

GATHERING

Gather in front of your computer or phone in a comfortable, quiet space. Light a candle, turn on a lamp or acknowledge the light from the sun as a symbol of Christ's presence in your worship space. Offer your attendance by posting a greeting or prayer request in the [Facebook](#) comments or fill out the [website](#) connect card.

CENTERING WORDS

Justin & Emily Young

OPENING PRAYER

Divine Goodness, Holy One, pause us for this moment, lift us up in this time, and hold us for eternity. We embrace the brokenness of our lives. As we worship today, help us begin to let go of expectations, and learn how to allow all beings the fullness of their own beauty. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

"How Great Is Our God"

CCLI #4348399

1. The splendor of the 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

2. And age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
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

ENDING

Name above all names
Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Meiner Family

LECTIO DIVINA

Song of Songs 4: 1-7 (Inclusive Bible)

Dixie Bequeaith

*[Look at you—so beautiful, my dearest!
Look at you—so beautiful!]* ^(a)
*Look at your eyes, sweet as doves
behind the veil that your hair makes,
as it cascades from your head
like a flock of young goats—
black ones, bounding down off Mount Gilead.
And your teeth are sheep:
white as the day they were born,
or newly shorn, and freshly washed,
each with its perfect mate.
Not one of them is alone—
why should we be?*



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*And, ah, the lips of that lovely mouth—
a ribbon of scarlet.
Your temples, behind that veil,
glow like the halves
of a freshly sliced pomegranate.*

*Your neck has the grace of David's Tower,
with its jewels hung round it
like the shields of a thousand warriors.
And your breasts—like the twin fawns of a gazelle,
hiding among the lilies.
All my nights, till the sun
comes chasing its shadows,
let me play in these perfumed hills,
these mountains scented with myrrh.
[You are utterly beautiful, my dearest;
there's not a single flaw in you.]^(a)*

(a) Ref: CEB

SONG OF REFLECTION

“Who You Say I Am”

CCLI # 7102401

Verse 1
Who am I that the highest King
Would welcome me
I was lost but He brought me in
Oh His love for me
Oh His love for me

His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin
Jesus died for me
Yes He died for me

Chorus 1
Who the Son sets free
Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God
Yes I am

Chorus 2
In my Father's house
There's a place for me
I'm a child of God
Yes I am

Verse 2
Free at last
He has ransomed me

Bridge
I am chosen not forsaken
I am who You say I am
You are for me not against me
I am who You say I am

SERMO DIVINA

“The Beauty of a World Without a ‘Why’”

Pastor Melody Webb

PASTORAL PRAYER

Post prayer requests in the [Facebook](#) comments or fill out the [website](#) connect card.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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,

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For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING

Make your offering [online](#) or mail checks to 1421 W. Broadway St., Polk City, IA 50226 (Attn: Finance Secretary)

WORDS OF BLESSING

SONG OF SENDING

Verse 1

Here in this worn and weary land
Where many a dream has died
Like a tree planted by the water
We never will run dry

Pre-Chorus

So living water flowing through
God we thirst for more of You
Fill our hearts and flood our souls
With one desire

Chorus

Just to know You and to make You known
We lift Your name on high
Shine like the sun make darkness run and hide
We know we were made for so much more

“Thrive”

Than ordinary lives
It's time for us to more than just survive
We were made to thrive

Verse 2

Into Your Word we're digging deep
To know our Father's heart
Into the world we're reaching out
To show them who You are

Bridge

Joy unspeakable
Faith unsinkable
Love unstoppable
Anything is possible
(REPEAT 3X)

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