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**AS WE GATHER**

The Lord rebukes and removes “the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep” (Jeremiah 23:1). He gathers the flock, brings them back to the fold, and sets “shepherds over them who will care for them” (Jeremiah 23:3–4). He raises up the Son of David, the great Good Shepherd, to “reign as king and deal wisely” (Jeremiah 23:5). He is “our righteousness,” in whom we “dwell securely” (Jeremiah 23:6). He has compassion on all of us, who were “like sheep without a shepherd” (Mark 6:34). Not only does He teach us many things, but taking the bread, He blesses and breaks and gives it to the disciples “to set before the people” (Mark 6:41). He abundantly provides for His Church on earth, so that everyone is fed and fully satisfied in body and soul. He preaches peace “to you who were far off,” and “by the blood of Christ,” He brings you near (Ephesians 2:13, 17). Though you were “separated from Christ” by your sin, “having no hope and without God in the world” (Ephesians 2:12), now “you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God” (Ephesians 2:19).

**OPENING PRAISE SONG:** “Joy of the Lord” Ed Cash, Rend Collective

**Verse 1**

Though the tears may fall my song will rise My song will rise to You  
Though my heart may fail my song will rise My song will rise to You  
While there’s breath in my lungs I will praise You Lord

**Verse 2**

In the dead of night I’ll lift my eyes  
I’ll lift my eyes to You When the waters rise I’ll lift my eyes  
I’ll lift my eyes to You While there’s hope in this heart I will praise You Lord

**Chorus**

The joy of the Lord is my strength The joy of the Lord is my strength  
In the darkness I’ll dance In the shadows I’ll sing  
The joy of the Lord is my strength

**Verse 3**

When I cannot see You with my eyes Let faith arise to You  
When I cannot feel Your hand in mine Let faith arise to You  
God of mercy and love I will praise You Lord

**Verse 4**

Oh You shine with glory Lord of light I feel alive with You  
In Your presence now I come alive I am alive with You  
There is strength when I say I will praise You Lord

**Chorus**

The joy of the Lord is my strength The joy of the Lord is my strength  
In the darkness I’ll dance  
In the shadows I’ll sing The joy of the Lord is my strength  
**(Repeat Chorus)**

**Bridge**

When sorrow comes my way You are the shield around me  
Always You remain Like courage in the fight  
I hear You call my name Jesus I am coming  
Walking on the waves reaching for Your light

**Chorus**

The joy of the Lord is my strength The joy of the Lord is my strength  
In the darkness I’ll dance  
In the shadows I’ll sing The joy of the Lord is my strength  
**(Repeat Chorus)**

**WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INVOCATION**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**People: Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Pastor: Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Pastor: We come humbly before You, O Lord, recognizing that we have not always responded to Your grace in faithfulness and obedience. Often we feel we deserve more or better, forgetting and rejecting Your Word and Your works of salvation.

**People: At times, we are lured by the world's deceptions, consumed by greed, passion, and desire. We fail to be thoroughly grounded in Your Word. Forgive us, dear Lord, for rejoicing in the temporal treasures on earth instead of the eternal treasures of heaven.**

Pastor: We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

**People: Forgive my impatience and my neglect. By Your Spirit, lead me to greater faith, obedience, service, and repentance until Your call to eternal glory comes. Amen.**

Pastor: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**People: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**PRAISE SONG:** “Lord, I Need You” Matt Maher, 2013

### **Verse 1**

Lord I come, I confess Bowing here I find my rest  
Without You I fall apart You're the one that guides my heart

### **Chorus**

Lord, I need You, oh I need You Every hour I need You  
My one defense, my righteousness Oh God, how I need You

### **Verse 2**

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more Where grace is found is where You are  
And where You are Lord I am free Holiness is Christ in me

### **Chorus**

Lord, I need You, oh I need You Every hour I need You  
My one defense, my righteousness Oh God, how I need You

## **Bridge**

So teach my song to rise to You When temptation comes my way  
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You Jesus You're my hope and stay

## **Chorus**

Lord, I need You, oh I need You Every hour I need You  
My one defense, my righteousness Oh God, how I need You

