

Order of Service 5.23.2021

Prelude

The Comforter Has Come -arr. Parks

Welcome/Call to Worship

Our God Is An Awesome God

(No. 2040 *The Faith We Sing*)

Our God is an awesome God;
He reigns from heaven
above with wisdom, pow'r and love.
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Opening Hymn

My Redeemer (Cokesbury No. 47)

Verse 1

I will sing of my Redeemer
And His wondrous love to me
On the cruel cross He suffered
From the curse to set me free

Chorus

Sing O sing of my Redeemer
With His blood He purchased me
On the cross He sealed my pardon
Paid the debt and made me free

Verse 2

I will tell the wondrous story
How my lost estate to save
In His boundless love and mercy
He the ransom freely gave (Chorus)

Verse 3

I will praise my dear Redeemer
His triumphant power I'll tell
How the victory He giveth
Over sin and death and hell (Chorus)

Verse 4

I will sing of my Redeemer
And His heav'nly love for me
He from death to life
Hath brought me
Son of God with Him to be (Chorus)

Announcements Morning Prayer/ KID Central Call

Special Music

Fall on Me-by Williams and Nolan

Scripture Lesson

Mark 10:35-45

The Request of James and John

³⁵ James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." ³⁶ And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" ³⁷ And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." ³⁸ But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" ³⁹ They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

⁴¹ When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴² So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³ But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

Sermon

I Want What I Want When I Want It

Are Ye Able, Said the Master (Cokesbury 186)

Verse 1

"Are ye able," said the Master,
"To be crucified with me?"
"Yea," the sturdy dreamers
answered,

"To the death we follow Thee."

Refrain:

Lord, we are able.
Our spirits are Thine.
Remold them, make us,
Like Thee, divine.
Thy guiding radiance
Above us shall be
A beacon to God,
To love, and loyalty.

Verse 2

Are ye able to remember,
When a thief lifts up his eyes,
That his pardoned soul is worthy
Of a place in paradise? [Refrain]

Verse 3

Are ye able when the shadows
Close around you with the sod,
To believe that spirit triumphs,
To commend your soul to God?
[Refrain]

Verse 4

Are ye able? Still the Master
Whispers down eternity,
And heroic spirits answer,
Now, as then, in Galilee. [Refrain]

Postlude

See How Great a Flame Aspires -arr. Krug



Carpenter's Clubhouse
Preschool is now
enrolling for Fall 2021.
For more information,
call 704-739-2471.

Sunday School News

Central UMC is now offering two congregational wide Sunday School Classes. Join us at 9:00am for our Sunday School Class led by Jim Larson and later at 11:10am with Gene Bragg. Both classes will be held in the CAC and each will study independent topics.

6/5/21 Outdoor Worship & Hot Dog Lunch

We are going to be having an Outdoor Worship Service on Sunday, June 6 at 10:00 am. Following worship, you are invited to join us for a free hot dog lunch.

Our graduating high school seniors are eligible to apply for the **Ben Beam Scholarship**. Deadline to apply is by noon on May 28, 2021. For more information, please contact the church office.

Please send your **2021 graduation announcements** to central@cumckm.org by May 28, 2021.

KID Central Families will sit together in service and, after the morning prayer, KID Central volunteers will escort your children to their rooms and return them at the end of service. Volunteers will take every safety precaution that they can to keep your children as safe as possible.

Volunteer to Assemble Shoeboxes Built Online in Charlotte
Join us on **Saturday, May 29** to help fill shoeboxes for Samaritan's Purse, Charlotte location 9:00 AM - Noon. We will meet at the church at 8:00 AM and take the van. No supplies needed; they provide everything to fill the boxes. Masks must be worn in keeping with COVID protocol guidelines. We need to know by **Monday, May 24** as space is limited. **Please RSVP to central @cumckm.org or see Stephanie Wilson.**

*Thank You
for joining us today and
your continued support!*

STEWARDSHIP REPORT ATTENDANCE

(5/16) 10:00a Service.....86

Operating Fund

Contributions 5/16 \$ 8,655.34
Contributions YTD \$152,990.36

Capital Improvements Fund

Contributions 5/16 \$ 0.00
Contributions YTD \$ 450.00

PRAYER LIST: PRAISES AND CONCERNS

Praises and concerns will stay on this list for one month unless otherwise requested.

