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WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG: GOOD, GOOD FATHER

Verse 1

I've heard a thousand stories
Of what they think You're like,
But I've heard the tender whisper
Of love in the dead of night and
You tell me that You're pleased
And that I'm never alone.

Chorus

You're a Good, Good Father.
It's who You are, It's who You are,
It's who You are.
And I'm loved by You,
It's who I am, It's who I am, It's who I am.

Verse 2

I've seen many searching for answers far and wide,
But I know we're all searching for answers
Only You provide,
Because You know just what we need
Before we say a word.

Chorus

You're a Good, Good Father.
It's who You are, It's who You are, It's who You are.
And I'm loved by You,
It's who I am, It's who I am, It's who I am.

Bridge

You are perfect in all of Your ways,
You are perfect in all of Your ways,
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us.
[Repeat Bridge]

Verse 3

Love so undeniable I can hardly speak,
Peace so unexplainable I can hardly think,
As You call me deeper still,
As You call me deeper still,
As You call me deeper still,
Into love, love, love.

Chorus

You're a Good, Good Father.
It's who You are, It's who You are, It's who You are.
And I'm loved by You,
It's who I am, It's who I am, It's who I am.
[Repeat Chorus.]

PRELUDE: COME TO ME

Verse 1

I am the Lord your God. I go before you now.
I stand beside you. I'm all around you.
Though you feel I'm far away,
I'm closer than your breath.
I am with you more than you know.

Verse 2

I am the Lord, your peace. No evil will conquer you.
So, steady now your heart and mind.
Come into my rest.
Oh, let your faith arise. Lift up your weary head.
I am with you Wherever you go.

Chorus

Come to Me, I'm all you need.
Come to Me, I'm everything.
Come to Me, I'm all you need.
Come to Me, I'm your everything.

Bridge

I am your anchor in the wind and the waves,
And I am your steadfast, so don't be afraid.
Though your heart and flesh may fail you,
I'm your faithful strength.
And I am with you wherever you go.

Chorus

Come to Me, I'm all you need.
Come to Me, I'm your everything.
Come to Me, I'm all you need.
Come to Me, I'm your everything.

Ending

Don't look to the right or to the left,
But keep your eyes on me.
You will not be shaken, You will not be moved, oh.
I am the hand to hold, I am the Truth,
I am the Way.
Just come to me, come to me,
'Cause I'm all that you need.

Ending, add:

**You are perfect in all of Your ways,
You are perfect in all of Your ways.**

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↑ PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

G Amen.

READING: Isaiah 65:1-3 —*Good News Translation*

L Today's Old Testament lesson is from Isaiah, the sixty-fifth chapter.

The Lord said, "I was ready to answer my people's prayers, but they did not pray. I was ready for them to find me, but they did not even try. The nation did not pray to me, even though I was always ready to answer, 'Here I am; I will help you.' ²I have always been ready to welcome my people, who stubbornly do what is wrong and go their own way. ³They shamelessly keep on making me angry.

L Word of God, word of life. **G** Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE: Galatians 3:26-29

—*International Children's Bible*

L The Second Lesson is from Paul's letter to the Christians at Galatia, the third chapter

You were all baptized into Christ, and so you were all clothed with Christ. This shows that you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus.

²⁸Now, in Christ, there is no difference between Jew and Greek. There is no difference between slaves and free men. There is no difference between male and female. You are all the same in Christ Jesus. ²⁹You belong to Christ.

L Word of God, word of life.

G Thanks be to God.

↑ GOSPEL: Luke 8:26-39

—*J.B. Phillips New Testament*

P The Gospel according to Luke, the eighth chapter

G Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus and the disciples] sailed on to the country of the Gerasenes which is on the opposite side of the lake to Galilee. And as Jesus disembarked, a man from the town who was possessed by evil spirits met him. He had worn no clothes for a long time and did not live inside a house, but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he let out a howl and fell down in front of him, yelling, "What have you got to do with me, you Jesus, Son of the most high God? Please, please, don't torment me."

²⁹For Jesus was commanding the evil spirit to come out of the man. Again and again the evil spirit had taken control of him, and though he was bound with chains and fetters and closely watched, he would snap his bonds and go off into the desert with the devil at his heels.

³⁰⁻³⁷Then Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" "Legion!" he replied. For many evil spirits had gone into him and were now begging Jesus not to order them off to the bottomless pit. It happened that there was a large herd of pigs feeding on the hillside, so they implored him to allow them to go into the pigs, and he let them go. And when the evil spirits came out of the man and went into the pigs, the whole herd rushed down the cliff into the lake and were drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they took to their heels, pouring out the story to the people in the town and countryside. These people came out to see what had happened and approached Jesus. They found the man, whom the evil spirits had left, sitting down at Jesus' feet, properly clothed and quite sane. That frightened them. Those who had seen it told the others how the man with the evil spirits had been cured. And the whole

crowd of people from the district surrounding the Gerasenes' country begged Jesus to go away from them, for they were thoroughly frightened. Then he re-embarked on the boat and turned back.

