



Golden Calf 20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 11th, 2020
Sunday Worship at 10:30am



Call to Worship

One: Our God is full of love
All: And we will not act in anger.
One: From every thought of vengeance
All: Out God will turn away,
One: Remembering the covenant
All: Once promised to God's people.

Gathering Songs – Come, Now is the Time to Worship &
We Are Called

Come Now Is The Time To Worship

Words and Music by
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$\text{♩} = 98$ **CHORUS**

D

Come, now is the time _____ to wor _____ - _____ ship. _____

A


G

Come, now is the time _____ to give _____ your _____ heart. _____

D

D

Come, just as you are _____ to wor - ship. _____

Last time to Coda 

A

G

Come, just as you are _____ be - fore _____ your _____ God. _____

VERSE

D

D

Come.

1. One day ev - 'ry tongue will con - fess — You are God. —
2. Will - ling - ly we choose to sur - ren - der our lives. —

G

G

One day ev - 'ry knee — will bow. —
Will-ing - ly our knees — will bow. —

Still, the great-est treas-ure re-mains .
With all our heart, _ soul, _ mind, .

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24 Bm G A D.C. al Coda

— for — those — who glad - ly — choose — You now. —
 — and — strength — we glad - ly — choose — You now. —

⊕ Coda
 D

ENDING

28 D

Come. Come. Come,

33

just as you are, — come. Come.

WE ARE CALLED

Larry Olson

$\text{♩} = 112$ G G C

We are called (we are called). We are claimed (we are claimed). We are loved (we are loved).
We are here (we are here). To pro-claim (to pro-claim). God is here

(we are loved) by the ho - ly name. We are healed (we are healed). We are whole
(God is here); calls us each by name. We are here (we are here). To give praise

(we are whole). (to give praise). The Sav-ior ran-somed our souls— and we're singing
The love of God will not change— and we're singing

C G D G

C D G Em C D

Glo - ry, Glo - ry, Glo - ry Hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry, Glo - ri - a.

G C D G Em

Oh, ——— Glo - ry, Glo - ry, Glo - ry Hal - le - lu - jah.

C D G

Glo - ry, Glo - ri - a! *Fine*

The Story with the kids

Welcome

No Longer Strangers Prayer

Holy Spirit of God,

You blow into our lives and send us in directions we never would have gone on our own. Send us into the lives of people we don't know, people we would call 'stranger' and reveal yourself right there to us. We are no longer strangers to each other – you make us brother and sister. Amen.

Greeting

Wherever you are on your journey of faith, we believe that God meets you here. We gather in the name of God the eternal Creator – Jesus Christ, God's only Son and the Holy Spirit – who is with you always... **And also with you.**

Confession and Forgiveness

Let us confess that God is God and we are not.

Silence for prayer and contemplation.

God of all ages

You have chosen us as your own, yet we so often live as if it were not so. We succumb to things which are not good for us. We believe we know better than you. We refuse to put our trust in your promises. Sweep away our foolishness and bring us back into a trusting relationship with the one who has lovingly created us and longs to be our strength and life.

Dear people, hear the joyful words that God has forgiven us! Our misdeeds and folly are forgotten; grace and mercy ✝ abound. Let us give thanks that we have a compassionate creator! **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

Merciful God,

You do not punish us as our deeds deserve, but rather show compassion to your wayward people. May we in turn show grace to others, that love may abound, and all may know your mercy, through Jesus our savior. Amen.

THE STORY

Narrator: Our story and God's story continues with a reading from Exodus 32:1-14

Narrator: When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him,

All: Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.

Narrator: Aaron said to them,

Reader 1: Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.

Narrator: So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said,

Reader 1: These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!

Narrator: When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said,

Reader 1: Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord.

Narrator: They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel. The Lord said to Moses,

All: Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'

Narrator: The Lord said to Moses,

ALL: I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.

