

Sunday, January 9, 2022 – Jesus: Fulfillment

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GOD GATHERS US FOR WORSHIP

Welcome and Call to Worship

It is time to celebrate new beginnings. God is making all things new so we can enter this new year drawing closer to God for God has drawn near to us. We step into the new year with faith, look ahead with hope and walk together in the footsteps of Jesus. *Let's stand to sing the Lord's praise.*

Songs:

Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah (LUYH 518)

Praise the LORD! Sing hallelujah! Come, our great Redeemer praise.
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.
Put no confidence in princes, nor on human help depend.
They shall die, to dust returning; all their thoughts and plans shall end.

Praise the LORD! Sing hallelujah! Come, our great Redeemer praise.
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.
Over all God reigns forever; through all ages he is King.
Unto him, your God, O Zion, joyful hallelujahs sing.

Ten Thousand Reasons (LUYH 559)

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship your holy name.
The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning; it's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me, let me be singing when the evening comes.

You're rich in love, and you're slow to anger. Your name is great, and your heart is kind.
For all your goodness, I will keep on singing— ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.
Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship your holy name.

And on that day when my strength is failing, the end draws near, and my time has come;
still, my soul will sing your praise unending— ten thousand years and then forevermore!
Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship your holy name. (3x)

God of our Life (LUYH 404)

God of our life, through all the circling years we trust in thee;
in all the past, through all our hopes and fears, thy hand we see.
With each new day, when morning lifts the veil, we own thy mercies, Lord, which never fail.

God of the past, our times are in thy hand; with us abide.
Lead us by faith to hope's true promised land; be thou our guide.
With thee to bless, the darkness shines as light, and faith's fair vision changes into sight.

God of the coming years, through paths unknown we follow thee;
when we are strong, Lord, leave us not alone; our refuge be.
Be thou for us in life our daily bread, our heart's true home when all our years have sped.

Please be seated

Call to Confession

As we begin a new year in the shelter of God's love, let us be truthful about our lives, about our walk with God and with one another, about our limits and our shortcomings.

Prayer of Confession

God of all the saints, God of all the sinners, you know we would be saintlike – holy, good, patient, loving. But we end up feeling more like sinners – full of failures of morality, selfish, mean.

Perhaps You see us simply as human – as beloved, and flawed, and trying, and failing, and succeeding. In all of this, forgive the wrong that we have done, and bless the good we have accomplished. Forgive our sin, we pray. (Moment of Silence) Keep on loving us, helping us, and molding us more and more into the image of Christ. Empower us to be imitators of Christ in love and service. Amen. We'll remain seated to continue in prayer as we sing.

Prayer Song: Spirit of the Living God (LUYH 749)

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, move among us all;
make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love;
humble, caring, selfless, sharing
Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love.

Assurance of Pardon

Friends in Christ, know this: the mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting. Let's remember this grace – in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

GOD GIVES US HIS WORD

Jeremiah 23:1-6 'Woe to the shepherds who are destroying and scattering the sheep of my pasture!' declares the Lord. Therefore this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says to the shepherds who tend my people: 'Because you have scattered my flock and driven them away and have not bestowed care on them, I will bestow punishment on you for the evil you have done,' declares the Lord. 'I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them and will bring them back to their pasture, where they will be fruitful and increase in number. I will place shepherds over them who will tend them, and they will no longer be afraid or terrified, nor will any be missing,' declares the Lord. 'The days are coming,' declares the Lord, 'when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. This is the name by which he will be called: The Lord Our Righteous Saviour.

Message: Jesus: Fulfillment (Matthew 1:1-17)

GOD SENDS US OUT TO SERVE

Prayers of the People and Offering

Benediction

Benediction Song: There is a Redeemer (LUYH 833)

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son;
precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.
Thank you O my Father, for giving us your Son,
and leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names,
precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinners slain.
Thank you O my Father, for giving us your Son,
and leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.