholic* faith:

That we worship one God in trinity and the trinity in unity,
neither blending their persons nor dividing their essence.

For the person of the Father is a distinct person,
the person of the Son is another, and that of the Holy Spirit still another.

But the divinity of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is one,
their glory equal, their majesty coeternal.

What quality the Father has, the Son has, and the Holy Spirit has.
The Father is uncreated, the Son is uncreated, the Holy Spirit is uncreated.
The Father is immeasurable, the Son is immeasurable, the Holy Spirit is immeasurable.

The Father is eternal, the Son is eternal, the Holy Spirit is eternal.

And yet there are not three eternal beings; there is but one eternal being.
So too there are not three uncreated or immeasurable beings;
there is but one uncreated and immeasurable being.

Similarly, the Father is almighty, the Son is almighty, the Holy Spirit is almighty.
Yet there are not three almighty beings; there is but one almighty being.

Thus the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God.
Yet there are not three gods; there is but one God. ...

So in everything, as was said earlier, we must worship their trinity in their unity
and their unity in their trinity.

*The word "catholic" refers to the church universal, all Christians worldwide; it is not a reference to the Roman Catholic Church.

Psalm 108

To the tune of "The Church's One Foundation"



1.O God, my heart is stead - fast; I sing with - in my soul.
 2.A - bove the heav'ns ex - al - ted, And glo - ry o'er the earth;
 3.The Lord our God has spo - ken By His own ho - ly word:
 4.O Lord, have we been cast off? Will You not fight our fight?



A - wak - en morn - ing's splen - dor; Let harp and lyre ex - toll!
 Your peo - ple come to praise You, Pro - claim to all Your worth.
 With hel - met and with scep - ter, His peo - ple shall He gird.
 A - gainst our foes, be migh - ty, And save us from our plight!



With all the world, I thank You, And with the na - tions praise
 We call on You to an - swer; From dan - gers dark and grave.
 As He calls forth His vic - t'ry For those He calls His own,
 For vain is man's de - liv - 'rance, A - gainst our en - e - my;



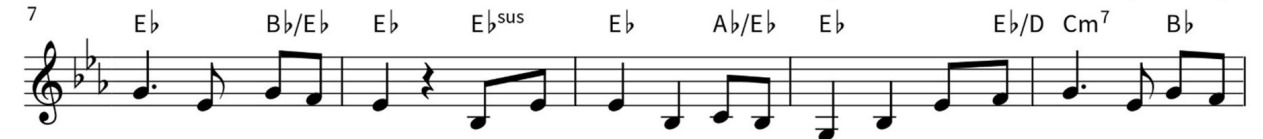
Your truth and lov - ing - kind - ness, Be - yond the hea - vens raised.
 De - liv - er Your be - lov - ed, Stretch out Your hand and save!
 Our God shall shout in tri - umph As foes are ov - er thrown.
 Through God we will be val - iant, in Him, our vic - to - ry!

Christ the True and Better

Matt Boswell, Keith Getty and Matt Papa



1.Christ, the true and bet-ter Ad-am; Son of
 2.Christ, the true and bet-ter Is-aac; Hum-ble
 3.Christ, the true and bet-ter Mo-ses; Called to
 4.Christ, the true and bet-ter Da-vid; Low-ly



God and Son of man. Who, when tempt-ed in the gard-en, nev - er yield - ed, nev - er
 Son of sa - cri - fice, who would climb the fear-ful moun-tain, there to of - fer up his
 lead a peo-ple home. Stand - ing bold to earth-ly pow - ers, God's great glo - ry to be
 she - pherd, might-y King. He the champ-ion in the bat - tle, Where, oh, death, is now thy



sinned. He, who makes the man - y right - eous Brings us back to life a - gain. Dy - ing,
 life. Laid with faith up - on the al - tar, Fath - er's joy and on - ly son; There sal -
 known. With his arms stretched wide to hea - ven, See the wa - ters part in two; See the
 sting? In our place He bled and con-quer-ed, Crown Him Lord of ma - je - sty; His shall



He re - versed the curse; Then ri - sing, crushed the ser - pent's head. A -
 va - tion was pro - vid - ed, oh what full and bound-less love.
 veil is torn for - e - ver, cleansed with blood we pass now through.
 be the throne for - e - ver, we shall e'er His peo - ple be.



men, A - men From be - gin - ning to end. Christ the



sto - ry, His the glo - ry. Al - le - lu - ia, a - - men.

