

Midweek Worship Bulletin

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Call to Worship

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You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of the One who called you out of darkness into God's marvelous light. Come and be reminded of God's love for you. Come, quiet your hearts and learn wisdom as we worship God together.

Glory to God Hymnal #388 Come All You People (*Uyai mose*)

Sung by the Reformation Ecumenical Choir in Fond du Lac, WI October 22, 2017

Uyai mose,
tinamate Mwari;
uyai mose,
tinamate Mwari;

Uyai mose,
tinamate Mwari;
uyai mose zvino.

Come all you people,
come and praise the most High;
come all you people,
come and praise the most High;
Come all you people,
come and praise the most High;
come now and worship the Lord.

Come all you people,
come and praise your Maker;
come all you people,
come and praise your Maker;
Come all you people,
come and praise your Maker;
come now and worship the Lord.

Come all you people,
come and praise the Spirit;
come all you people,
come and praise the Spirit;
Come all you people,
come and praise the Spirit;
come now and worship the Lord.

*TEXT: Alexander Gondo, 20th cent.; transcr. I-to Loh, 1986 A favorite among the children of Zimbabwe
MUSIC (UYAI MOSE 5.6.5.6.5.6.7): Alexander Gondo, 20th cent.; arr. John L. Bell, 1994; Arr. © 1994 WGRG, Iona
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Glory to God Hymnal #35 "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

Sung by the Reformation Ecumenical Choir and Congregation October 22, 2017

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!

Let all who hear now to his temple draw near,
joining in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
and, as on wings of an eagle, up lifting, sustaining.

Have you not seen all that is needful has been
sent by his gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!

All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!

Let the amen sound from his people again.

Gladly forever adore him!

TEXT: Joachim Neander, 1680; trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863, alt

*MUSIC (LOBE DEN HERREN 14.14.4.7.8): Stralsund Erneueren Gesangbuch, 1665;
harm. The Chorale Book for England, 1863*

Prayer of Adoration

Scriptures: Isaiah 51:1-13

^{51:1} Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness,
you that seek the Lord.

Look to the rock from which you were hewn,
and to the quarry from which you were dug.

² Look to Abraham your father
and to Sarah who bore you;
for he was but one when I called him,
but I blessed him and made him many.

³ For the Lord will comfort Zion;
he will comfort all her waste places,
and will make her wilderness like Eden,
her desert like the garden of the Lord;
joy and gladness will be found in her,
thanksgiving and the voice of song.

⁴ Listen to me, my people,
and give heed to me, my nation;
for a teaching will go out from me,
and my justice for a light to the peoples.

⁵ I will bring near my deliverance swiftly,
my salvation has gone out
and my arms will rule the peoples;
the coastlands wait for me,
and for my arm they hope.

⁶ Lift up your eyes to the heavens,
and look at the earth beneath;
for the heavens will vanish like smoke,
the earth will wear out like a garment,
and those who live on it will die like gnats;
but my salvation will be for ever,
and my deliverance will never be ended.

⁷ Listen to me, you who know righteousness,
you people who have my teaching in your hearts;
do not fear the reproach of others,
and do not be dismayed when they revile you.

⁸ For the moth will eat them up like a garment,
and the worm will eat them like wool;
but my deliverance will be for ever,
and my salvation to all generations.

⁹ Awake, awake, put on strength,
O arm of the Lord!
Awake, as in days of old,
the generations of long ago!
Was it not you who cut Rahab in pieces,
who pierced the dragon?

¹⁰ Was it not you who dried up the sea,
the waters of the great deep;
who made the depths of the sea a way
for the redeemed to cross over?

¹¹ So the ransomed of the Lord shall return,
and come to Zion with singing;
everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;
they shall obtain joy and gladness,
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

¹² I, I am he who comforts you;
why then are you afraid of a mere mortal who must die,
a human being who fades like grass?

¹³ You have forgotten the Lord, your Maker,
who stretched out the heavens
and laid the foundations of the earth.

You fear continually all day long
because of the fury of the oppressor,
who is bent on destruction.
But where is the fury of the oppressor?

Matthew 11:20-24

²⁰ Then he began to reproach the cities in which most of his deeds of power had been done, because they did not repent. ²¹ 'Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. ²² But I tell you, on the day of judgement it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon than for you. ²³ And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven?

No, you will be brought down to Hades.
For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. ²⁴ But I tell you that on the day of judgement it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom than for you.'

Message: "Remember the Rock from which You Were Hewn"

Glory to God Hymn #329 "God is Our Refuge and Our Strength"

God is our refuge and our strength,
our ever-present aid,
and therefore, though the earth be moved,
we will not be afraid.

Though hills amid the seas be cast,
though foaming waters roar,
yea, though the mighty billows shake
the mountains on the shore.

Where God abides a river flows;
that city will rejoice.
But nations fear and kingdoms shake
before God's thundering voice.

Since God is in the midst of it,
the city walls shall stand,
secure and safe with God's sure help,
when trouble is at hand.

TEXT: Stanzas 1-2, The New Metrical Version of the Psalms, 1909

MUSIC (WINCHESTER OLD, CM): Este's Psalmes, 1592; harm. George Kirbye, 1592

Benediction