

GRACE EVANGELICAL CHURCH

SUNDAY

NOV. 4, 2012

The organ prelude marks the beginning of the worship service. It calls us to quiet ourselves and to direct our hearts and minds toward Him.

Prelude	"Prelude in F Minor" by Johann Sebastian Bach	
Call to Worship	"This Is the Day" "Healing Rain"	Insert
Invocation		
Gloria Patri		Insert
Announcements		
Hymn	"Safely Through Another Week"	69
Hymn	"O Day of Rest and Gladness"	68
Hymn	"Blessed Day of Rest and Cheer"	71
Praise and Prayer		Ron Blackman
Music Special	"I Am Redeemed"	Big Daddy Weave
In His Word	"How Long, O God?"	Lk. 7:11-28
Benediction		
Closing Chorus	"Freely, Freely"	Insert

"He makes all things beautiful in his time"
Ecclesiastes 3:11

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To Know God

O God
There is an aching longing within me
To know more and more
Of Your kindness and peace.
You have promised to give me
(As I learn to know You better)
Everything I could possibly need
For walking in newness of life.
By Your mighty power
You have promised to implant
Your own character within me.
But Your Word makes it clear, Lord
That to obtain these gifts
I need more than faith.
I must discover what You want me to do.
I must strive to become patient and godly.
I must gladly let You have Your way with me.
I must learn to enjoy and love others deeply.

You make it very clear, dear Lord
That the process is a build-up—
Addition upon addition.
But as I willingly yield to You
The reward will be the fulfillment
Of my deepest longing:
I will be spiritually strong
I will be fruitful and useful.
Above all, I will fulfill
Your divine purpose for my life.
For to know You, the eternal God
Is exactly what I was made for.

Ruth harms Calkin

ANNOUNCEMENTS.....

11/04	Sun.	10:30 AM	Sunday School
		11:30 AM	Fellowship & Refreshments
		11:45 AM	Morning Worship
		2:00 Pm	Dinner for the Least
11/07	Wed.	7:00 PM	Mid Week Service
			Prayer, Praise, & Bible Study: "Gospel of Luke"
			Kids Club: Young Teen Talk"

The Least personal hygiene kits: tooth paste, tooth brush, wash cloth, soap, comb, deodorant, razor, feminine napkins.

Bibles for Russia collection in entryway.

Remember soup collection for Metropolitan Ministries.

On the table at the entrance to the sanctuary you will find visitor cards, prayer cards, the attendance register, and the offering box. If you have never completed a visitor card, please complete one and place it in the offering box. If you have completed a visitor card on a previous visit, please register your attendance today by signing the attendance register.

A MERRY HEART DOETH GOOD LIKE A MEDICINE

GREAT TRUTHS

Foreign aid might be defined as a transfer of money from poor people in rich countries to rich people in poor countries. *Douglas Casey*

KENTUCKY HISTORY

In the War of 1812 more than half of all Americans killed in action were Kentuckians

WISDOM OF A NINETY YEAR OLD

Frame every so-called disaster with these words "In five years, will this matter?"

CUTE PUNS

I tried to catch some fog, but I mist.

SOUTHERN HUMOR

Mississippi

The young man from Mississippi came running into the store and said to his buddy, 'Bubba, somebody just stole your pickup truck from the parking lot!' Bubba replied, 'Did you see who it was?' The young man answered, 'I couldn't tell, but I got his license number.'

GED

The following questions were in last year's GED examination.

These are genuine answers (from 16 year olds).....and they WILL breed.

Q. What causes the tides in the oceans

A. The tides are a fight between the earth and the moon. All water tends to flow towards the moon, because there is no water on the moon, and nature abhors a vacuum. I forget where the sun joins the fight

PROVERBS FOR LIVING

"The way of man is forward and strange:
But as for the pure, his work is right."

Proverbs 21:8

Safely Through Another Week

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SABBATH

JOHN NEWTON, 1725-1807

LOWELL MASON, 1792-1872

1. Safe-ly through an-oth-er week God has brought us on our way;
 2. While we pray for par-d'ning grace Thru the dear Re-deem-er's name,
 3. Here we come Thy name to praise— Let us feel Thy pres-ence near;
 4. May Thy gos-pel's joy-ful sound Con-quer sin-ners, com-fort saints;

Let us now a bless-ing seek, Wait-ing in His courts to-day:
 Show Thy rec-on-cil-ed face, Take a-way our sin and shame;
 May Thy glo-ry meet our eyes While we in Thy house ap-pear:
 May the fruits of grace a-bound, Bring re-lief for all com-plaints:

Day of all the week the best, Em-blem of e-ter-nal rest;
 From our world-ly cares set free, May we rest this day in Thee;
 Here af-ford us, Lord, a taste Of our ev-er-last-ing feast;
 Thus may all our Sab-baths prove, Till we join the Church a-bove;

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O Day of Rest and Gladness

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MENDEBRAS

German melody

CHRISTOPHER WORDSWORTH, 1807-1885

Arr. by Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

1. O day of rest and glad-ness, O day of joy and light,
 2. On thee, at the cre-a-tion, The light first had its birth;
 3. To-day on wea-ry na-tions The heav'n-ly man-na falls;
 4. New grac-es ev-er gain-ing From this our day of rest,

O balm of care and sad-ness, Most beau-ti-ful, most bright:
 On thee, for our sal-va-tion, Christ rose from depths of earth;
 To ho-ly con-vo-ca-tions The sil-ver trum-pet calls,
 We reach the rest re-main-ing To spir-its of the blest.

