

**Sunday, June 22, 2008**

**Reflections**

“Worship is the activity of the new life of the believer in which, recognizing the fullness of the Godhead as it is revealed in the person of Jesus Christ and His mighty redemptive acts, He seeks by the power of the Holy Spirit to render to the living God the glory, honor, and submission which are His due.” - Robert Rayburn

You can do more than pray after you have prayed, but you cannot do more than pray until you have prayed. -- A. J. Gordon

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**Sunday Worship Service Participants**

**June 22**

Greeter - Brent Cotton  
Childcare Workers - Tiffany Brooks and Karen Thorp  
Scripture Reading - Jaime Bean

**June 29**

Greeter - Tracey Cotton  
Childcare Workers - Janet Surprenant and Linda Mason  
Scripture Reading - Jonathan Claggett

**July 6**

Greeter - Matt Oquist  
Childcare Workers - Denise Kingsley and Aaron Brooks  
Scripture Reading - Les Mason

# Service of Praise

## **Prelude**

We invite you to prepare your heart for the worship of our God.

## **\*Call to Worship**

Psalm 150:1-3, 6 (NIV)

*Leader: Praise the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens.*

*People: Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness.*

*Leader: Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre. Let everything that has breath praise the LORD.*

*People: Praise the LORD.*

## **\*Hymn of Praise**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (verses 1, 2, 4, 5)  
Number 53 in Trinity Hymnal or see next page

## **\*Prayer of Adoration**

## **\*Hymn of Praise**

You Are My All in All  
See page 4

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*\*Congregation standing*

### **Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;  
Praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires ever have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee,  
Decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.  
How oft in grief hath not he brought thee relief,  
Spreading his wings to o'ershade thee!

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him.  
Let the Amen sound from His people again,  
Gladly for ever we adore Him.



## Confession of Sin

There are many times we think we love you well, O God.  
But upon hearing your call to love you with all our heart,  
and all our mind, and all our strength,  
we confess that our love for you is diluted  
by lesser loyalties and a divided heart.  
Our love seems pure only for brief moments;  
soon our affections are drawn away.  
How easily our devotion dies.  
Forgive us;  
in deep mercy spare us;  
in grace rekindle our love for you  
as we see anew Jesus' love for us. Amen.

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## A Moment of Private Confession

### Assurance of Pardon

Hebrews 7:24-25

Because Jesus lives forever, he has a permanent priesthood. Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.

### \* +Hymn of Thanks

Before the Throne of God Above  
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*\*Congregation standing*

*+Young children may be dismissed at this time.*



# Call to Commitment

## Collection of Our Gifts to God and to His Church

\*Doxology (Number 731 in Trinity Hymnal)

### Doxology

Text: Thomas Ken, 1709

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH L.M.

Louis Bourgeois's *Genevan Psalter*, 1551

Piano

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all crea- tures here be -

low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

A - - - - - men.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

\*Congregation standing

## Scripture Reading

Matthew 10:24-39 (NIV)

<sup>24</sup>"A student is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. <sup>25</sup>It is enough for the student to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If the head of the house has been called Beelzebub, how much more the members of his household!

<sup>26</sup>"So do not be afraid of them. There is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known. <sup>27</sup>What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; what is whispered in your ear, proclaim from the roofs. <sup>28</sup>Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from the will of your Father. <sup>30</sup>And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. <sup>31</sup>So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.

<sup>32</sup>"Whoever acknowledges me before men, I will also acknowledge him before my Father in heaven. <sup>33</sup>But whoever disowns me before men, I will disown him before my Father in heaven.

<sup>34</sup>"Do not suppose that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. <sup>35</sup> For I have come to turn

" 'a man against his father,  
a daughter against her mother,  
a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law -

<sup>36</sup>a man's enemies will be the members of his own household.'

<sup>37</sup>"Anyone who loves his father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; anyone who loves his son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; <sup>38</sup>and anyone who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me.

<sup>39</sup>Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

## **Prayer of Intercession**

### **Sermon**

Psalm 4 (NASB)

- 1 Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness!  
    You have relieved me in my distress;  
    Be gracious to me and hear my prayer.
- 2 O sons of men, how long will my honor become a reproach?  
    How long will you love what is worthless and aim at deception? Selah.
- 3 But know that the LORD has set apart the godly man for Himself;  
    The LORD hears when I call to Him.
- 4 Tremble, and do not sin;  
    Meditate in your heart upon your bed, and be still. Selah.
- 5 Offer the sacrifices of righteousness,  
    And trust in the LORD.
- 6 Many are saying, "Who will show us any good?"  
    Lift up the light of Your countenance upon us, O LORD!
- 7 You have put gladness in my heart,  
    More than when their grain and new wine abound.
- 8 In peace I will both lie down and sleep,  
    For You alone, O LORD, make me to dwell in safety.