SCRIPTURE READING

Revelation 21:1-4

¹ Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴ He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

LEADER: “THIS IS THE WORD OF THE LORD”

CONGREGATION: “***THANKS BE TO GOD!***”

CONFESSION OF SIN - MAN

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent; according to Your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. Grant that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of His holy name. Amen.

PRIVATE PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON - CHRIST

Psalm 125:1-2

Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever.² As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds his people, from this time forth and forevermore.

LEADER: “Church, because of Christ’s work, your sins are forgiven.”

CONGREGATION: “***PRAISE BE TO GOD!***”

Pastoral Prayer of IntercessionDIPAK SAMUEL

RESPONSIVE READING

(CONGREGATION READS THE SECTIONS IN **BOLD**)

Deuteronomy 27:11-28:6 (selected verses)

¹¹ That day Moses charged the people, saying, ¹² “When you have crossed over the Jordan, these shall stand on Mount Gerizim to bless the people: Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, Joseph, and Benjamin. ¹³ And these shall stand on Mount Ebal for the curse: Reuben, Gad, Asher, Zebulun, Dan, and Naphtali. ¹⁴ And the Levites shall declare to all the men of Israel in a loud voice:

¹⁵ **“Cursed be the man who makes a carved or cast metal image, an abomination to the LORD, a thing made by the hands of a craftsman, and sets it up in secret.” And all the people shall answer and say, ‘Amen.’**

¹⁶ **“Cursed be anyone who dishonors his father or his mother.” And all the people shall say, ‘Amen.’**

¹⁷ **“Cursed be anyone who moves his neighbor's landmark.” And all the people shall say, ‘Amen.’...**

¹⁹ **“Cursed be anyone who perverts the justice due to the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow.” And all the people shall say, ‘Amen.’...**

²⁶ **“Cursed be anyone who does not confirm the words of this law by doing them.” And all the people shall say, ‘Amen.’**

²⁸ “And if you faithfully obey the voice of the LORD your God, being careful to do all his commandments that I command you today, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth. ² And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, if you obey the voice of the LORD your God.

³ **Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the field.**

⁴ Blessed shall be the fruit of your womb and the fruit of your ground and the fruit of your cattle, the increase of your herds and the young of your flock.

⁵ **Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading bowl.**

⁶ Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out.

Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

Thomas Kelly

C#m G# A G# C#m

1. Strick-en, smit-ten and af-flict-ed, see Him dy-ing on the tree! 'Tis the
2. Tell me, ye who hear Him groan-ing, was there ev-er grief like His? Friends thru'
3. Ye who think of sin but light-ly, nor sup-pose the e-vil great, Here may
4. Here we have a firm foun-da-tion; here the ref-uge of the lost; Christ, the

5 G# A G# C#m

Christ by man re-ject-ed; yes, my soul, 'tis He, 'tis He! 'Tis the
fear His cause dis-own-ing, foes in-sult-ing His dis-tress; Man-y
view its na-ture right-ly, here its guilt may es-ti-mate. Mark the
Rock of our sal-va-tion, His the name of which we boast. Lamb of

9 E B C#m G#

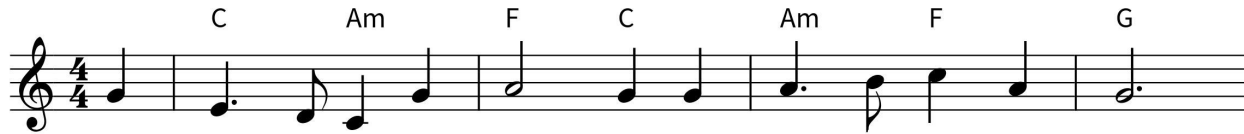
long ex-pect-ed Pro-phet, Da-vid's Son, yet Da-vid's Lord; By His
hands were raised to wound Him, none would in-ter-pose to save; But the
sac-ri-fice ap-point-ed, see who bears the aw-ful load; 'Tis the
God, for sin-ners wound-ed, sac-ri-fice to can-cel guilt! None shall