Members in Nursing Homes, Assisted Living and Homebound: Peggy Ramey; Sara Griffin; Jane Edwards; Barbara Bridges; Ruth Wilson, Betty Masters.

Military Personnel: SGT Tyler Dixon-Marines; SSGT Jonathan Brucker-Army; CAPT Alex Plonk-Air Force; S 1 Tyler Hellstrand-Navy; Abbey Wallace-Air Force (Afghanistan); SSG Colby Bailey—Army (Deployed); LT Boone McDaniel, Navy; CAPT Wendell Bunch, Jr.—Army; CAPT Alex Young,—Air Force; SP4 Joshua Brucker (Syria).

Concerns (members/constituents/church-related concerns): Guidance in developing new ministries; our college students; Community Kitchen Ministry.

Concerns (friends/relatives/other concerns): All children in need; Samuel Smith (cancer) 9.30.19; Cristi Boyd 9.30.19; Diane Larose 10.7.19; Crystal Braswell 10.16.19; Mary Denton 2.11.21; Kimberly Spangler 2.11.21; Wally & Leigh Davis 3.19.21; Fleete Wilson on the passing of his mother, Lula Coleen Wilson 5.11.21; Brad Wells (heart attack) 5.14.21; Walter Bragg (heart issues) 5.18.21.

EARL MARLATT

HARRY S. MASON

1. "Are ye a - ble," said the Mas - ter, "To be cru - ci - fied with me?"
 2. "Are ye a - ble," to re - mem - ber, When a thief lifts up his eyes,
 3. "Are ye a - ble," when the shad - ows Close a - round you with the sod,
 4. "Are ye a - ble," still the Mas - ter Whis - pers down e - ter - ni - ty,

"Yea," the stur - dy dream - ers an - swered, "To the death we fol - low Thee."
 That His par - doned soul is wor - thy Of a place in Par - a - dise?
 To be - lieve that spir - it tri - umphs, To commend your soul to God?
 And he - ro - ic spir - its an - swer, Now, as then in Gal - i - lee.

REFRAIN

"Lord, we are a - ble," Our spir - its are Thine, Re - mold them,

make us like Thee, di - vine. Thy guid - ing ra - diance a - bove

us shall be A bea - con to God, To love and loy - al - ty.

My Redeemer

P. P. BLISS

JAMES MCGRAHAM

1. I will sing of my Re-deem-er, And His won-drous love to me;
 2. I will tell the won-drous sto-ry, How my lost es-tate to save,
 3. I will praise my dear Re-deem-er, His tri-um-phant pow'r I'll tell,
 4. I will sing of my Re-deem-er, And His heav-n-ly love to me;

On the cru-el cross He suf-fered, From the curse to set me free.
 In His bound-less love and mer-cy, He the ran-som free-ly gave.
 How the vic-to-ry He giv-eth O-ver sin, and death, and hell.
 He from death to life hath bro't me, Son of God with Him to be.

CHORUS

Sing, oh, sing . . . of my Re-deem-er, Sing, oh, sing of my Re-deem-er,
 With His blood . . . He pur-chased me, With His blood He pur-chased me,
 On the cross . . . He sealed my par-don, On the cross He sealed my par-don,

My Redeemer

Paid the debt, and made me free, and made me free,
 and made me free, and made me free.

How Firm A Foundation

GEORGE KEITH

1. How firm a foun-da-tion, ye saints of the Lord, Is laid for your
 2. "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis-mayed, For I am thy
 3. "When thro' fier-y tri-als thy path-way shall lie, My grace, all-suf-
 4. "E'en down to old age, all My peo-ple shall prove My sov-'reign, e-
 5. "The soul that on Je-sus still leans for re- pose, I will not, I

faith in His ex-cel-lent Word! What more can He say, than to
 God, I will still give thee aid; I'll strength-en thee, help thee, and
 fi-cient, shall be thy sup-ply; The flame shall not hurt thee, I
 ter-nal, un-change-a-ble love; And when hoar-y hairs shall their
 will not de-sert to his foes; That soul, though all hell should en-

you He hath said,—To you who for ref-uge to Je-sus have fled?
 cause thee to stand, Up-held by My gra-cious, om-ni-p-o-tent hand.
 on-ly de-sign Thy dress to con-sume, and thy gold to re-fine.
 tem-plies a-dorn, Like lambs they shall still in My bos-om be borne,
 deav-or to shake, I'll nev-er, no nev-er, no nev-er for-sake!"