## **Ending**

My one defense, my righteousness, Oh God how I need you  
Your one defense, my righteousness, Oh God how I need you

## **CHILDREN'S BIBLE READING:** Page 294

### **First Reading:** Jeremiah 23:1–6

“Woe to the shepherds who are destroying and scattering the sheep of my pasture!” declares the Lord. Therefore this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says to the shepherds who tend my people: “Because you have scattered my flock and driven them away and have not bestowed care on them, I will bestow punishment on you for the evil you have done,” declares the Lord. “I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them and will bring them back to their pasture, where they will be fruitful and increase in number. I will place shepherds over them who will tend them, and they will no longer be afraid or terrified, nor will any be missing,” declares the Lord. “The days are coming,” declares the Lord, “when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. This is the name by which he will be called: The Lord Our Righteous Savior.

Here ends the Reading.

### **Second Reading:** Ephesians 2:11–22

Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called “uncircumcised” by those who call themselves “the circumcision” (which is done in the body by human hands)—remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once

were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit. Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

Here ends the Reading.

Please rise out of respect for the words and ministry of Jesus Christ.

**The Holy Gospel:** Mark 6:30–44

The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest." So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place. But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things. By this time it was late in the day, so his disciples came to him. "This is a remote place," they said, "and it's already very late. Send the people away so that they can go to the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat." But he answered, "You give them something to eat." They said to him, "That would take more than half a year's wages! Are we to go and spend that much on bread and give it to them to eat?" "How many loaves do you have?" he asked. "Go and see." When they found out, they said, "Five—and two fish." Then Jesus directed them to have all the people sit down in groups on the green grass. So they sat down in groups of hundreds and fifties. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to

heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to his disciples to distribute to the people. He also divided the two fish among them all. They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces of bread and fish. The number of the men who had eaten was five thousand.

Here ends the Reading.

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**MESSAGE**

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**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.**

**OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT**

**OFFERING SONG:** "Give Me Jesus" Jeremy Camp

**Verse 1**

In the morning, when I rise In the morning, when I rise  
In the morning, when I rise Just give me Jesus

**Chorus**

Give me Jesus. Give me Jesus,  
You can have all this world, Just give me Jesus.

**Verse 2**

When I am alone, Oh when I am alone,  
Oh when I am alone, Just give me Jesus.

**Chorus**

Give me Jesus. Give me Jesus,  
You can have all this world, Just give me Jesus.

**Verse 3**

When I come to die, Oh when I come to die,  
Oh when I come to die, Just give me Jesus.

**End Chorus**

Give me Jesus Give me Jesus  
You can have all this world, You can have all this world,  
You can have all this world, Just give me Jesus.

**PRAYERS 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**

**CLOSING SONG:** "Lion and the Lamb" Big Daddy Weave

**Verse 1**

He's coming on the clouds  
Kings and kingdoms will bow down  
And every chain will break  
As broken hearts declare His praise  
For who can stop The Lord almighty

**Chorus**

Our God is the Lion The Lion of Judah  
He's roaring with power And fighting our battles  
And every knee will bow before Him

Our God is the Lamb The Lamb that was slain  
For the sin of the world His blood breaks the chains  
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb  
Every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb

**Verse 2**

So open up the gates Make way before the King of Kings  
Our God who comes to save Is here to set the captives free  
For who can stop the Lord almighty

**Chorus**

Our God is the Lion The Lion of Judah  
He's roaring with power And fighting our battles  
And every knee will bow before Him

Our God is the Lamb The Lamb that was slain  
For the sin of the world His blood breaks the chains  
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb  
Every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb

**Bridge**

Who can stop the Lord Almighty? Who can stop the Lord Almighty?  
Who can stop the Lord Almighty? Who can stop the Lord?

**Chorus**

Our God is the Lion The Lion of Judah  
He's roaring with power And fighting our battles  
And every knee will bow before Him

Our God is the Lamb The Lamb that was slain  
For the sin of the world His blood breaks the chains  
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb  
Every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb

**SEND OFF**

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**All: and serving Jesus Christ by serving others!**