

Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in his hands?
Who has numbered ev'ry grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at his voice.
All creation rises to rejoice.

Chorus

*Behold our God, seated on his throne.
Come, let us adore him!
Behold our King, nothing can compare.
Come, let us adore him!*

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of his words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds?

Chorus

Who has felt the nails upon his hands,
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal humbled to the grave,
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign!

Chorus

Bridge (x 3)

Men: You will reign forever.
Women: Let your glory fill the earth.
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Chorus

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

Matthew 11:28-30

PASTOR: "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."

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ALL: Most merciful God, whose Son Jesus Christ was tempted in every way, yet without sin, we confess before you our own sinfulness; we have hungered after that which does not satisfy; we have compromised with evil; we have doubted your power to protect us. Forgive us for our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness. Restore us in such trust and love that we may walk in your ways and delight in doing your will. We ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

In these moments,

*we individually come to God in prayer,
silently confessing personal sins so that we may
take hold of the forgiveness won for us by Christ, our Redeemer.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PEACE WITH GOD *Heb. 2:17-18*

PASTOR: Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

* SONG OF RESPONSE

Ensemble & Congregation

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

¹
Come behold the wondrous myst'ry,
in the dawning of the King.
He, the theme of heaven's praises,
robed in frail humanity.
In our longing, in our darkness,
now the light of life has come!
Look to Christ, who condescended,
took on flesh to ransom us.

²
Come behold the wondrous myst'ry:
he the perfect Son of Man,
in his living, in his suffering,
never trace nor stain of sin.
See the true and better Adam,
come to save the hell-bound man,
Christ the great and sure fulfillment
of the law; in him we stand.

³
Come behold the wondrous myst'ry:
Christ the Lord upon the tree.
In the stead of ruined sinners
hangs the Lamb in victory!
See the price of our redemption,
see the Father's plan unfold,
bringing many sons to glory:
grace unmeasured, love untold!

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Come behold the wondrous myst'ry:
slain by death, the God of life.
But no grave could e'er restrain him;
praise the Lord, he is alive!
What a foretaste of deliv'rance,
how unwavering our hope.
Christ in power resurrected,
as we will be when he comes.

* CONFESSION OF FAITH

*Westminster Larger Catechism
Q&A 36, 39*

PASTOR: Who is the Mediator of the covenant of grace?

ALL: The only Mediator of the covenant of grace is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, of one substance and equal with the Father, in the fullness of time became man, and so was and continues to be God and man, in two entire distinct natures, and one person, forever.

PASTOR: Why was it requisite that the Mediator should be man?

ALL: It was requisite that the Mediator should be man, that he might advance our nature, perform obedience to the law, suffer and make intercession for us in our nature, have a fellow feeling of our infirmities; that we might receive the adoption of sons, and have comfort and access with boldness unto the throne of grace.

PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Elder David Schlimme

WORSHIPPING BY GIVING

*(Sign, pass & return black pad
at the end of the aisle)*

- ◆ LIFEChange Offering *(Please bring your LIFEChange to the front after the offering plate has passed your row.)*
- ◆ Birthday Month Prayer *(Elder Schlimme will be available in the front to pray with those who have a March birthday.)*
- ◆ Offertory *Jody Lubbers*

* PRAISING OUR GOD

Doxology (Hymn 731)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* DEDICATING OUR LIVES & GIFTS

* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn 246 (vv 1-5)

Man of Sorrows! What a Name

* SCRIPTURE READING

*Elder Wayne Bowman
Page 841 in the pew Bible*

Mark 6:1-6

(Scripture text is on the back of the worship guide)

APPLYING GOD'S WORD

Rev. David Billingslea

"The Rejection of Jesus"

* RESPONDING IN SONG

Hymn 498 (vv 1-5)

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!

* BENEDICTION

Hebrews 13:20-21

PASTOR: Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Hana Do

Ensemble music: CCLI#89171
Unless otherwise noted, all scripture quotations are from the English Standard Version of the Bible.

* Congregation Please Stand

*If you would like to know more about becoming a Christian,
the pastor is available in the narthex after the service.*

