

MAYFLOWER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
**A SERVICE OF MORNING WORSHIP**

Sunday, June 25, 2023, 10:30 a.m.

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

***Welcome and Greeting***

***Prelude:*** "In the Garden" (C. Austin Miles, arr. Gary Lanier)

***Opening Sentences***

***Hymn 169:*** "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

***Opening Prayer***

***Special Music:*** "The Prayer" (Carole Bayer Sager and David Foster)

***New Testament Reading:*** Romans 6:1b-11

What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

***Giving and Receiving of Our Gifts***

*Doxology*

***Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer*** (using debts and debtors)

***Gospel Reading:*** Matthew 10:24-39

'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! 'So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. 'Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. 'Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

***Sermon: "NEW LIFE IN LOVE"***

***Hymn 27:*** "How Great Thou Art"

***Benediction***

***Benediction Response 579 (v. 1):*** "Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing"

Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace. Let us each, thy love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace: Oh, refresh us, oh, refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.

***Greet One Another***

Participants: Rev. Linda Farmer-Lewis, Barb Fuller, Marsha Hacker, Justin Stephens, Jamie Keller, Lorraine Finison

# In the Cross of Christ I Glory

169

John Bowring, 1792-1872

Ithamar Conkey, 1815-1867

1. In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, Tow'r - ing  
2. When the woes of life o'er - take me, Hopes de -  
3. When the sun of bliss is beam - ing, Light and  
4. Bane and bless - ing, pain and pleas - ure, By the

o'er the wrecks of time; All the light of sa - cred  
ceive, and fears an - noy, Nev - er shall the cross for -  
love up - on my way, From the cross the ra - diance  
cross are sanc - ti - fied; Peace is there that knows no

sto - ry Gath - ers round its head sub - lime.  
sake me: Lo! it glows with peace and joy.  
stream - ing Adds more lus - ter to the day.  
meas - ure, Joys that through all time a - bide. A - men.

RATHBUN  
8.7.8.7

*Passion and Death*

**THE SON**

How Great Thou Art

Stuart K. Hine, 1899-1989

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1. O Lord my God, when I in awe - some  
 2. When through the woods and for - est glades I  
 3. And when I think that God, His Son not  
 4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla -

won - der Con - sid - er all the worlds Thy hands have  
 wan - der And hear the birds sing sweet - ly in the  
 spar - ing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it  
 ma - tion And take me home, what joy shall fill my

made, I see the stars, I hear the roll - ing  
 trees, When I look down from loft - y moun - tain  
 in That on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly  
 heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -

thun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the un - i - verse dis - played!  
 gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze.  
 bear - ing, He bled and died to take a - way my sin!  
 ra - tion And there pro - claim, my God, how great Thou art!

HOW GREAT THOU ART

11.10.11.10 with Refrain

# THE TRIUNE GOD

Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to Thee; How great Thou  
art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to  
Thee; How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

The musical score consists of three systems of two staves each (treble and bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is primarily in the treble clef, with a supporting bass line in the bass clef. The lyrics are placed between the staves of each system.

Our gracious heavenly Father,  
You are great.  
You are greater than all our wants.  
Nothing we desire compares with You.

You have been great in Your acts of creation, bringing the world into being.  
You have been great in Your workings through the people of Israel,  
establishing the old covenants and delivering Your people from bondage.  
You have been great in sending us Your Son Jesus Christ,  
who lived a sinless life,  
died a painful death,  
rose from the grave,  
abides with the Church at present,  
and will return again someday.

Your greatness is visible all around us in our lives,  
in the prayers You answer,  
and in the beauty of the created world we see.

We praise You and honor You,  
praying in the name of Jesus Christ,  
the One we follow in this life, who leads us to life eternal.

Amen.