



James River  
Community Church

Corporate Worship Gathering

Sunday July 7, 2024

## **Good God Almighty**

*David Crowder, Jeff Sojka, Ben Glover*

I can't count the times I've called  
Your name some broken night  
And you showed up and patched me up  
Like you do every time  
I get amnesia  
I forget that you keep coming around  
Yeah, ain't no way you'll ever let me down

*Good God Almighty  
I hope you'll find me  
Praising your name no matter what comes  
'Cause I know where I'd be  
Without your mercy  
So I keep praising your name at the top of my lungs*

*Tell me is he good?  
He's good  
Tell me is he God?  
He's God  
He is Good God Almighty*

You say your love goes on forever that  
Your mercy never stops  
So why would I assume you'd be  
Somebody that you're not?  
Like sun in the morning  
I know you're gonna be there every day  
So what on earth could make me be afraid?

Praise him in the morning  
Praise him in the noon time  
Praise him when the sun goes down  
Love him in the morning  
Love him in the noon time  
Love Him when the sun goes down

Jesus in the morning  
Jesus in the noon time  
Jesus when the sun goes down

## **Call to Worship**

*Adapted from Psalm 106.*

*Please participate by reading the underlined portions.*

Praise the Lord! Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! His steadfast love endures forever!

**Save us, O Lord our God! Gather us from among the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name, and glory in your praise!**

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting!  
Let all the people say, "Amen!"

**Praise the Lord!**

## **He Calls Me Friend**

*Harrison Druery, Michael Farren, Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson*

I have a friend, a faithful friend  
And Jesus is his name  
He will not leave, he stands by me  
My Shepherd he remains

I have a friend, a mighty friend  
And Jesus is his name  
I shall not fear, he holds me near  
His strength will keep me safe

*His name is True King, Lord of creation  
Ruler without end  
I call him Hope, Peace, Wonderful Savior  
And what joy that Jesus calls me friend*

I have a friend, the kindest friend  
And Jesus is his name  
He hears my cry, by day or night  
And wipes my tears away

I have a friend, a Savior friend  
And Jesus is his name  
He fought for me on Calvary  
And trampled on the grave

## **Congregational Prayer**

Almighty God, Creator of the heavens and the earth, Redeemer of your people,

We bow in humble confession of our sins, because you have promised to forgive us on the merits of Christ, your only Son, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

You alone know how often we have offended you and hurt others.

Forgive us, O Lord, for every irreverent thought, for every untrue word, for every unkind act, for every selfish use of resources, for our neglect of prayer, and for our indifference to your glory.

Have mercy upon us, and cleanse us, and enable us, by your Holy Spirit, to walk after the example of Christ, our risen Lord and King.

It is in His name, and for His sake, that we pray.

Amen.

## **Praise His Name (Psalm 148)**

*Marc Willerton, Nathan Stiff*

Reaches of heaven, starry heights  
Lights of the evening dancing in silent skies  
Brilliance of morning, breaking day  
O let them praise Him, praise His name

*O praise His name*  
*O praise His name*  
*Let all His wondrous works declare His praise*

Mightiest mountains, peaceful plains  
Snowfall and fire, thundering ocean waves  
Kings and their kingdoms, age to age  
O let them praise Him, praise His name

King enthroned in majesty  
All things made by His decree  
Hear creation's melody  
Praise Him, praise Him  
Everything with life and breath  
Everywhere from east to west  
Every heart raised from the dead  
Praise Him, praise Him  
Angels echo the refrain  
Jesus, Lamb for sinners slain  
Name above all other names  
Praise Him

## **Statement of Faith**

*Triune God*

We believe in one true and living God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. These three persons are completely equal in attributes, each with the same divine nature, yet they are each distinct persons. The Triune God is wise, loving, merciful, faithful, patient, abundant in goodness and truth. He is infinite in being and perfection, self-existent and self-sufficient. He is the sovereign Creator of all things, and he upholds and governs all things. He is holy, and utterly opposed to sin; yet he graciously forgives the sin of his people.