Narrator: But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said,

Reader 2: O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'

Narrator: And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

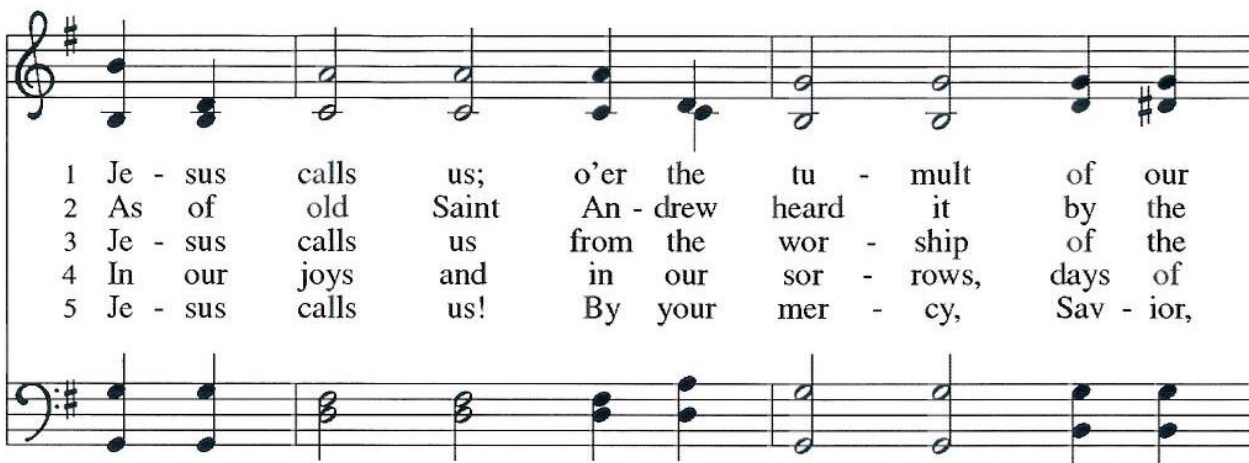
Narrator: Stay tuned for the continuing saga that is our story and God's story.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Hymn – Jesus calls Us, o'er the Tumult

Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult



1 Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult of our
 2 As of old Saint An - drew heard it by the
 3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the
 4 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of
 5 Je - sus calls us! By your mer - cy, Sav - ior,



life's wild, rest - less sea, day by day his clear voice
 Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and toil and
 vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol that would
 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and
 may we hear your call, give our hearts to your o -



sound - ing, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me":
 kin - dred, leav - ing all for Je - sus' sake.
 keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."
 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."
 be - dience, serve and love you best of all.

Prayers of the People

Each petition will end with the words: *Lord in your mercy.*

You will respond: ***Hear our prayers.***

Offering

Worship Leader: *We are grateful for your financial gifts; it's the only way churches are churches. Set up automatic giving by going to our website, riverofhopehutchinson.org and follow the directions to "give online".*

Offering Hymn – I Offer My Life

I Offer My Life

Words and Music by
Claire Cloninger and Don Moen

♩ = 76

VERSE

F **B♭/F**

1. All that I am, — all that I have, —
2. Things in the past, — things yet un - seen, —

C/F **Gm/F** **F** **C/E** **Dm⁷**

I lay them down — be - fore You, — O Lord; — All my re - grets, —
wish - es and dreams — that are yet — to come true; — All of my hopes, —

B² **F/A** **Gm⁷** **F/A** **B♭**

all my ac - claim, — the joy and the pain, — I'm mak - ing them Yours. .
all of my plans, — my heart and my hands — are lift - ed to You. —

CHORUS

Gm⁷/C **C** **F** **Dm⁷**

Lord, I of - fer my life — to You, ev - 'ry-thing I've —

Gm⁹ **F/A** **B♭** **B♭maj⁷/C** **C** **F**

— been through, — use it for Your glo - ry; Lord, I of - fer my days .

Dm⁷ **Gm⁹** **F/A** **B♭** **B♭maj⁷/C** **A⁷/C#**

— to You, lift - ing my praise — to You — as a pleas - ing sac - ri - fice, .

18 Dm Am⁷/C Gm⁷ Last time to Coda \oplus 1. F C/F B \flat /F F C/F B \flat /F

Lord, I of - fer You my life.

