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## Announcements and News

Women's Book Study: Join us for a women's summer book study on the book, *Gentle and Lowly*. Monday evenings 6:30-8:30pm, beginning June 2nd at church. Contact Mary Sharpe with questions.

Weekly Prayer Time: The church is invited to meet for a time of prayer before worship each week from 9:00-9:45am.



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## Call to Worship (Colossians 1:13)

**Leader:** He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son.

**People:** In whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

## Call to Worship (Colossians 1:13)

**Leader:** He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

**People:** For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities.

## Call to Worship (Colossians 1:13)

**Leader:** All things were created through Him and for Him.

**People:** And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together.

## Call to Worship (Colossians 1:13)

**Leader:** And He is the head of the body, the church.

**People:** He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead,  
that in everything He might be preeminent.



## Father Long Before Creation

Father, long before creation  
Thou hast chosen us in love,  
And that love so deep, so moving,  
Draws us close to Christ above.  
Still it keeps us, still it keeps us.  
Firmly fixed in Christ alone.

Though the world may change its fashion,  
Yet our God is e'er the same;  
His compassion and His covenant  
Through all ages will remain.  
God's own children, God's own children  
Must forever praise His name.

God's compassion is my story,  
Is my boasting all the day;  
Mercy free and never failing  
Moves my will, directs my way.  
God so loved us, God so loved us  
That His only Son He gave.

Loving Father now before Thee  
We will ever praise Thy love,  
And our songs will sound unceasing  
‘Til we reach our home above,  
Giving glory, giving glory  
To our God and to the Lamb;  
Giving glory, giving glory  
To our God and to the Lamb.



## Psalm 46

God is our refuge our strength and our shield,  
An ever present help  
We will not fear though the earth gives way,  
And the mountains crash into the sea.

There is a river who's streams will make glad  
The city of our most high king  
God is within her, and she will not fail,  
He helps her at break of the day.

Nations in uproar, men's kingdoms they fall,  
He speaks and the earth melts away.  
The worst we imagine the strongest of storms,  
Our fortress it will still remain.

There is a river who's streams will make glad  
The city of our most high king  
God is within her, and she will not fail,  
Listen and hear the Lord say:

"Be still and know that I am God"

"Be still and know that I am God"

Come, let us see what the Lord has done,  
The ruins He brings to the earth.  
He makes wars to cease to the ends of the earth,  
He shatters the bow and the spear.

There is a river who's streams will make glad  
The city of our most high king  
God is within her, and she will not fail,  
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## Confession of Sin

**Leader:** Your kingdom empowers us to yield our will  
and to live to trust in and please Christ

**People:** But our flesh, in turn, entices us to hedonism;  
to love and entrust ourselves to the things of  
the earth.

## Confession of Sin

**Leader:** Your kingdom empowers us to exalt and proclaim the pre-eminence of Christ.

**People:** But our flesh, in turn, entices us to proclaim the pre-eminence of the people and things and powers of this earth.

## Confession of Sin

**Leader:** Your kingdom empowers us to empty ourselves of the pursuit to power: to race to the bottom in order to proclaim and pursue others to be reconciled to Christ.

## Confession of Sin

**People:** But our flesh, in turn, entices us to elevate ourselves and pursue power in relationships and over things we can never control that suck the life and joy from us.

**Leader:** Your kingdom empowers us to be promiscuous with our money and stingy with our bodies for God's Glory.

## Confession of Sin

**People:** But our flesh, in turn, entices us to be promiscuous with our bodies and stingy with our money to satisfy our own sinful pleasures.

## Assurance of Pardon (from Colossians 1)

**Leader:** For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell

**People:** and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven

## Assurance of Pardon (from Colossians 1)

**Leader:** making peace by the blood of His cross.

**People:** And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, He has now reconciled in His body of flesh by his death,

## Assurance of Pardon (from Colossians 1)

**Leader:** in order to present Y<sup>O</sup>U holy and blameless and above reproach before Him, if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast

**People:** not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven.



## No Not One

There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus.

No, not one! No, not one!

None else could heal all our soul's diseases.

No, not one! No, not one!

Jesus knows all about our struggles;  
He will guide till the day is done.  
There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus.  
No, not one! No, not one!

No friend like Him is so high and holy.  
No, not one! No, not one!  
And yet no friend is so meek and lowly.  
No, not one! No, not one!

Jesus knows all about our struggles;  
He will guide till the day is done.  
There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus.  
No, not one! No, not one!

There's not an hour that He is not near us.

No, not one! No, not one!

No, night so dark but His love can cheer us.

No, not one! No, not one!

Jesus knows all about our struggles;  
He will guide till the day is done.  
There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus.  
No, not one! No, not one!





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# COLOSSIANS

## **Colossians 1:9-10**

<sup>9</sup>And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, <sup>10</sup>so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;

## **Colossians 1:11-14**

<sup>11</sup>being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy; <sup>12</sup>giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. <sup>13</sup>He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup>in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

## **Romans 5:10-11**

For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.



# The Cult of the Self



## **John 15:3-4**

<sup>3</sup>Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you.

<sup>4</sup>Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me.

## Hebrews 12:1-2

<sup>1</sup>... let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup>looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith...



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## Before the Throne

Before the throne of God above  
I have a strong and perfect plea  
A great High Priest whose name is love  
Whoever lives and pleads for me

My name is graven on His hands  
My name is written on His heart  
I know that while in heav'n He stands  
No tongue can bid me thence depart  
No tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair  
And tells me of the guilt within  
Upward I look and see Him there  
Who made an end of all my sin

Because the sinless Savior died  
My sinful soul is counted free  
For God the Just is satisfied  
To look on Him and pardon me  
To look on Him and pardon me

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb  
My perfect, spotless Righteousness  
The great unchangeable I AM  
The King of glory and of grace

One with Himself, I cannot die  
My soul is purchased by His blood  
My life is hid with Christ on high  
With Christ my Savior and my God  
With Christ my Savior and my God



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