

# Order of Worship

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10:30 AM Lord's Day Worship, March 24, 2024

## Prelude & Welcome

### Call to Worship

(Liturgist) Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in

**(Congregation) Who is this King of glory?**

(Liturgist) The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle

**(Congregation) Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in**

(Liturgist) Who is he, this King of glory?

**(Congregation) The LORD Almighty - he is the King of glory.**

- Psalm 24:7-10

### Opening Prayer

\*Sharing of God's Peace

\*Opening Praise: LUYH #145 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

LUYH #146 All Glory, Laud and Honor

**Confession of Sin:** Ephesians 2:1-3

**Assurance of Pardon:** Ephesians 2:4-10

**Confession of Faith:** The Apostles' Creed

\*Song of Praise: LUYH #770 In Christ Alone

**Announcements & Congregational Prayer**

**Children's Blessing**

**Message: "God's Defining Grace"**

Romans 8:31-39 NIV (Page 1119)

\*Hymn of Application:

LUYH #690 I Know Not Why God's Wondrous Grace

**Offering & Offertory**

Online Giving available via Zelle ([admin@cccei.org](mailto:admin@cccei.org)) & Venmo (@ccceastislip)

March Special Offering: Abraham & Elaine Lee (Mexico)

\*Doxology: YB #50 My Friends May You Grow In Grace

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

\*Please stand in body or in spirit

# Today's Scripture | Romans 8:31-39 NIV

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31 What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us? 32 He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? 33 Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. 34 Who is he that condemns? Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. 35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? 36 As it is written: “For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.” 37 No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. 38 For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, 39 neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## Sermon Notes

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## Announcements

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1. **[Happy Palm Sunday!]** Hosanna! Thank you for joining us in worship this morning! If you are new, please fill out a Connection Card so we can better welcome you! Please stay after worship for our coffee hour fellowship as we celebrate our March Birthdays!
2. **[Easter Lilies/Flowers]** If you would like to help decorate the front of the sanctuary with lilies and flowers for our Resurrection Sunday Worship, please bring the flowers before 10:15am next Sunday, March 31.
3. **[This Week at CCCEI]** Ladies' Bible Study will meet, Tues. 3/26, 10am. There will be no Midweek Prayer via Zoom and no Men's Bible Study.
4. **[Children's Ministry Event]** Join us on Sat. 3/30 at 11am for a time of fellowship and a special Easter Egg Hunt for our Children's Ministry. Questions? Speak with Jin or Faye.
5. **[Holy Week Services]** Good Friday Worship, Fri. 3/29, 7pm; Sunrise Worship at Heckscher State Park-Field 6, Sun., 3/31, 7am; Resurrection Sunday Worship, Sun. 3/31, 10:30am - with Children's Ministry Presentation.
6. **[April Council Business Meeting]** The Council's next business meeting will be Sat. April 6 at 8:30am. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the business of the church, please speak with a Council member.
7. **[Looking Ahead - Dates to Remember]**  
3/26: Ladies Bible Study @ 10AM  
3/29: Good Friday Worship Service @ 7 PM  
3/31: Easter Sunrise Service @ 7 AM  
Resurrection Sunday Service @ 10:30 AM  
\*NO Coffee Hour Fellowship\*
8. **[Special Prayers for our Senior Saints]** Ruth C., Carl F., Ginny F., Lynn O., Mary-Nancy V.E., Frank W.
9. **[Membership Class]** If you're interested in becoming a member, the next class will be offered in April. Sign up with Pastor James.

**ZOOM INFO - Meeting ID: #384 506 8857 Passcode: 11730**



**Church Council** – [council@cccei.org](mailto:council@cccei.org)

### Consistory

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**“God’s Defining Grace”**

Romans 8:31-39 NIV

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## **My Friends May You Grow In Grace**

**YB #50, CCLI #3140875**

My friends, may you grow in grace,  
And in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior.  
My friends, may you grow in grace,  
And in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.  
To God be the glory, now and forever,  
Now and forever, amen.  
To God be the glory, now and forever,  
Now and forever, amen.

## **Hosanna, Loud Hosanna**

**LUYH #145, CCLI #3140875**

### **Verse 1**

Hosanna, loud hosanna the little children sang;  
Through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang.  
To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast,  
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

### **Verse 2**

From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd,  
The victory palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud.  
From Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,  
Nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

### **Verse 3**

“Hosanna in the highest!” That ancient song we sing,  
For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven, our King.  
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,  
And in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.

## **I Know Not Why God’s Wondrous Grace**

**LUYH #690, CCLI #3140875**

### **Verse 1**

I know not why God’s wondrous grace  
to me he has made known,  
nor why, unworthy, Christ in love  
Redeemed me for his own.

### *Refrain*

But “I know whom I have believed,  
And am persuaded that he is able.  
To keep that which I’ve committed unto him against that day.”

### **Verse 2**

I know not how this saving faith to me he did impart,  
Nor how believing in his Word wrought peace within my heart.

### *Refrain*

### **Verse 3**

I know not how the Spirit moves, convincing us of sin,  
Revealing Jesus through the Word, creating faith in him.

### *Refrain*

### **Verse 4**

I know not what of good or ill may be reserved for me,  
Of weary ways or golden days, before his face I see.

### *Refrain*

## **In Christ Alone**

**LUYH #770, CCLI #3140875**

### **Verse 1**

In Christ alone my hope is found;  
He is my light, my strength, my song –  
This cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease.  
My comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

### **Verse 2**

In Christ alone, who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones he came to save.  
'Til on the cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied.  
For every sin on him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.

### **Verse 3**

There in the ground his body lay,  
light of the world by darkness slain;  
then, bursting forth in glorious day,  
up from the grave he rose again!  
And as he stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am his and he is mine,  
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

### **Verse 4**

No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the power of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no human plan,  
can every pluck me from his hand;  
'til he returns or calls me home,  
here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

## **All Glory, Laud and Honor**

**LUYH #146, CCLI #3140875**

### *Refrain*

All glory, laud and honor to you, Redeemer, King,  
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosanas ring.

### **Verse 1**

You are the King of Israel and David's royal Son,  
now in the Lord's name coming, the King and Blessed One.

### *Refrain*

### **Verse 2**

The company of angels is praising you on high,  
And we with all creation in chorus make reply.

### *Refrain*

### **Verse 3**

The people of the Hebrews with palms before you went;  
Our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present.

### *Refrain*

### **Verse 4**

To you before your passion they sang their hymns of praise;  
To you, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

### *Refrain*

### **Verse 5**

As you received their praises, accept the prayers we bring,  
For you delight in goodness, O good and gracious King!

### *Refrain*