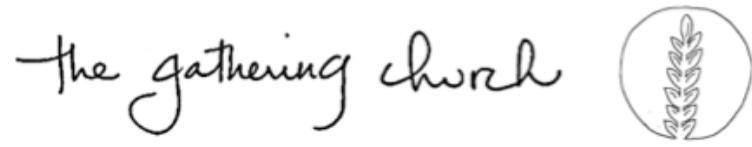


**COMMUNION**

Come and receive of the feast that Jesus offers those who follow him. During this time, we remember Jesus' sacrifice and are nourished by his Body that was broken on the cross for us. In front of the stage there is an area available for kneeling and prayer. Feel free to take some time before and after receiving to pray. For all those serving either with the kids' ministry or the band, there will be a server available in the music room immediately following the end of service.



April 22, 2012  
Psalm 139 | 1 John 1:5-2:2

**NOTHING BUT THE BLOOD OF JESUS**

**LOWRY**

What can wash away my sin?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
What can make me whole again?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Nothing can for sin atone,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
Naught of good that I have done,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

**REFRAIN**

**Oh! precious is the flow  
That makes me white as snow;  
No other fount I know,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus**

This is all my hope and peace,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
This is all my righteousness,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

**REFRAIN**

For my pardon, this I see,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
For my cleansing this my plea,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Glory! Glory! This I sing—  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus,  
All my praise for this I bring—  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

**REFRAIN**

**REFRAIN**

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**HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD**

**TOMLIN**

The splendor of a 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

Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End  
The Godhead, Three in one Father, Spirit, Son  
The Lion and the Lamb, The Lion and the Lamb

**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**

Name above all names  
You are Worthy of all praise  
and My heart will sing how great is our God

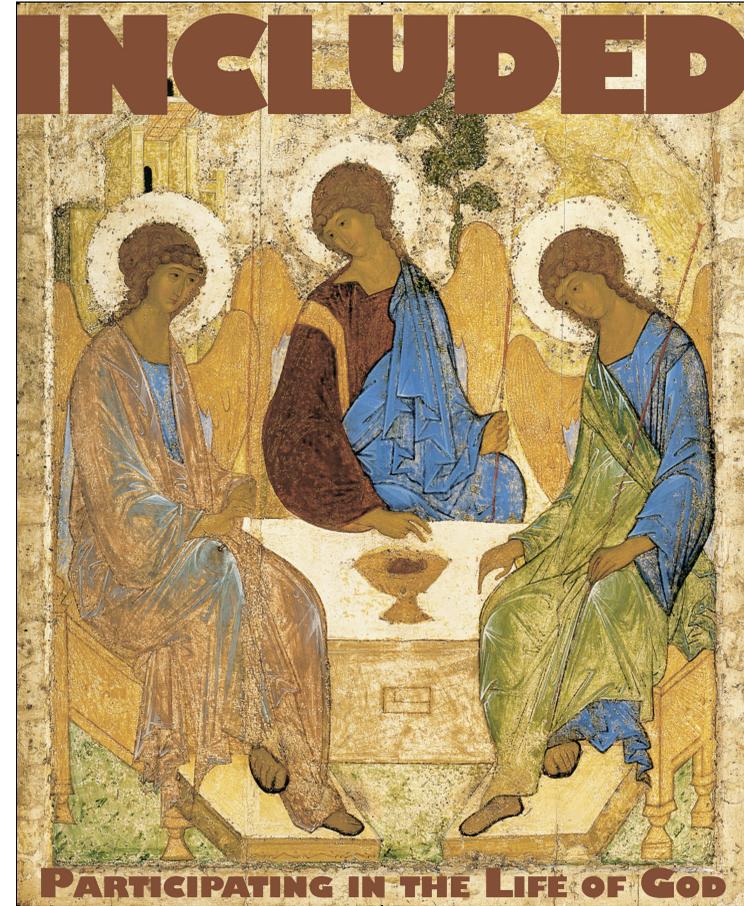
**CHORUS**

Age to age he stands, and time is in His Hands

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**PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW (DOXOLOGY)**

**THOMAS/MAINZER**



HAPPENING AT THE GATHERING CHURCH ( <a href="http://www.allgather.org/calendar">www.allgather.org/calendar</a> )		
PRESENT TO GOD	CONNECTED TO EACH OTHER	ENGAGED IN THE WORLD
On Sunday, <b>May 13</b> , we will hold a <b>Child Dedication</b> as part of our worship service. We get to celebrate the gift of the lives of these children with their parents and to accept the privilege and responsibility of loving and serving them in Christ. Let <b>Mark</b> know if you'd like to participate ( <a href="mailto:mark@allgather.org">mark@allgather.org</a> )!	Each week during this sermon series, we'll share <b>Communion</b> together. If you would like to participate by <b>baking bread</b> for our celebration, let <b>Chris</b> know ( <a href="mailto:chris@allgather.org">chris@allgather.org</a> ).	The Gathering Church is co-sponsoring an event with <b>World Relief Durham</b> called " <b>Welcoming the Stranger</b> " that will give a Biblical perspective on loving all our immigrant neighbors. It is a <b>free</b> event taking place at <b>Church of the Good Shepherd</b> in Durham on <b>April 27<sup>th</sup></b> , from <b>7-9pm</b> . For more information: <a href="http://www.wr.org/durham/welcomingthestranger">www.wr.org/durham/welcomingthestranger</a> .
Fill out a visitor's card to be included in church communications. To have an announcement included email: <a href="mailto:happenings@allgather.org">happenings@allgather.org</a> . Keep up with the Gathering Church on Twitter ( <a href="https://twitter.com/allgather">@allgather</a> ) or <a href="https://www.facebook.com/allgather">www.facebook.com/allgather</a> . Check out Music from the Gathering Church: <a href="http://music.allgather.org">music.allgather.org</a> (to stream or buy) or <a href="http://blog.allgather.org">blog.allgather.org</a> .		