13 C#m G#m A G# C#m

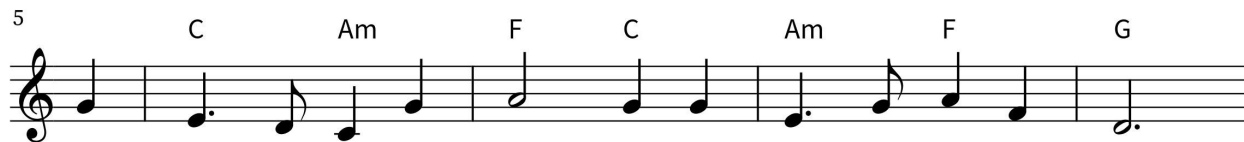
Son God now has spo-ken: 'tis the true and faith-ful Word.
deep-est stroke that pierced Him was the stroke that Jus-tice gave.
Word, the Lord's A-noint-ed, Son of Man and Son of God.
ev-er be con-found-ed who on Him their hope have built.

The Sands of Time are Sinking

Lyrics: Anne Ross Cousin
Music: Constance Dever



1.The sands of time are sink - ing, the dawn of heav - en breaks;
2.The King there in His beau - ty, with - out a veil is seen;
3.O Christ, He is the foun - tain, the deep, deep well of love;
4.With mer - cy and with judg - ment my web of time He wove;
5.Oh! I am my Be - lov - ed's and my Be - lov - ed's mine!
6.The bride eyes not her gar - ments but her dear Bride-groom's face;



The sum - mer morn I've sighed for, the fair sweet morn a - wakes;
It were a well spent jour - ney though sev'n deaths lay be - tween;
The streams on earth I've tast - ed, more deep I'll drink a - bove;
And al - ways dews of sor - row were lus - tered with His love;
He brings a poor, vile sin - ner in - to His "house of wine;"
I will not gaze at glo - ry but on my King of grace;



Dark, dark hath been the mid - night. but day - spring is at hand,
The Lamb with His fair ar - my doth on Mount Zi - on stand,
There to an o - cean full - ness His mer - cy doth ex - pand
I'll bless the hand that guid - ed; I'll bless the heart that planned,
I stand up - on His mer - it, I know no oth - er stand,
Not at the crown He giv - eth, but on His pierc - ed hand;



And glo - ry, glo - ry dwell - eth in Im-man - uel's land.
And glo - ry, glo - ry dwell - eth in Im-man - uel's land.
And glo - ry, glo - ry dwell - eth in Im-man - uel's land.
When throned where glo - ry dwell - eth in Im-man - uel's land.
Not e'en where glo - ry dwell - eth in Im-man - uel's land.
The Lamb is all the glo - ry of Im-man - uel's land.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION AND THANKSGIVING

Sermon PassageEzekiel 34:11-16

PreacherJason Gray

Ezekiel 34:11-16

¹¹ "For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. ¹² As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³ And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. ¹⁴ I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵ I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. ¹⁶ I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

LEADER: "THIS IS THE WORD OF THE LORD"

CONGREGATION: "THANKS BE TO GOD!"

A BIBLICAL THEOLOGY OF MOUNTAINS

Empty musical staves for guitar accompaniment on page 13.

Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending

Lyrics: Charles Wesley and John Cennick
Music: Gary Brumley

Musical score for page 14, including lyrics and guitar chords.

Chords: C G F C F C G C C F C

1. Lo! He comes with clouds de - scend - ing once for
 2. Ev' - ry eye shall now be - hold Him robed in
 3. Ev' - ry is - land, sea, and moun - tain, heav'n and
 4. Now re - demp - tion, long ex - pect - ed, see in

7 Am G^{sus} F C F C C G

fav - ored sin - ners slain; thou - sand thou - sand saints at - tend - ing, swell the tri - umph of His
 dread - ful maj - es - ty; those who set at naught and sold Him, pierced and nailed Him to the
 earth shall flee a - way; all who hate Him must, con - found - ed, hear the trump pro - claim the
 sol - emn pomp ap - pear; all His saints, by man re - ject - ed, now shall meet Him in the

12 F C G F C G F C F C G 1, 2, 3. 4. C

train: Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! God ap - pears on high to reign.
 tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
 day: Come to judge - ment! Come to judge - ment! Come to judge - ment! Come a - way!
 air: Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! See the Day of God ap - pear!

