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PRELUDE

Toccata on Hanson Place
(Shall We Gather at the River)
Joel Raney
Sam Parnin, Organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Libby Piotrowski and Jeff Hunter



CHORAL INTROIT

In Shady, Green Pastures (409)
Chancel Choir, Brian Ward, Director

* CALL TO WORSHIP 795, with sung response

Psalm 29

* INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER 887 (Using *sims*)

* OPENING SONG

What a Beautiful Name
Ben Fielding, Brooke Ligertwood
2016 Hillsong Music Publishing Australia (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)
Led by Anders Johnson, Robert Johnson, Jeanette Mottl,
Sam Parnin, Brian Ward, and Ryan Wendt

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you

PRAYER FOR THE JOURNEY

Paul Wargaski

READING OF THE SCRIPTURES

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 43:1-7

New Testament Reading

Acts 8:14-17

* Gospel Reading

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

CHORAL ANTHEM

Beautiful Savior (317)
arr. David Allen

MESSAGE

Libby Piotrowski

* SONG OF RESPONSE

Oceans

Joel Houston, Matt Crocker, Salomon Ligthelm

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*As we sing this song together, you are invited to come forward to the baptismal font
and dip your hand in the water, remembering your baptism and reflecting on
God's grace and mercy, which are poured out on you.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Invitation to Generosity

The Trustees will come around at this time to receive physical offerings.

Giving online at any time is also an option at www.npcovenant.org/give.

Offertory

He Leadeth Me (404)

arr. Lisa Hoekstra

Brian Ward, Piano

* Doxology 48

* Prayer of Dedication

* CLOSING HYMN 547

Baptized in Water

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Grand Chœur

Théodore Salomé

** Please rise, in body or in spirit.*

Prayer is offered in the south chapel after the service.

*In addition, if you have prayer requests to be shared confidentially with the pastors,
there is a prayer box located in the narthex, as well as slips of paper and a pen
in the box's drawer for your use.*

RESPONSE

Ho - ly Maj - es - ty! be - fore thee we bow to wor - ship and a -
 dore thee; our hearts thy sov - reign - ty ac - claim.

I ¹Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

II ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name;
worship the LORD in holy splendor.

RESPONSE

I ³The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over mighty waters.
⁴The voice of the LORD is powerful;
the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.
⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
⁶He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.

II ⁷The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.
⁸The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
⁹The voice of the LORD causes the oaks to whirl,
 and strips the forest bare;
and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

RESPONSE

ALL ¹⁰The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.
¹¹May the LORD give strength to his people!
May the LORD bless his people with peace!

RESPONSE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Traditional

What a Beautiful Name

Ben Fielding and Brooke Ligertwood



You were the word at the begin - ning: one with God, the Lord Most



High. Your hid-den glori - y in cre-a - tion now re - vealed in You, our



Christ. What a beau-ti-ful name it is, what a beau-ti-ful name it is the name of Je -



sus Christ, my King What a beau-ti-ful name it is, no-thing com-pares to this.



What a beau-ti-ful name it is, the name of Je - sus.



You didn't want hea-ven with-out us, so Je-sus You brought hea-ven down.



My sin was great, Your love was greater. What could se - par - ate us

24

now? What a won-der-ful name it is, what a won-der-ful name it is, the name of Je-
 What a pow-er-ful name it is, what a pow-er-ful name it is, the name of Je-

27

sus Christ, my King. What a won-der-ful name it is. No-thing com-pares to this.
 - sus Christ, my King. What a pow-er-ful name it is. No-thing com-pares to this.

30

What a won-der-ful name it is, the name of Je - sus, what a won-der-ful name it is,
 What a pow-er-ful name it is, the name of Je - sus, what a pow-er-ful name it is,

33

the name of Je - sus.
 the name of Je - sus.

37

Death could not hold You, the veil tore be-fore You. You si-lenced the boast of sin and grave.
 You have no ri - val. You have no e - qual. Now and for - e - ver, God You reign.

41

The hea-vens are roar - ing, the praise of Your glo - ry, for You are raised to life a - gain.
 Yours is the King - dom. Yours is the glo - ry. Yours is the name a - bove all names.

45 *D.S. al Coda*

What a pow-er-ful name it is, the name of Je - sus.

