

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.

AMAZING GRACE

NEWTON

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

'Tis Grace that brought me safe thus far
And Grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me.
His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures.

T'was Grace that taught my heart to fear.
And Grace, my fears relieved.
How precious did that Grace appear
The hour I first believed.

When we've been here
Ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun.
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we've first begun.

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come;

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PRASE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW (DOXOLOGY)

THOMAS/MAINZER

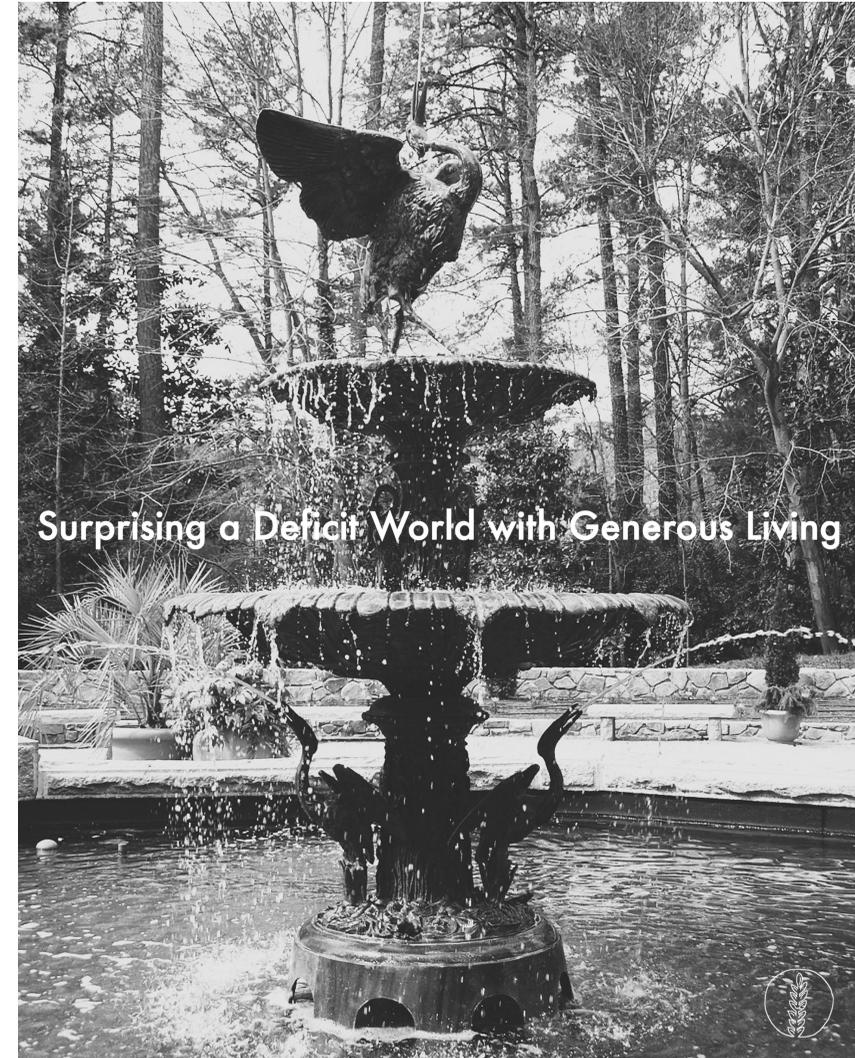
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<p>UPCOMING www.allgather.org/calendar</p>		<p>GIVING www.allgather.org/giving</p>	
<p>CHILD DEDICATION IN NOVEMBER: Next Sunday (11/18), we will hold a Child Dedication as part of our worship service. We get to celebrate the gift of the lives of these children with their parents and to accept the privilege and responsibility of loving and serving them in Christ. If you are new to the church, new to the Christian faith, or have a child new to you, you are invited to participate in this dedication. Let Chris know if you'd like to participate (chris@allgather.org)!</p> <p>OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: It is that time of year again where we let children all over the world know we are thinking of them by sending a shoebox filled with toys, hygiene supplies, socks, books, school supplies or whatever you can think of along with a check for processing for \$7. You can choose to pack a shoebox for a boy or girl: ages: 2-4, 5-9 or 10-14. Contact Crista Creedle at cCreedle@unch.unc.edu or 919-270-8741. Drop off your shoebox the next today and next Sunday (11/18).</p>	<p>CREEKSIDE THANKSGIVING: Renee Gambill (renee.gambill@gmail.com) is collecting restaurant gift cards (or cash) for Thanksgiving meals for Creekside families. If you would like to contribute cash towards a gift card (to be pooled with others'), volunteers will buy the cards.</p> <p>HURRICANE SANDY RELIEF: Libby Acuff & Courtney Graham (courtneyanngraham@gmail.com) are collecting Visa/AmEx cards (or cash) to send to Staten Island residents who were devastated by Hurricane Sandy.</p> <p>LEADERSHIP TEAM NOMINATIONS: Be sure to nominate by talking to a current member of the Leadership Team, filling out the form www.allgather.org/nominate/ online or slipping your card in the Black Box!</p> <p>DOWNLOAD 'CHRISTMAS NIGHTS' FOR FREE: To prepare for 12/15 free outdoor concert at the corner of Franklin Street and Columbia, we're giving away 'Christmas Nights' CD online at www.noisetrade.com/allgather. Be sure to tell your friends and family.</p>	<p>2012 BUDGET GOAL \$300,000 YTD GIVING (10/7) \$175,000 YTD EXPENSES \$189,000</p>	<p>WAYS TO WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING: (1) In the black box on the back table on Sundays, (2) online through Paypal (3) by automating a draft through your bank, or (4) by mailing a check to PO Box 16402/Chapel Hill, NC 27516.</p>
<p>Fill out a visitor's card to be included in church communications. To have an announcement included email: happenings@allgather.org. Keep up with the Gathering Church on Twitter (@allgather) or www.facebook.com/allgather. Check out Music from the Gathering Church: music.allgather.org (to stream or buy) or blog.allgather.org.</p>			

