

# **CRESTVIEW WORSHIP NOTES**

**Sunday May 13, 2018 10:00am  
MORNING WORSHIP**

**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC** Today the Crestview Ringers end their 2017-2018 season by ringing O For a Thousand Tongues by Charles Wesley. He had returned to England from a trip to America to help evangelize the colonists and the Indians. Charles was disillusioned with the trip. He was meeting with a group of Moravians and in this meeting had "a spiritual heart-warming experience", realizing that even though he had been so zealous in religious activity, it was only now he personally experienced God's forgiveness or real joy. From this time on his ministry displayed a new dimension of spiritual power. This hymn was inspired by a chance remark of a Moravian leader Peter Bohler, who said: Brother Wesley, the Lord has done so much for my life---had I a thousand tongues, I would praise Christ Jesus with every one of them!

*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 thro' all the earth abroad the honors of your name.*

**PREPARATION MUSIC** From Psalm 118:24 we read: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. The Joyful Noise join in this joy through singing and playing the Orff Instruments, Handchimes, piano and drums, and offer a tribute to "Mothers" as well!

*This is the day the Lord has made, Let us rejoice and celebrate. Lift up a song! Sing loud and strong! This is the day the Lord has made. Sing and celebrate. Praise and rejoice. Sing and celebrate, make a joyful noise. Sing and celebrate, raise up your voice, for this is the day the Lord has made. (repeat) Lord of life and love, we celebrate this day, mothers everywhere and how they guide our way. You give them hearts of tenderness that love us all day long and arms to hold us when we're sad that show us they are strong...you give them hands of gentleness that care for all our needs and words that teach us to be kind and live in honesty...you give them smiles of happiness that make us happy, too, and faith that helps us ev'ry day to serve and honor you...Lord of life and love, we celebrate this day, mothers everywhere and how they guide our way.*

**CALL TO WORSHIP** From 1 Corinthians 12:27 we read: *All of you together are Christ's body, and each of you is a part of it.* As our call to worship reads: ***Father, Son, Spirit, we wait for your power, your word, your instruction. As we worship you today, fill us with your life, your love and your power.***

Leader: Lord Jesus, you are our living head. Teach us to be your body here on earth---your hands, your feet, your eyes, and your compassionate heart.

**People: Lord, send the impulses of your love into the sinews of this church.**

Leader: May your will and thoughts direct us. Let your hands, through our hands, supply food for our neighbor's hunger. Let them hear your voice as we visit and talk with them. Let children come to us and sit in our laps, as they sat in yours.

**People: Without you as our head, Lord, we are lifeless. Father, Son, Spirit, we wait for your power, your word, your instruction. As we worship you today, fill us with your life, your love and your power.**

**SONG** Our sermon series on "Spirit Life" continues. The Holy Spirit is the only "real" worship leader. The Holy Spirit is our teacher (John 14:26) and our transformer as it says in 2 Corinthians 3:18—We are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord. He allows us to live in God's power by transforming us from the inside out.

**Verse 1**

**A thousand times I've failed Still Your mercy remains  
And should I stumble again I'm caught in Your grace**

**Pre-Chorus**

**Everlasting Your light will shine when all else fades  
Never ending Your glory goes beyond all fame**

**Verse 2**

**Your will above all else my purpose remains  
The art of losing myself in bringing You praise**

**(Pre-Chorus)**

**Chorus**

**In my heart and my soul Lord I give You control**

**Consume me from the inside out Lord  
Let justice and praise become my embrace  
to love you from the inside out**

**Chorus 2**

**Everlasting Your light will shine when all else fades  
Never ending Your glory goes beyond all fame  
And the cry of my heart is to bring You praise  
From the inside out Lord my soul cries out**

**APOSTLES' CREED** The corporate recitation of an historic statement of faith is at once: a fitting response to the Word of God proclaimed, an expression of the unity in the church across time and space, a witness to our individual participation in something greater than ourselves, a summary of the whole gospel, a recollection of our baptism and of the faith into which we have been baptized, an expression of the common faith of the church, whose unity we affirm at Holy Communion. Today, for the first time, our confirmands will join with members of Crestview in sharing this historical confession of faith as new members.

**I believe in God the Father Almighty; maker of heaven and  
earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord;  
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried;  
He descended into hell;  
The third day he rose from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the  
Father Almighty;  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
The communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
The resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**CONFESSION** Matthew 28:18-20 *Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of*

*the age.*" When we try to live life in our own power, failing to recognize Jesus' authority, we have the opportunity to approach Jesus and confess our sin.