³⁸⁻³⁹ The man who had the evil spirits kept begging to go with Jesus, but he sent him away with the words, "Go back home and tell them all what wonderful things God has done for you." So the man went away and told the marvelous story of what Jesus had done for him, all over the town.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Miriam

SONG OF THE DAY: ONE THING REMAINS

Verse 1

Higher than the mountains that I face,
Stronger than the power of the grave,
Constant in the trial and the change,
This one thing remains, One thing remains:

Chorus

Your love never fails, It never gives up,
It never runs out on me.
(REPEAT Chorus twice)

Your love

Verse 2

On and on and on and on it goes.
It overwhelms and satisfies my soul,
And I never ever have to be afraid.
This one thing remains, One thing remains.

Chorus

Your love never fails, It never gives up,
It never runs out on me.

Bridge

In death, in life I'm confident, and
Cover'd by the power of Your great love,
My debt is paid, there's nothing that
Can separate my heart from Your great love.

Chorus

Your love never fails, It never gives up,
It never runs out on me.
(REPEAT Chorus twice)

Verse 2

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It overwhelms and satisfies my soul,
And I never ever have to be afraid.
This one thing remains, One thing remains.

Chorus

Your love never fails, It never gives up,
It Never runs out on me.
(REPEAT twice)

Bridge

In death, in life I'm confident, and
Cover'd by the power of Your great love,
My debt is paid, there's nothing that
Can separate my heart from Your great love.

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OUR PROFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

P Let us confess our baptismal faith together.

C I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who
was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin
Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life
everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

When the petition concludes "God of grace,"
please respond, "hear our prayer."

When the prayers conclude,
please respond, "Amen."

OFFERING

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OFFERING SONG: JESUS, WE LOVE YOU

Verse 1

**Old things have passed away.
Your love has stayed the same.
Your constant grace remains the cornerstone.
Things that we thought were dead
Are breathing in life again.
You cause your Son to shine on darkest nights.**

Pre-Chorus

**For all that You've done we will pour out our love.
This will be our anthem song.**

Chorus

**(Jesus,) we love You. Oh, how we love You.
You are the one our hearts adore.**

Verse 2

**The hopeless have found their hope.
The orphans now have a home.
All that was lost has found its place in You.
You lift our weary head.
You make us strong instead.
You took these rags and made us beautiful.**

Pre-Chorus

**For all that You've done we will pour out our love.
This will be our anthem song.**

Chorus

**(Jesus,) we love You. Oh, how we love You.
You are the one our hearts adore.**

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- The Lord be with you. And also with you.**
- Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.**
- Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.**
- It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
- It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name; your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

SHARING COMMUNION

Please approach the altar, coming down the center aisle. You will be offered a wafer, and you may dip it into the chalice containing wine or white grape juice. Or, you may choose a prepackaged kit. At home, serve yourself, saying to each other/yourself these ancient words of promise: "The body of Christ for you" and "The blood of Christ for you."

COMMUNION SONG: HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE

Verse 1

**How deep the Father's love for us.
How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss,
The Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.**

Verse 2

**Behold the Man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders.
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished.
His dying breath has brought me life.
I know that it is finished.**



Verse 3

I will not boast in anything,
No gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom.
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer,
But this I know with all my heart,
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Life-giving God,
C through this meal you have bandaged our wounds
and fed us with your mercy.
Now send us forth to live for others,
both friend and stranger,
that all may come to know your love.
This we pray in the name of Jesus.

BENEDICTION

P The God of peace, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of
life this day and always.
C Amen.

SENDING SONG: HOW HE LOVES

Verse 1

He is jealous for me, loves like a hurricane.
I am a tree bending beneath
The weight of His wind and mercy.
When all of a sudden I am unaware of
These afflictions eclipsed by glory,
I realize just how beautiful You are,
And how great Your affections are for me.

Pre-Chorus

Oh, how He loves us so. Oh, how He loves us.
How He loves us so.

Verse 1

He is jealous for me, loves like a hurricane.
I am a tree bending beneath
The weight of His wind and mercy.
When all of a sudden I am unaware of
These afflictions eclipsed by glory,
I realize just how beautiful You are,
And how great Your affections are for me.

Pre-Chorus

Oh, how He loves us so. Oh, how He loves us.
How He loves us so.

Chorus

(Yeah) He loves us. Oh, how He loves us.
Oh, how He loves us. Oh, how He loves.
(REPEAT)

Verse 2

We are His portion and He is our prize,
Drawn to redemption by the grace in His eyes.
If grace is an ocean, we're all sinking.
So Heaven meets earth Like a beautiful kiss,
And my heart turns violently inside of my chest.
I don't have time to maintain these regrets
When I think about the way that ...

Chorus

(Yeah) He loves us.
Oh, how He loves us.
Oh, how He loves us.
Oh, how He loves.
(REPEAT)

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DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Love your neighbor.
Invite everyone to Jesus' pathway of joy and life!
C Thanks be to God.