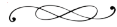


- b. The dynamic of deepening Darkness makes aromas more distinct.
- c. Without Light, the Darkness will never know the oppression of its own environment.



Congregational Singing: "My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness" Grace Hymn 374.

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VERSE 1

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who bore my pain,
Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace and gave me life again,
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness and clothed me in His light,
And wrote His law of righteousness with pow'r upon my heart.

VERSE 2

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who walks beside,
Who floods my weaknesses with strength and causes fear to fly,
Whose ev'ry promise is enough for ev'ry step I take,
Sustaining me with arms of love and crowning me with grace.

VERSE 3

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who reigns above,
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace, whose ev'ry thought is love.
For ev'ry day I have on earth is given by the King,
So I will give my life, my all to love and follow Him.

Closing Thoughts and Benediction



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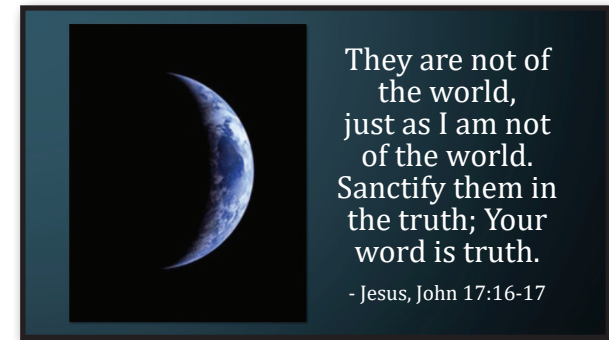
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SERVICE AND SERMON SHEET for the WORSHIP SERVICE OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH July 23, 2023

Welcome

Ken Hunt

Call to Worship

Keith Kruizenga

Congregational Singing: "Come, Thou Almighty King" Hymn 8

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VERSE 1

Come, Thou almighty King, help us Thy Name to sing,
Help us to praise! Father all glorious, o'er all victorious,
Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days!

VERSE 2

Come, Thou incarnate Word, Gird on Thy mighty sword,
Our prayer attend! Come, and Thy people bless,
And give Thy Word success. Spirit of holiness, on us descend!

CHORUS

All glory be to the Father! All glory be to the Son!
All glory be to the Spirit! The blessed Three in One!

VERSE 3

Come, Holy Comforter, Thy sacred witness bear
In this glad hour. Thou, who almighty art, now rule in every heart
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

[sing CHORUS]

VERSE 3

To Thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be, hence, evermore;
Thy sov'reign majesty may we in glory see,
And to eternity love and adore!

[sing CHORUS]

Congregational Singing: "Ancient Words" Grace Hymn 365
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VERSE 1

Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world;
They resound with God's own heart.
O, let the ancient words impart.
Words of life, words of hope give us strength, help us cope.
In this world, where'er we roam,
Ancient words will guide us home.

CHORUS

Ancient words ever true,
Changing me and changing you.
We have come with open hearts,
O, let the ancient words impart.

VERSE 2

Holy words of our faith handed down to this age,
Came to us through sacrifice;
O, heed the faithful words of Christ.
Martyr's blood stains each page – they have died for this faith.
Hear them cry through the years,
Heed these words and hold them dear.

[sing CHORUS]

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O, let the ancient words impart.

Scripture Reading — John 17:6-18

Keith Kruizenga

Pastoral Prayer

Dave DeGear

Offertory — *Congregational Singing: "Speak, O LORD" Grace Hymn 368*

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VERSE 1

Speak, O LORD, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O LORD, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory.

VERSE 2

Teach us, LORD, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility; - continued

Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority:
Words of power that can never fail—
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

VERSE 3

Speak, O LORD, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us—
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O LORD, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

Message

Pastor Kevin Morris

A LOOK IN GOD'S MIRROR

John 17:6-18

As redeemed followers of Jesus we may not think of ourselves as aliens
and radicals, but these titles are descriptive of
our complex relationship with a world that we are *in* but not *of*.

1. WHEN DID WE BECOME ALIENS?

a. When God saved us, He gave us a new identity.

(1.) Believers are new creatures with new natures –
2 Corinthians 5:17

(2.) Believers are light (truth) bearers – John 3:19-20,
Matthew 5:14, 16

b. When God saved us, He put us in a unique position.

(1.) Believers are resident in, yet detached from, this
world – John 17:14-15, Jeremiah 29:4-7

(2.) Believers are ambassadors of a new kingdom.

2. HOW HAVE WE BECOME RADICALS? – 2 Corinthians 2

a. The dynamic of deepening Darkness makes Light
brighter.