**LIGHT: The Way of Honesty**

"The love of God working in me causes me to hate, with the Holy Spirit's hatred for sin, anything that is not in keeping with God's holiness. To "walk in the light" means that everything that is of the darkness actually drives me closer to the center of the Light."

-Oswald Chambers

**YOUR NAME IS HOLY**

DOERKSEN

You are the sovereign I AM, Your name is holy  
 You are the pure, spotless Lamb  
 Your name is holy

**In Your name there is mercy for sin  
 There is safety within  
 In Your holy name**

You are the Almighty One, Your name is holy  
 You are the Christ, God's own Son  
 Your name is holy

**In Your name there is strength to remain  
 To stand in spite of pain  
 In Your holy name**

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**WELCOME**

Welcome to the Gathering Church. We are a church that is growing in doing three things well: being present to God in worship, being connected to each other in community, and being engaged in the world by serving and sharing God's love. Thank you for gathering this morning to worship the Lord.

**COME YE SINNERS**

HART/SMITH

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched,  
 Weak and wounded, sick and sore;  
 Jesus, ready, stands to save you,  
 Full of pity, joined with power.  
 He is able, He is able;  
 He is willing doubt no more.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden,  
 Bruised and broken by the Fall;  
 If you tarry 'til you're better,  
 You will never come at all.  
 Not the righteous, not the righteous;  
 Sinners Jesus came to call.

Come ye needy, come, and welcome,  
 God's free bounty glorify;  
 True belief and true repentance,  
 Every grace that brings you nigh.  
 Without money, without money  
 Come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended;  
 Pleads the merit of His blood.  
 Venture on Him; venture wholly,  
 Let no other trust intrude.  
 None but Jesus, none but Jesus  
 Can do helpless sinners good.

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**BE THOU MY VISION**

FORGAILL/HULL

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart  
 Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art  
 Thou my best thought by day or by night  
 Waking or sleeping Thy presence my light

Riches I heed not nor man's empty praise  
 Thou mine inheritance now and always  
 Thou and Thou only first in my heart  
 High King of heaven my treasure Thou art

Be thou my wisdom and Thou my true word  
 I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord  
 Thou my great Father and I Thy true son  
 Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

High King of Heaven my victory won  
 May I reach Heaven's joys,  
 O bright heaven's Sun  
 Heart of my own heart whatever befall  
 Still be my vision, O Ruler of all

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**Four ways to give financially:** (1) In the black box on the back table on Sundays, (2) online through Paypal ([www.allgather.org/giving/](http://www.allgather.org/giving/)), (3) by automating a draft through your bank, or (4) by mailing a check to PO Box 16402/Chapel Hill, NC 27516.

**BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE**

BANKROFT/COOK

Before the throne of God above  
 I have a strong and perfect plea  
 A great High Priest whose name is Love  
 Who ever lives and pleads for me  
 My name is graven on His hands  
 My name is written on His heart  
 I know that while in heaven He stands  
 No tongue can bid me thence depart  
 No tongue can bid me thence depart

Because the sinless Savior died  
 My sinful soul is counted free  
 For God the Just is satisfied  
 To look on Him and pardon me  
 To look on Him and pardon me

When Satan tempts me to despair  
 And tells me of the guilt within  
 Upward I look and see Him there  
 Who made an end of all my sin

Behold Him there the Risen Lamb  
 My perfect, spotless Righteousness  
 The great unchangeable I AM  
 The King of glory and of grace  
 One with Himself, I cannot die  
 My soul is purchased by His blood  
 My life is hid with Christ on high  
 With Christ my Savior and my God  
 With Christ my Savior and my God

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**KIDS' DISMISSAL & PASSING OF THE PEACE**

As the children are dismissed to participate in Gathering Kids activities, find someone you do not know, welcome them, and exchange a sign of Christ's welcome and peace.

**SERMON NOTES**

[SOMETHING I'VE LEARNED]

[SOMETHING I CAN SHARE]

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*Our Father in heaven, we thank You  
 that You have led us into the light.*

**We thank You for sending  
 the Savior to call us from death to life.**

*We confess that we were dead in sin before  
 we heard His call, but when we heard Him,  
 like Lazarus, we arose.*

**But, O Father,  
 the grave clothes bind us still.**

*Old habits that we cannot throw off,*

**Old customs that are so much a part of our lives  
 that we are helpless to live the new life  
 that Christ calls us to live.**

*Give us strength, O Father,  
 to break the bonds;*

**Give us courage  
 to live a new life in You;**

*Give us faith to believe  
 that with Your help we cannot fail.*

**All this we ask in the name of the Savior  
 who has taught us to come to You. Amen.**

Adapted from Prayer of Confession #39 (The Worship Sourcebook, 99).