



CROSSGATE CHURCH

Growing True Disciples

ORDER OF WORSHIP

September 8, 2024

WELCOME—ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 113:1-4*

Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD! Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and forevermore! From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the LORD is to be praised! The LORD is high above all nations, and His glory above the heavens!

WORSHIP IN SONG *Blessed Be Your Name*

CONFESSION OF SIN

God of all truth and grace, forgive our doubting, questioning hearts. Like the scribes who witnessed Jesus's miracles of healing and heard His proclamation, yet spurned belief, we too have seen wonders, yet have hardened our hearts. We confess the many times that our pessimism has caused others to doubt themselves and your Spirit, the times that our criticism has wounded others, the times that our dejection has dampened the enthusiasm of those inspired by Your Word and work. O God, forgive us and in Your mercy renew us, that with open hearts we may believe fully on Your Son and point others to Your salvation in Him. In Jesus' name, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *Matthew 11:28-29*

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.

WORSHIP IN SONG *Come, Holy Spirit, Come*

WORSHIP IN SONG *I Belong To Jesus*

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM *Juliana Lael Brown*

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

WORSHIP IN SONG *He Will Hold Me Fast*

[Kids from Preschool to Kindergarten (ages 3-6) may be dismissed to Kids' Worship. Teachers are waiting to lead them out of the sanctuary.]

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Scripture: *John 3:22-36*

Sermon: *"Surpassing Messiah" - David Story*

WORSHIP IN SONG *Crown Him With Many Crowns*

BENEDICTION

We do not take up an offering at Crossgate! But we do encourage all of our members and regular attenders to give as an expression of your love and devotion to the Lord. You may mail your gifts to Crossgate Church, P.O. Box 365, Seneca, SC 29679. You may give online by going to www.crossgatepca.org/give. You can also give from your smart phone by texting 864-207-7026 and typing in the word "give". "God loves a cheerful giver." (Cf... 2 Corinthians 9:7)

Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful,
where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place,
though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name

*Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,
"Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name."*

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me,
when the world's all as it should be, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering,
though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name.

You give and take away, You give and take away.
My heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be Your name."

Come, Holy Spirit, Come

Come, Holy Spirit, come; let Thy bright beams arise;
dispel the darkness from our minds, and open all our eyes.

Convince us of our sin, then lead to Jesus' blood;
and to our wondering view reveal the secret love of God.

'Tis thine to cleanse the heart, to sanctify the soul,
to pour fresh life in every part and new create the whole.

Dwell, therefore, in our hearts; our minds from bondage free;
then we shall know, and praise, and love the Father, Son, and Thee.

I Belong To Jesus

I belong to Jesus, I am not my own;
all I have and all I am shall be His alone.

I belong to Jesus, He is Lord and King,
reigning in my inmost heart over everything.

I belong to Jesus, blessed, blessed thought!
With His own most precious blood has my soul been bought.

I belong to Jesus, He has died for me;
I am His and He is mine through eternity.

I belong to Jesus, He will keep my soul
when the deathly waters dark round about me roll.

I belong to Jesus, and ere long I'll stand
with my precious Savior there in the glory land.

He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
when the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

*He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
for my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.*

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;
precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; His Promises shall last;
bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast.
Till our faith is turned to sight. When He comes at last!

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,
and hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of life! Who triumphed o'er the grave;
and rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save.
His glories now we sing, Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of love! Behold His hands and side-
rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends each burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time;
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime!
All hail, Redeemer, hail! for Thou hast died for me:
Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.