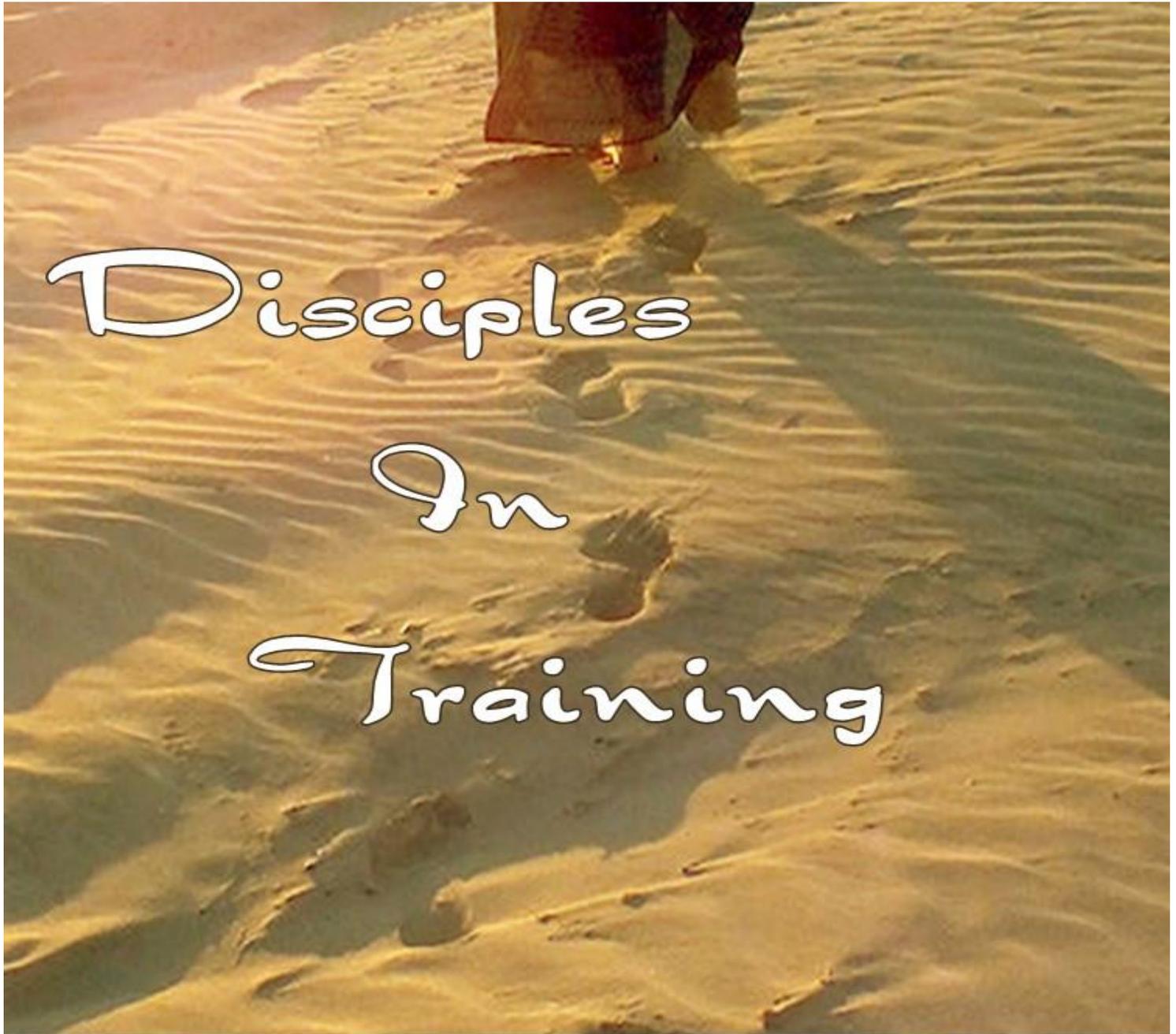


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WELCOME IN THE NAME OF JESUS!

We would like to extend a warm welcome to all who are worshipping with us this morning. A special welcome is extended to those visiting with us. Denying ourselves and taking up the cross of Jesus and following Him is a challenge and sometimes hard to do and understand. What it means is for us to put Christ on ourselves and to be Jesus to our community and world. God's blessings on your worship this morning!

AS YOU PREPARE TO WORSHIP

- Please sign an attendance card. Pass to the center of the isle (will be collected after offering).
- Please silence your cell phone.
- Children are welcomed in worship! There are busy bags available in the narthex with coloring pages and books. There will be a Children's Time during worship for your child(ren) to go up front with the pastor. If your child becomes fussy, you may prefer to use the nursery room (toys are available in the room and there is audio and video of the service).