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)

Matt Crocker, Joel Houston, and Salomon Ligthelm



You call me out up-on the wa-ters, the great un- known where feet may
Your grace a - bounds in deep-est wa-ters, Your sov-'reign hand will be my



fail. And there I find You in the mys - t'ry, in o - ceans
guide. Where feet may fail and fear sur - rounds me, You've nev - er



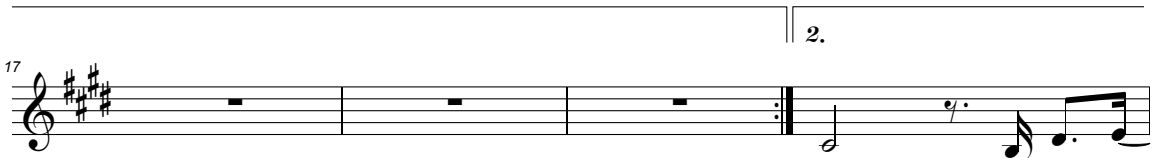
deep, my faith will stand. And I will call up-on Your
failed and You won't start now.



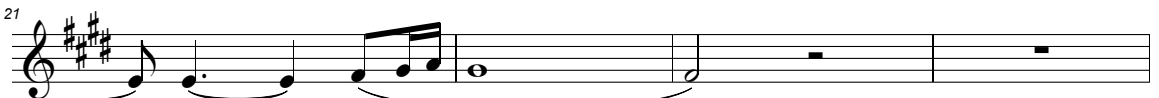
name and keep my eyes a-bove the waves. When o - ceans



rise, my soul will rest in Your em - brace for I am Yours and You are mine.



Yours and You are




mine. Oh.

25  Spir - it lead me where my trust is with - out bor - ders, let me walk


27  up - on the wa - ters where - ev - er You would call me.

29  Take me deep - er than my feet could ev - er wan - der and my faith

31  will be made strong - er in the pres - ence of my Sav - iour

33  and I will call up-on Your name and keep my eyes a-bove the

36  waves. My soul will rest in Your em - brace. I am

39  Yours and You are mine.

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow 48

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures

The first system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. It contains a series of chords and single notes. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature, providing a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

here be - low; praise him a - bove ye heav'n - ly host;

The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment. The upper staff features a mix of chords and moving lines. The lower staff provides a steady harmonic support with chords and single notes.

praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

The third system concludes the piece. The upper staff ends with a final cadence, and the lower staff provides a final harmonic accompaniment. The music ends with a double bar line.

Baptized in Water

547

In unison

1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
 2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
 3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the

blood of Christ, our King; heirs of sal - va - tion,
 tomb with Christ, our King; one with his ris - ing,
 sign of Christ, our King; born of one Fa - ther,

trust - ing his prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.
 freed and for - giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.
 we are his chil - dren, joy - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.

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 BUNESSAN

An alternate harmonization can be found at 93.

Welcome to North Park Covenant Church online!

We're glad you're here.

For your prayers this week:

- **our neighborhood**, specifically the east side of the 5200 block of N Sawyer and north side of the 3200 block of W Foster
- **the Boyd family**, mourning the passing of Jon's father, Bill, on January 4
- **the Hunt family**, mourning the passing of Francis' sister, Barbara, on January 4
- **Sally Engebretson**, recuperating after undergoing successful knee replacement surgery last Wednesday
- **Robert Johnson**, anticipating a back procedure tomorrow, followed by four to six weeks of recovery
- **Eileen Thorpe**, home again after a brief hospitalization for RSV
- **Sandy Edstrom**, struggling with a broken foot in addition to the pain of sciatica
- **Diane Haglund**, anticipating undergoing radiation from December 30 through January 27
- **Sharon Johnson**, Anders Johnson's mom, recuperating after a fall in which she broke her pelvis
- **Kevin Wendt**, Ryan's dad, undergoing chemotherapy treatments and processing a diagnosis of congestive heart failure
- Marti Hindaileh's godson, **Brandon Baglayan**, undergoing chemotherapy, which has been difficult
- Rosemary Slaughter's cousin, **Joanie Mykesell**, anticipating having a pacemaker inserted once her health allows it
- **Pia Restrepo and family**, as her brother Manolo battles cancer



Welcome to North Park Covenant Church! If you're new here today, we invite you to scan the QR code to learn more about us and, perhaps, get a little more connected.

Childcare is available in the toddler room (lower level, off the hallway south of the parlors) for the full duration of the worship service for any wee ones ages 0 through 5 needing a place to wiggle and play. We always happily welcome children in the service but recognize that sometimes parents need a break so they can focus on worship.

Vida Plena, a Spanish-speaking Covenant Church plant that meets in our sanctuary, invites you to worship every Sunday at 1:30 pm. For more information, contact Pastor Dany Flores at 872-357-9080.