22 2. B \flat m⁹ BRIDGE D \flat maj⁷/E \flat E \flat Cm¹¹ E \flat /F Fm

life. What can we give that You have not giv - en; And

25 B \flat m⁹ A \flat E \flat Cm⁷ Fm B \flat m⁹ E \flat

what do we have that is not al-read - y Yours? All we pos - sess are these lives .

28 Cm⁷ E \flat /F F B \flat m⁷ A \flat /C B \flat /C D.S. al Coda

we're liv - ing, and that's what we give to You, Lord.

31 \oplus Coda F

life.

THE FEAST

Setting the Table

Children will lead us in the table prayer written by Martin Luther:

Let's pray: **Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest. And let these gifts to us be blest. Blest be God who is our bread, may all the world be clothed and fed. Amen.**

Invitation to Communion

You give us every good thing for food, O Lord, including yourself in the bread and cup which we share in this meal. Feed us on your goodness and mercy, that we might be living compassion to all whom we encounter.

As we gather we remember, that in the night when Jesus was betrayed by his best friends, he took bread. He blessed it and broke it and gave it to these same friends saying, "Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup, blessed it and gave it for all to drink saying, "This is the new covenant, the new promise, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this for the remembrance of me."

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and forever. Amen. From you, through you and in you, are all things, now and always; to you be all honor and praise. Amen.

Invitation to the Meal

You are welcome to this meal. It is free and it is for you. If you hunger and thirst for grace and mercy that comes through Jesus Christ, then Christ has set this table just for you.

Blessing after Communion

May the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his peace. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray, **Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

THE SENDING

Why does our church exist? What is our purpose?

We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

Purpose Sightings

There are many opportunities to serve God and our neighbor – this is the time to lift those up!

MILESTONES! Just A Closer Walk with Thee – Chorus Only

Just a Closer Walk with Thee



Refrain Just a clos - er walk with thee, grant it, Je - sus, is my plea;
1 I am weak but thou art strong: Je - sus, keep me from all wrong;
2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I fal - ter, Lord, who cares?
3 When my fee - ble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;



dai - ly walk-ing close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.
I'll be sat - is - fied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee. *Ref.*
Who with me my bur - den shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. *Ref.*
guide me gent - ly, safe - ly o'er to thy king - dom shore, to thy shore. *Ref.*



Text: North American traditional
Music: CLOSER WALK, North American traditional

Final Blessing

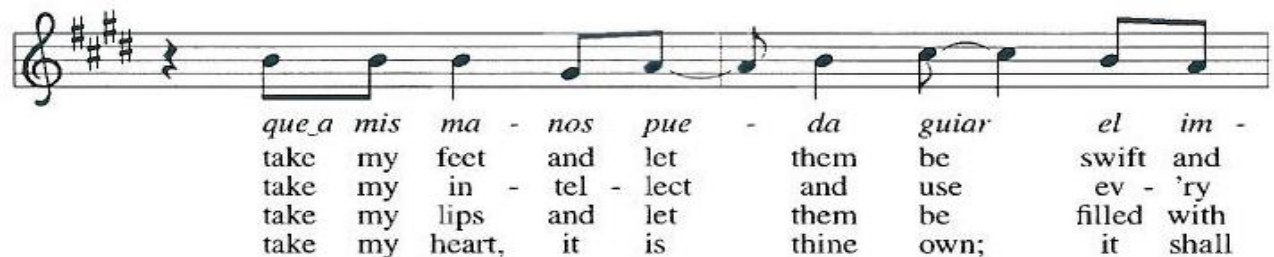
May the LORD bless you and protect you. May the LORD smile on you and be gracious to you. May the LORD show you his favor and give you peace.

Sending Song – Take My Life That I May Be

Take My Life, That I May Be

Toma, oh Dios, mi voluntad

Refrain/Estribillo



Refrain/Estribillo



Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, adapt.; Spanish text: Vicente Mendoza, 1875-1955

Music: TOMA MI VOLUNTAD, William Dexheimer Pharris, b. 1956

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Go in peace – Serve the Lord! **Thanks be to God**

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