## **Member Covenant**

We will pray for, disciple, and watch over one another carefully. We will exhort, help, admonish, and rebuke one another as necessary.

## **Power In The Blood**

*Lewis E. Jones*

Would you be free from the burden of sin?  
There's power in the blood, power in the blood  
Would you o'er evil a victory win?  
There's wonderful power in the blood

*Oh, there's power, power, wonder-working power  
In the blood of the Lamb  
Power, power, wonder-working power  
In the precious blood of the Lamb*

Would you be free from your passion and pride?  
There's power in the blood, power in the blood  
Come for a cleansing to Calvary's tide  
There's wonderful power in the blood

Would you do service for Jesus your King?  
There's power in the blood, power in the blood  
Would you live daily His praises to sing?  
There's wonderful power in the blood

## **Jude 24-25**

<sup>24</sup> Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, <sup>25</sup> to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

## **Celebration of the Lord's Supper**

*If you are a member of James River Community Church (or if you are a baptized member in good standing at a church that preaches the same gospel that you've heard here), we invite you to celebrate the Lord's Supper with us.*

*When you are ready, please come forward to receive the elements. (Elements are gluten-free and alcohol-free.) Take a moment to pray, and remember the person and work of Christ. Confess your sin, and receive God's grace. Reflect on the gospel, and celebrate it as you eat and drink.*

*If you are not a Christian, instead of taking communion, we invite you to take Christ. To turn from your sin, and trust in him, and receive the grace that he freely offers.*

## **From Everlasting (Psalm 90)**

*Lisa Clow, Lacy Hudson*

O God, before the mountains were brought forth  
Or days of spring and summer filled the earth  
From everlasting, You are God

We dwell beneath the stars in ancient skies  
A thousand years are nothing in Your sight  
From everlasting, You are God

*And all our days are held within Your hands  
Your perfect love and favor have no end  
We rest within the wisdom of Your plan  
Everlasting God*

O God, when joy and tragedy collide  
And loss reminds us life is but a sigh  
From everlasting, You are God

O God of light our ways are known to You  
But by Your grace You're making all things new  
So satisfy us in our numbered days  
Establish every effort while we wait  
From everlasting, You are God

## **Announcements**

## **Benediction**

*After the service, please stay a while and fellowship with us. We are so glad you're here!*

## Visiting JRCC

We are so glad that you are here! We hope that your visit is encouraging to your soul. Please fill out a Connect Card and drop it in the offering (or online), so that we can get to know you!



## Membership at JRCC

You are welcome to visit any time, but the best way to feel at home at JRCC is to become a member. If you are interested in membership, or have questions, please let us know!

## Children

- Nursery (infants, up to age 3) is available during the service.
- Children's Church (age 4 to 2nd grade) begins when the sermon begins.



## Giving

There are several ways to give to James River Community Church:

- In the offering box in the back of the sanctuary.
- Online or by mail, by visiting [www.jrccsuffolk.org/give](http://www.jrccsuffolk.org/give).

## Reflection Questions

Questions to help you reflect on the sermon, or discuss it in community with others.



## Contact

If you have any questions, or if there is anything that we can do to serve you, please let us know. We would love to hear from you!

- Church Office - [office@jrccsuffolk.org](mailto:office@jrccsuffolk.org)
- Pastor - Ben LoPresti - [ben.lopresti@jrccsuffolk.org](mailto:ben.lopresti@jrccsuffolk.org)

## Announcements

- Potluck Lunch
  - Immediately after Corporate Worship Service
- Member Meeting
  - Shortly after Corporate Worship Service
- Consortium Tides Game
  - Friday, August 9
  - Sign up by Friday, July 26
- Missions Dinner
  - Saturday, August 10
  - 5:30pm - 7:30pm