On thee, the high and low-ly, Thru ag-es joined in tune,
 On thee, our Lord, vic-to-rious, The Spir-it sent from heav'n;
 Where Gos-pel light is glow-ing With pure and ra-diant beams,
 To Ho-ly Ghost be prais-es, To Fa-ther, and to Son;

Sing "Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly," To the great God Tri-une.
 And thus on thee, most glo-rious, A tri-ple light was giv'n.
 And liv-ing wa-ter flow-ing With soul-re-fresh-ing streams.
 The Church her voice up-rai-s-es To Thee, blest Three in One.

Blessed Day of Rest and Cheer

SABBATSDAG

JOEL BLUMQVIST, 1840-1930

Trans. by Andrew L. Skoog, 1856-1934 — alt.

JOEL BLUMQVIST, 1840-1930

Arr. by Norman Johnson, 1928-

1. Bless-ed day of rest and cheer! Day di-vine, to us so dear!
 2. Now the week of toil is o'er, And in peace we sit once more
 3. Lord, our God, we seek Thy face, Bless us with sus-tain-ing grace;
 4. Let Thy might-y word hold sway O-ver all our hearts to-day;
 5. May, O Lord, the day be near, When we pass from tri-als here

When we gath-er, old and young, Join-ing here in pray'r and song.
 In Thy pres-ence, gra-cious Lord, Wait-ing for Thy ho-ly Word.
 May Thy her-alds ev-ry-where Faith-ful-ly Thy truth de-clare.
 Hun-g'ring souls, good Shep-herd, feed, In-to pas-tures green us lead.
 In-to Thine e-ter-nal rest, In the man-sions of the blest.

THIS IS THE DAY

This is the day. This is the day.
 That the Lord hath made. That the Lord hath made.
 I will rejoice. I will rejoice.
 And be glad in it. And be glad in it.
 This is the day that the Lord hath made.
 I will rejoice and be glad in it.
 This is the day. This is the day.
 That the lord hath made.

HEALING RAIN

Healing rain is coming down, It's coming nearer to this old town;
 The rich and poor, the weak and strong, It's bringing mercy; it won't be long

Healing rain is coming down, It's coming closer to the lost and found;
 Tears of joy and tears of shame, Awash forever in Jesus' name

Healing rain it comes with fire, So let it fall and take us higher.
 Healing rain, I'm not afraid--To be washed in Heaven's rain.

Lift your heads: let us return--To the mercy seat where time began;
 And in your eyes I see the pain, Come salve this dry heart with healing rain.

Only You, the Son of man, could take a leper and let him stand.
 So lift your hands; they can be held-- by someone greater, the Great I AM.

Healing rain it comes with fire, So let it fall and take us higher.
 Healing rain, I'm not afraid--To be washed in Heaven's rain.

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
 As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be World without end. Amen. Amen

A HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY TO YOU

A happy birthday to you. . . a happy anniversary to you.
 Every day of the year. . . may you find Jesus near.
 A happy birthday to you. . . a happy anniversary to you. The best you have ever had.

FREELY, FREELY

Freely, freely you have received, freely, freely give.
 Go in My name and because you believe Others will know that I live.

11/04/12
"How Long, O God"
Luke 7:11-28
Ecclesiastes 3:11

(Luke 7:28) For I say unto you, Among those that are born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist:

(Luke 7:18-19) And the disciples of John showed him of all these things. And John calling unto him two of his disciples sent them to Jesus, saying, Art thou he that should come? or look we for another?

((Mat 3:11-17) I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire: Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire. Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness. Then he suffered him. And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him: And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

(John 1:29) The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

(Mat 4:12) Now when Jesus had heard that John was cast into prison, he departed into Galilee;

(Mat 11:2) Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples,

(Rev 6:9-10) And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held: And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?

(Eccl 3:11) He hath made every thing beautiful in his time:

(Psa 69:3) I am weary of my crying: my throat is dried: mine eyes fail while I wait for my God.

(Psa 27:14) Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD.

(Psa 37:7) Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.

(Lam 3:26) It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the LORD.

(Heb 6:12) That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

(Psa 62:5) My soul, wait thou only upon God; for my expectation is from him.

(Rom 8:25) But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.

(Psa 130:5) I wait for the LORD, my soul doth wait, and in his word do I hope.

(Psa 39:7) And now, Lord, what wait I for? my hope is in thee.

(Psa 71:14) But I will hope continually, and will yet praise thee more and more.

(Psa 119:81) My soul fainteth for thy salvation: but I hope in thy word.

(Psa 119:114) Thou art my hiding place and my shield: I hope in thy word.

(Heb 6:15) And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise.

I'm Confused

Lord, I'm confused
About something:
You somehow seem
So reluctant
To let me in
On Your plans for me
Very far in advance.
You assure me
Of only two things:
You are God
And You are good.

*Little one
I leave nothing
You need to know
Unsaid.*

Ruth Harms Calkin