20 A^{sus} A D G D Bm A^{sus} G

5. Yea, A - men! let all a - dore Thee, High on Thine e - ter - nal throne; Sav - ior,

25 D G D D A G D A G D A G

take the pow'r and glo - ry, claim the king - dom for Thine own; O come quick - ly! O come quick -

32 D G D A D A G

ly! Ev - er - last - ing God, come down! Hal - le - lu -

36 D A G D G D A D

jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Ev - er - last - ing God, come down!

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

LORD'S SUPPER:

Use this time while the elements are being passed out to dwell on the riches of Christ as well as to examine yourself. Members, you may find the church covenant helpful in this.

**Wine is recommended, but grape juice is available in the center ring.*

Redeemer Church of Abilene Covenant

Having, as we trust, been brought by divine grace to repent and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and to give ourselves up to him, and having been baptized upon our profession of faith, in the name of the Father and of the Son and the Holy Spirit, we do now, relying on His gracious aid, solemnly and joyfully covenant with each other.

1. We will work and pray for the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. (Eph 4:3).
2. We will be devoted to one another in brotherly love. With humility and gentleness we will patiently bear with each other, forgiving, encouraging and building one another up, refusing to gossip or complain, exercising watchfulness over each other, and admonishing one another when necessary. (Luke 17:3; Col 3:13; 1 Thes 5:11; 1 Pet 1:22)
3. We will not neglect to gather together, or to pray for ourselves and others. (Col 4:2; Heb 10:25)
4. We promise to bring up our children in the training and instruction of the Lord, and by a pure and loving example to seek the salvation of our family and friends. (Eph 6:4; 1 Pet 3:1)
5. We will rejoice with those who rejoice and weep with those who weep, helping to carry each other's burdens. (Rom 12:15)
6. We will seek, by God's help, to live carefully in this world, denying ungodliness and worldly passions. We will strive to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in this present age, as we wait for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ. (Titus 2:12; 1 Pet 1:14)
7. We affirm our church's Statement of Faith.
8. We will defend and maintain an evangelical ministry in this church by supporting and upholding;
 - The preaching of the Word of God (2 Tim 4:2)
 - The administration of the Gospel ordinances of baptism and the Lord's Supper (Acts 2:38; 1 Cor 11:26)
 - The exercise of Church Membership and Discipline (Matt 18:17; 1 Cor 5:13)
9. We will submit to our Elders as they keep watch over our souls (Heb. 13:17)
10. We will contribute cheerfully, generously, and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the Gospel through all nations. (Matt 28:19; Luke 12:33; 2 Cor 9:7)
11. We will, when we move from this place, as soon as possible unite with some other gospel preaching church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen. (2 Cor 13:14)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here be-low. Praise Him a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men

5 Em G C D Em G D

8 C D C G

COMMISSION AND BLESSING

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

²³ Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. ²⁴ He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

| <u>WEDNESDAY</u> | <u>NEXT SUNDAY</u> |
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| GOSPEL COMMUNITY GROUPS - Petree's - 2409 Nowhere LN Gray's - 269 Notreal RD Bowers' - 4618 Imaginary DR | EQUIPPING CLASS ◇ 9:30-10:30 (Membership) MORNING SERVICE ◇ 11:00 Jason Gray (Matthew 5) |

The Baptist Catechism Question #93 (founders.org/library/the-baptist-catechism)

Q. What are the outward means whereby Christ communicates to us the benefits of redemption?

A. The outward and ordinary means whereby Christ communicates to us the benefits of redemption are his ordinances, especially the word, baptism, the Lord's supper, and prayer; all which means are made effectual to the elect for salvation (Mt. 28:19, 20; Acts 2:42, 46, 47).

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