THOSE SERVING TODAY

Pastor: Rev. Keith Reich	Organist: Bonnye Wenzel	Usher Captain: Doyle Roberts
Elders: Jason Bussey & Tom White	Acolytes: Bret Bauman & Grant Bauman	
Offering Counter: John Parks	Greeters: Bobbie Young & Kay Zschiesche	Trustee: Danny Crouch

ORDER OF WORSHIP

HYMN — "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" # 549

**All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown Him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown Him Lord of all.**

**Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God, who from His altar call;
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod and crown Him Lord of all.
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod and crown Him Lord of all.**

**Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, Ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace and crown Him Lord of all.
Hail Him who saves you by His grace and crown Him Lord of all.**

**Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line, whom David Lord did call,
The God incarnate, man divine, and crown Him Lord of all.
The God incarnate, man divine, and crown Him Lord of all.**

**Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall,
Go, spread your trophies at His feet and crown Him Lord of all.
Go, spread your trophies at His feet and crown Him Lord of all.**

**Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, on this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe and crown Him Lord of all.
To Him all majesty ascribe and crown Him Lord of all.**

**Oh, that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song and crown Him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song and crown Him Lord of all.**

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CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

"Who You Say I Am"

**Who am I that the highest King would welcome me
I was lost but He brought me in oh His love for me; Oh His love for me**

Chorus 1: Who the Son sets free oh is free indeed, I'm a child of God yes I am

**Free at last He has ransomed me His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin Jesus died for me; Yes He died for me
Chorus 1 and Chorus 2**

Chorus 2: In my Father's house there's a place for me, I'm a child of God yes I am.

P: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, and call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God be merciful to me, a sinner.

C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I assure you that all of your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

“Who You Say I Am” Repeat everything from first time

Bridge: I am chosen not forsaken, I am who You say I am
You are for me not against me, I am who You say I am
I am chosen not forsaken, I am who You say I am
You are for me not against me, I am who You say I am, I am who You say I am
Chorus 1 and Chorus 2 twice

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SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray... Almighty God, Your Son willing endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING — *Jeremiah 15:15-21*

¹⁵ O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and take vengeance for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance take me not away; know that for your sake I bear reproach. ¹⁶ Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts. ¹⁷ I did not sit in the company of revelers, nor did I rejoice; I sat alone, because your hand was upon me, for you had filled me with indignation. ¹⁸ Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Will you be to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail? ¹⁹ Therefore thus says the LORD: "If you return, I will restore you, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall be as my mouth. They shall turn to you, but you shall not turn to them. ²⁰ And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over

you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, declares the LORD. ²¹ I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless." (ESV)

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING — *Romans 12:9-21*

⁹ Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. ¹⁰ Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. ¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. ¹⁷ Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹ Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰ To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good. (ESV)

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA and VERSE — page 205

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
These things are written that you may believe
That Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

GOSPEL READING — *Matthew 16:21-28*

²¹ From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²² And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you." ²³ But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man." ²⁴ Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵ For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. ²⁶ For what

will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul? ²⁷ For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. ²⁸ Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom." (ESV)

P: This is the Gospel of Lord.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH — Apostles' Creed (*inside back cover of hymnal*)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN — "Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" # 685

Let us ever walk with Jesus, follow His example pure,
Through a world that would deceive us and to sin our spirits lure.
Onward in His footsteps treading, pilgrims here, our home above,
Full of faith and hope and love, let us do the Father's bidding.
Faithful Lord, with me abide; I shall follow where You guide.

Let us suffer here with Jesus and with patience bear our cross.
Joy will follow all our sadness; where He is, there is no loss.
Though today we sow no laughter, we shall reap celestial joy;
All discomforts that annoy shall give way to mirth hereafter.
Jesus, here I share Your woe; help me there Your joy to know.

Let us gladly die with Jesus. Since by death He conquered death.
He will free us from destruction, give to us immortal breathe.
Let us mortify all passion that would lead us into sin;
And the grace that shuts us in shall but prove the gate to heaven.
Jesus, here with You I die, there to live with You on high.

**Let us also live with Jesus, He has risen from the dead.
That to life we may awaken, Jesus You are now our head.
We are Your own living members; where You live, there we shall be
In Your presence constantly, living there with You forever.
Jesus, let me faithful be, life eternal grant to me.**

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MESSAGE – *Disciples in Training: Take Up Your Cross!* – Matthew 16:21-28

“As a result of what you have heard from God’s Word today, what is He giving you to believe or do this coming week? _____

GATHERING OF OUR OFFERINGS — (Give online at www.stjohnhamilton.org or text amount to 833-706-7586.)

HYMN — “We Give Thee But Thine Own” # 781 vv. 1-2

**We give Thee but Thine own, whate’re the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.**

**May we Thy bounties thus as stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, to Thee our firstfruits give!**

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C: Amen.

SONG — “How Great is Our God/How Great Thou Art”

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty;
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.
He wraps himself in light, and darkness tries to hide,
And trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice.

Chorus: How great is our God! Sing with me: How great is our God!
And all will see how great, how great, is our God!

And age to age He stands, and time is in His hands;
Beginning and the end, beginning and the end.
The God-head, three in one, Father, Spirit, Son,
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb. **Chorus**

Bridge: Name above all names, Worthy of all praise;
My heart will sing, How great is our God
Repeat Bridge

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

But when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in.
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin;

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art! **Chorus x 2**

Ending: How great, how great is our God.