Leader: Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from death to life and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the ways of the world and failed to give him glory.

**People: Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** In 1 John 2:2 we read: *He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.* When feeling guilty from sin, realize you have the best defense attorney in the universe to plead your case. Jesus Christ, your advocate, is the Judge's Son. He has already suffered your penalty in your place. You can't be tried again for a case that is no longer on the docket. United with Jesus, you are as safe as he is. Don't be afraid to ask him to please your case-he has already won it!

Leader: Hear the good news of the gospel: If anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

**People: In Christ by God's grace, we are saved. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!**

**SCRIPTURE-SERMON.** Read I Corinthians 12:1-13. The special abilities given to each person by the Holy Spirit are called spiritual gifts. They enable us to minister to the needs of the body of believers. There are many gifts, people have different gifts, and one gift is not superior to another. They all come from the Holy Spirit, and their purpose is to build up Christ's body, the church.

**ANTHEM.** "Sing forth the honor of His name, make His praise glorious." --Psalm 66:2. Here is an entry from the writing of Charles Spurgeon, the noted English Baptist Preacher, which will help us think about worship and the message of "My Eternal King".

*It is not left to our own option whether we shall praise God or not. Praise is God's most righteous due, and every Christian, as the recipient of His grace, is bound to praise God from day to day. It is true we have no authoritative rubric for daily praise; we have no commandment prescribing certain hours of song and thanksgiving: but the law written upon the heart teaches us that it is right to praise God; and the unwritten mandate comes to us with as much force as if it had been recorded on the tables of stone, or handed to us from the top of thundering Sinai. Yes, it is the Christian's duty to praise God. It is not only a pleasurable exercise, but it is the absolute obligation of his life. Think not ye who are always mourning, that ye are guiltless in this respect, or imagine that ye can discharge your duty to your God without songs of praise. You are bound by the bonds of His love to bless His name so long as you live, and His praise should continually be in your mouth, for you are blessed, in order that you may bless Him; "this people have I formed for myself, they shall show forth my praise"; and if you do not praise God, you are not bringing forth the fruit which He, as the Divine Husbandman, has a right to expect at your hands. Let not your harp then hang upon the willows, but take it down, and strive, with a grateful heart, to bring forth its loudest music. Arise and chant His praise. With every morning's dawn, lift up your notes of thanksgiving, and let every setting sun be followed with your song. Girdle the earth with your praises; surround it with an atmosphere of melody, and God Himself will hearken from heaven and accept your music.*

*"E'en so I love Thee, and will love, And in Thy praise will sing, Because Thou art my loving God, And my redeeming King."*

*Here's the anthem text:*

*"My God, I love thee; not because I hope for heav'n thereby, nor yet because who love thee not must die eternally. Thou, O my Jesus, thou didst me upon the cross embrace; for me didst bear the nails, the nails and spear, and manifold disgrace. Why, then why, O blessed Jesus Christ, should I not love thee well? Not for the hope of winning heav'n, or of escaping hell; not with*

*the hope of gaining aught, not seeking a reward; but as thyself hast loved me, O ever-loving Lord! E'en so I love thee, and will love, and in Thy praise will sing; solely because thou art my God, and my Eternal King."*

**FINAL SONG** Here's a prayer to take with you: *Holy Spirit, you are worthy to be worshiped along with the Father and the Son. Spirit of Truth, you speak throughout the Scripture and help us to grasp its truth. Indeed, you teach us everything we need to know. You bear witness to the Son, whom you glorify in all your works. You are the Counselor whom the Father has sent in the name of Jesus to dwell in us. You breathe upon us the very life of God. O Spirit of truth, teach us! Help us to know and to glorify the Son! Breathe on us, breath of God. We invite you to move across the earth by your sovereign hand.*

**Verse 1**

**Take our hands, move our feet, break our hearts**

**With the things that make your heart break** *(repeat vs. 1 from here)*

**With the things that make Your heart break**

**Chorus**

**Let us be Your hands, Let us be Your feet**

**Let us be the love that longs for those in need** *(repeat)*

**Verse 2**

**Spirit move, across the land, we invite You**

**To move on the earth by your sovereign hand** *(repeat vs. 2 from here)*

**Come and move on earth by Your sovereign hand**

**(Chorus x 2)**

**(Instrumental Chorus)**

**We will be Your hands, We will be Your feet**

**We will be the love that longs for those in need**

***SEE YOU SUNDAY IN WORSHIP***