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November 11, 2012
Psalm 50 | 2 Corinthians 8:1-9



God is a generous giver, but we can only see and enjoy God's generosity when we love God with all of our hearts, minds, and strength. As long as we say, 'I will love you, God, but first show me your generosity,' we will remain distant from God and unable to experience what God truly wants to give us, which is life and life in abundance."

- Henri Nouwen

O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING

WESLEY/GLÄSER

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace!

My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honors of Thy name.

Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life, and health, and peace

He breaks the power of canceled sin,
He sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean,
His blood availed for me.

Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Savior come,
And leap, ye lame, for joy.

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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.

HOSANNA (PRAISE IS RISING)

BROWN/BALOCHE

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You,
We turn to You
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You,
We long for You
'Cause when we see You,
We find strength to face the day
In Your Presence all our fears are
Washed away, washed away

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You,
We turn to You
In Your Kingdom, broken lives are made new,
You make us new
'Cause when we see You,
We find strength to face the day
In Your Presence all our fears are
Washed away, washed away

CHORUS

Hosanna, hosanna
You are the God Who saves us,
Worthy of all our praises
Hosanna, hosanna
Come have Your way among us
We welcome You here, Lord Jesus

'Cause when we see You,
We find strength to face the day
In Your Presence
All our fears are washed away

CHORUS

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EVERLASTING GOD

BROWN/RILEY

Strength will rise as
We wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord

Our God, You reign forever
Our hope, our Strong Deliverer
You are the Everlasting God
The Everlasting God
You do not faint, You won't grow weary

Our God, You reign forever
Our hope, our Strong Deliverer
You are the Everlasting God
The Everlasting God
You do not faint,
You won't grow weary

You're the defender of the weak
You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles

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HOW GREAT THOU ART

BOBERG/TRADITIONAL

O Lord my God,
When I in awesome wonder,
Consider all the worlds
Thy Hands have made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout
The universe displayed.

And when I think, that God,
His Son not sparing;
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the Cross,
My burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

Then sings my soul,
My Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
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My Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

When Christ shall come,
With shout of acclamation,
And take me home,
What joy shall fill my heart.
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration,
And then proclaim:
"My God, how great Thou art!"

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HERE I AM TO WORSHIP

HUGHES

Light of the world you stepped down into darkness,
Open my eyes, Let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore You;
Hope of a life spent with You.

Humbly You came
To the earth you created
All for love's sake became poor.

CHORUS

And here I am to worship,
Here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that You're my God;
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
Altogether wonderful to me.

*I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that Cross,
I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that Cross,
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that Cross,
No, I'll never know how much it cost.
To see my sin upon that Cross*

King of all days, oh so highly exalted,
Glorious in heaven above;

CHORUS

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