

VERSE 1

We will trust God's word alone
Where His perfect will is known;
Our traditions shift like sand
While His truth forever stands.
We will live by faith alone,
Clothed in merit not our own.
All we claim is Jesus Christ
And His finished sacrifice.

CHORUS

Glory be, glory be to God alone
Through the Church He redeemed
and made His own.
He has freed us,
He will keep us
Till we're safely home.
Glory be, glory be to God alone!

VERSE 2

We are saved by grace alone,
Undeserved yet freely shown;
No accomplishment on earth
Can achieve the second birth.
We will stand on Christ alone,
The unyielding Cornerstone.
Nations rage and devils roar,
Still He reigns forevermore!

[sing CHORUS 2x]

Closing Thoughts and Benediction



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Welcome and Call to Worship

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Congregational Singing: "All Creatures of Our God and King"

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VERSE 1

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing, "O praise Him! Alleluia!"
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Allelu - ia!

VERSE 3

All the redeemed washed by His blood,
Come and rejoice in His great love. O praise Him! Alleluia!
Christ has defeated ev'ry sin.
Cast all your burdens now on Him.
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Allelu - ia!

VERSE 4

He shall return in pow'r to reign.
Heaven and earth will join to say, "O praise Him! Alleluia!"
Then who shall fall on bended knee?
All creatures of our God and King!
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Allelu - ia!

VERSE 5

Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness. O praise Him! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!
O praise Him! O Praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Allelu - ia!

Congregational Singing: “It Was Finished Upon that Cross”

TEXT and MUSIC, Nigel Hendroff, Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson; arr., Aaron Blumer.

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VERSE 1

How I love the voice of Jesus. On the cross of Calvary
He declares His work is finished. He has spoken this hope to me.
Though the sun had ceased its shining,
// though the war appeared as lost,
Christ has triumphed over evil. It was finished upon that cross.

VERSE 2

Now the curse it has been broken. Jesus paid the price for me.
Full! the pardon He has offered. Great! the welcome that I receive.
Boldly I approach my Father,
// clothed in Jesus’ righteousness.
There is no more guilt to carry. It was finished upon that cross.

VERSE 3

Death was once my great opponent. Fear once had a hold on me.
But the Son who died to save us rose that we would be free indeed!
Yes, He rose that we would be free indeed!

VERSE 4

Free from every plan of darkness.
// Free to live and free to love.
Death is dead and Christ is risen! It was finished upon that cross.
Onward to eternal glory,
// to my Saviour and my God.
I rejoice in Jesus’ victory. It was finished upon that cross!
It was finished upon that cross! It was finished upon that cross!

Scripture Reading – Ephesians 4:1-16

Dave DeGear

Pastoral Prayer

Keith Kruiuzenga

Offertory – Congregational Singing: “The Perfect Wisdom of Our God”

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VERSE 1

The perfect wisdom of our God revealed in all the universe:
All things created by His hand and held together at His command.
He knows the mysteries of the seas, the secrets of the stars are His;
He guides the planets on their way
And turns the earth through another day.

VERSE 2

The matchless wisdom of His ways that mark the path of righteousness;
His word a lamp unto my feet, His Spirit teaching and guiding me.
And, oh, the mystery of the cross, that God should suffer for the lost
So that the fool might shame the wise
And all the glory might go to Christ!

VERSE 3

Oh grant me wisdom from above to pray for peace and cling to love,
And teach me humbly to receive the sun and rain of Your sovereignty.
Each strand of sorrow has a place within this tapestry of grace;
So through the trials I choose to say:
“Your perfect will in Your perfect way.”

Message

Pastor Jerry Birkholz

Encouraging Community for a New Year, Pt. 4
Selected Scriptures — See Insert for Complete Outline

WHY I LOVE THE CHURCH

1. It is designed and built by Jesus Christ – Matthew 16:18
2. It has been purchased by Jesus Christ – Acts 20:28; 1 Corinthians 6:20; Ephesians 5:23
3. It is living expression of the living Savior – Ephesians 5:1
4. It is the unique testimony of corporate worship
– John 4:23-24; I Corinthians 14:20-25
5. It is the unique gathering for edification – Ephesians 4:11-16;
Hebrews 10:23-25
6. It displays God’s providential hand – Acts 13:1-3

WHAT IS A HEALTHY CHURCH MEMBER?

1. A Disciple.
 - a. Recognizes God is holy – Romans 3:21-25
 - b. Understands man is totally depraved and separated from the holy God – Romans 3:23
 - c. Realizes Jesus became sinful man’s substitute on the cross – Romans 5:8-9
 - d. Realizes salvation is receiving God’s gift of grace through confessional repentance and faith – Romans 10:9-10
2. A Growing Disciple.
 - a. Definition – Ephesians 4:13-16
 - b. Activity – 2 Timothy 2 - 4; Romans 12; Colossians 3
 - c. Expression – Philippians 3:12-16
3. A Gospel-Saturated Disciple. – Ephesians 2:4-7

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