### **\*Hymn of Response**

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past (verses 1-4, 7)  
Number 30 in Trinity Hymnal or see next page

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*\*Congregation standing*

**Our God, Our Help in Ages Past**

Our God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast,  
And our eternal home.

Under the shadow of your throne  
Your saints have dwelt secure;  
Sufficient is your arm alone,  
And our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,  
Or earth received her frame,  
From everlasting you art God,  
To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in your sight  
Are like an evening gone;  
Short as the watch that ends the night  
Before the rising sun.

Our God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
O be our guard while troubles last,  
And our eternal home.

## **\*Confession of Faith**

### The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God,  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried;  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven, and is seated on the right hand of the Father;  
and he shall come again, with glory,  
to judge both the quick and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and Giver of Life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;  
who spoke by the Prophets.  
And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church;  
I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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*\*Congregation standing*

**\*God, All Nature Sings They Glory**

Number 122 in Trinity Hymnal (verse 4)

God of glory, power, mercy, all creation praises thee;  
we, thy creatures, would adore thee now and through eternity.  
Saved to magnify thy goodness, grant us strength to do thy will;  
with our acts as with our voices, thy commandments to fulfill.

**\*Benediction**

**Announcements**

(Please be seated)

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*\*Congregation standing*

## Announcements\*

There's a **church picnic** today at the Wakefields' house (17 Wethersfield Rd., Nashua, NH) after the service. Please come and fellowship!

### Thank you note:

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for you generous baby shower gift. We are overwhelmed by you kindness and thoughtfulness. You have been a loving and supportive family for us and we are so thankful to God for each of you. Your love for one another glorifies God.

*Grace & Peace, The Cottons and The Claggetts*

### Weekly Schedule:

Sunday	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School	Sanctuary
		Children's Sunday School	Basement
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Sunday Night Live	Church Office
	7:30 p.m.	Women's Small Group	Sterretts'

*\*If you have any announcements, please contact the Oquists.*

*Phone: 603-881-3808, Email: [announcements@nashuapca.org](mailto:announcements@nashuapca.org)*

## Kingdom Focused Prayer

*Pray for God's name to be honored*

- Our worship service would be honoring to him
- Thankful for God's provision of a facility to worship in and to be diligent in our care of it so that people will see Christ in us

*Pray for His Kingdom to be extended*

- For our friends and neighbors to come to know Christ
- That Nashua be changed to reflect the city of God
- For the fatherless, widows, orphans and homeless to be cared for by believers
- For justice to be established in Nashua in our courts and streets
- Pray for the work of the Mission To North America committee of our Presbytery as we seek to plant more churches in Northern New England.
- For the opportunity to meet and get to know more people of Nashua because the office is located in a downtown professional building.

*Pray for His people to be fed and nurtured*

- For the Word to be preached faithfully
- That the witness and ministry of our church leadership would be empowered by the Spirit
- That all those who hear would be receptive to the Holy Spirit
- Pray for the elder/deacon training

*Pray for His forgiveness to be felt and extended to others*

- That we become more aware of our sinfulness
- That we be burdened with the things that burden God
- That we may experience the width, length, height, and depth of God's love for us
- For us to be bold in sharing our faith

*Pray for His Bride, the church, to be purified and kept from temptation*

- That God would sanctify his church
- That God would guard us from discouragement
- That God would protect us from gossip and complaining
- For God to strengthen us in faith, that we might believe His promises in the gospel, particularly His delight in saving the lost

## **Mercy Ministry Opportunities**

**Nashua Crisis Pregnancy Care Center**  
883.9355

*Supplies*

Baby items, diapers, etc.

**Upper Room Compassionate Ministries (Katie)**

595.2039

*Volunteers*

For sorting clothes or bagging food for 1 hour or more

*Supplies*

Clothing, particularly socks (mens, childrens), shampoo, toothpaste, diapers (size 4 &5), outdoor clothing, hats, mittens, etc.

"Only the ministry of the church of Jesus Christ and millions of "mini-churches" (Christian homes) throughout the country can attack the roots of social problems." - Tim Keller, *Ministries of Mercy*