Staff Away: Pastor Libby, Pastor, Jeff, and Jeanette will all be out of the office from January 18-24, as they attend the NextGen and Midwinter conferences of the ECC in Denver, Colorado. They will be reachable by phone if any needs arise, and help can be coordinated if necessary.

Join Us for a Town Hall: On Sunday, January 19, following worship, there will be a town hall meeting in the parlors for the discussion of the 2025 budget. The budget will be available for review at that time. In addition, the list of suggestions received for the Building with Faithfulness tithe will also be available. No votes will be taken at this meeting. This is an opportunity to ask questions and gain information prior to the first half of the Congregational Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 26.

It's Annual Meeting Time! On Sunday, January 26, immediately following church, there will be a light lunch served followed by the first half of the Congregational Annual Meeting. Items on the agenda include annual reports from boards, church chair, pastors, conference, and denomination; approval of the 2025 Budget; Building with Faithfulness tithe options' preliminary first vote; vote on the by-law changes presented at the November congregational meeting; and the presentation of proposed by-law changes to be voted on at the second half of the annual meeting to be held in April. As a reminder, all are invited to attend this meeting, but only members are allowed to vote.

The Coffeehouse Returns! It's time to get your acts together! All are invited to join us on Saturday, February 22, at 6:30 pm for this all-church talent show. Can you sing, dance, play an instrument, tell funny jokes, or recite poetry? Reach out to emcee [Joel Piotrowski](#), and he'll add you to the program.

**Lectionary texts for
Sunday, January 19:**

Isaiah 62:1-5
Psalm 36:5-10
1 Corinthians 12:1-11
John 2:1-11

This is the last week to claim your items from the Lost & Found! If you think you may have misplaced something here at the church, please feel free to reach out to Ann-Marie to ask if that item is in our lost and found. Anything not claimed by Wednesday, January 15, will be donated or tossed.

Volunteers are needed for childcare and hospitality! If you're able to help out in the toddler room or by serving refreshments after Sunday worship, please [sign up for a Sunday or two here](#).

There is money to help kids go to camp! Registration for summer camps at Covenant Point and Covenant Harbor is underway! If you need financial assistance or if your child has a friend who would like to go to camp and needs financial help, please reach out to Libby, Jeff, or Jeanette. Scholarship monies are available!

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The Church Calendar This Week

The calendar is available online at www.npcovenant.org/calendar and is updated as changes occur.

Monday, January 13

- 9:15 am Women's Bible Study (Hybrid/Large Conference Room)
- 10:30 am Staff Meeting (Staff Conference Room)
- 4 pm Tutoring (Parlors)
- 6:30 pm Geezerball (Gym)
- 7:30 pm Centering Prayer (Staff Conference Room)

Tuesday, January 14

- 8 am Men's Bible Study (Hybrid/Large Conference Room)
- 4:30 pm Uniting Voices Chicago Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 5 pm Board of Community Concern Meeting (via Zoom)
- 5:30 pm Uniting Voices Chicago Movement Rehearsal (Gym)
- 6 pm Cudahy Basketball (Gym)
- 7 pm Board of Deacons Meeting (Hybrid/Staff Conference Room)
Board of Trustees Meeting (Large Conference Room)
- 7:30 pm Board of Christian Formation Meeting (Hybrid/Parlors)

Wednesday, January 15

- 10 am Women's Bible Study (Edstrom Home)
- 6 pm Gather Dinner (Parlors)
- 6:30 pm Chancel Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Side Balcony, Sanctuary)
Contemporary Music Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 7 pm Knit or Not (Parlors)
Middle-school Youth Group (Youth Room near the Gym)
- 7:15 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, January 16

- 8 am East Wall Project Progress Meeting (Large Conference Room)
- 4:30 pm Uniting Voices Chicago Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 7 pm Sanctuary Tech Planning Meeting (Staff Conference Room/Sanctuary)

Friday, January 17

- 1 pm Prayer Gathering (South Chapel Prayer Corner)

Saturday, January 18

- 8 am Geezerball (Gym)
- 10 am Cudahy Basketball (Gym)

Sunday, January 19

9 am Confirmation (Staff Conference Room)
9:15 am Sunday School for Preschool - 6th Grade (Junior Chapel)
Adult Formation (Parlors)
Bible Journaling (Art Room)
10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)
12 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal (Junior Chapel)
12 pm Congregational Town Hall Meeting (Parlors)
1:30 pm Vida Plena Covenant Church Worship Service (Sanctuary)
7 pm High-school Youth Group (The Attic Youth Room)
AA Meeting (Parlors)

