



# Seventh Reformed Church

October 27, 2024

*Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine!*

2024 Motto Text: Isaiah 43:1b

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## The King's Choraliers

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Welcome!

**Seventh Reformed Church** is a covenant community of God's people that exists to glorify God by gathering, nurturing, and equipping believers according to the supreme Word of God for life in the Spirit, Christian service, and witness to Jesus Christ in Grand Rapids and throughout the world.

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# Give Thanks

## A Concert of Word and Music

5:00 p.m.

*Please note that most of the service will proceed unannounced.*

*\* The Congregation stands for these acts of worship.*

### **Prelude**

Chris Jensen

### **\* Processional**

#### **“O, For 1,000 Tongues”**

Charles Wesley, arr. John Nelson

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 through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;  
'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.  
He breaks the power of canceled sin, he sets the prisoner free;  
His blood can make the foulest clean; his blood availed for me.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ;  
Ye blind, behold your Savior come; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

### **\* Call to Worship and Prayer for Blessing**

Pastor Paul van Engelenhoven

### **The King's Choraliers**

#### **“Make a Joyful Sound”**

Psalm 100, Jerome Ramsfield

Make a joyful sound to the Lord all ye lands!  
Make a joyful sound and serve the Lord with gladness!  
Come before His presence with singing.  
It is He that hath made us and not we ourselves;  
For we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.  
Come before His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise.

## **“Lord, Build for Me a Mountain High”**

Javier Busto

A prayer based on Philippians 4:13 and Isaiah 40:28-31

Lord, build for me a mountain high, And give to me the strength to climb.  
Lord, set a task that I may fill, And let me fit it one more time.  
Lord, lay a course to near or far, And grant to me the will to run.  
Lord, guide my life your own use, And show me peace when life Is done.  
My Lord, shall meet, in glory rich, My greatest need, my ev'ry need.  
He pardons sin, He mends torn flesh; My want cannot His pow'r exceed.  
I'll climb the mount, I'll run the course; My trust ne'er fades, my hopes ne'er dim.  
The Christ, my Lord, He strengthens me,  
And I can do all things through Him.

## **“The Yearning”**

Craig Courtney

There is a yearning in hearts weighed down by ancient grief and centuries of sorrow.  
There is a yearning in hearts that in the darkness hide and in the shades of death abide,  
A yearning for tomorrow.  
There is a yearning for the promised One, the Firstborn of creation.  
There is a yearning for the Lord who visited His own, and by His death for sin atoned,  
To bring us salvation. Emmanuel, within our hearts the yearning.  
There is a yearning that fills the hearts of those who wait the day of His appearing.  
There is a yearning when all; sorrows are erased and we shall see the One who placed  
Within our hearts the yearning. Emmanuel, within our hearts the yearning.

## **“If My People”**

Jimmy Owens, arr. Keith Christopher

If My people, which are called by My Name,  
Shall humble themselves and pray;  
If My people, which are called by My Name,  
Shall seek My face and turn from their wicked ways,  
Then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin.

## **“Forever King”**

Dan Forrest

Who is God, that we should praise Him? Who is He, that we should sing?  
Who is this exalted Savior, Crown'd the everlasting King?  
Why fall at His feet in worship, Alleluias to Him bring?  
Architect of ev'ry atom, Author of each passing hour.  
Chief of all the changing seasons, Maker of each field and flow'r.  
Speaking all into existence, God of majesty and pow'r.

Morning stars, all sing together, Shout for joy, ye sons of God!  
Rocks and stones, O be not silent, Streams and rivers, Give Him laud.

Clouds that frame the dome of heaven, Sound your thunder and applaud.  
Can creation fail to praise Him? How can we refuse to sing?  
Come, fall at His feet in worship, Alleluias to Him bring!  
Reigning in eternal brightness, Crown our Christ forever King!

**Meditation:**     *Give Thanks, for His Steadfast Love Endures Forever*  
                          Psalm 136

## **Prayer for Blessing on the Word of God**

\* **Congregational Hymn, LH 5** “Let All Things Now Living”

### **The King’s Choraliers**

#### **“His Robes for Mine”**

Dan Forrest

His robes for mine, O wonderful exchange.  
Clothed in my sin, Christ suffered ‘neath God’s rage.  
Draped in His righteousness, I’m justified. In Christ I live, for in my place He died.

#### **Refrain**

I cling to Christ and marvel at the cost. Jesus forsaken, God estranged from God.  
Bought by such love, my life is not my own. My praise, my all, shall be for Christ alone.

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#### *Refrain*

His robes for mine, what cause have I for dread?  
God’s daunting law, Christ mastered in my stead.  
Faultless, I stand with righteous works not mine. Saved by my Lord’s vicarious death and life.

#### *Refrain*

His robes for mine, God’s justice is appeased.  
Jesus is crushed, and thus the Father’s pleased.  
Christ drank God’s wrath on sin, then cried, “‘Tis done!” Sin’s wage is paid, propitiation won.

#### *Refrain*

His robes for mine, such anguish none can know.  
Christ, God’s beloved, condemned as though His foe.  
He, as though I, accursed and left alone. I, as though He, embraced and welcomed home.

#### *Refrain*

## **“Steadfast”**

Martin Luther, arr. Lowell Prescott

Lord, keep us steadfast in your Word; curb those who by deceit or sword  
would seek to overthrow your Son and to destroy what he has done.

Lord Jesus Christ, your pow’r make known, for you are Lord of lords alone;  
defend your Christendom that we may sing your praise eternally.

O Comforter of priceless worth, send peace and unity on earth;  
support us in our final strife and lead us out of death to life.

## **“O Great God”**

Bob Kauflin, arr. Keith Christopher

Based on a Valley of Vision Prayer

O great God of highest heaven, occupy my lowly heart.  
Own it all and reign supreme, conquer every rebel power.  
Let no vice or sin remain that resists Your holy war.  
You have loved and purchased me; Make me Yours forevermore.

I was blinded by my sin, had no ears to hear your voice;  
Did not know Your love within, had no taste for heaven’s joys.  
Then Your Spirit gave me life, Opened up Your Word to me,  
Through the Gospel of Your Son, Gave me endless hope and peace.

Help me now to live a life that’s dependent on Your grace.  
Keep my heart and guard my soul From the evils that I face.  
You are worthy to be praised With my every thought and deed.  
O great God of highest heaven, Glorify Your Name through me.

## **“Ain’t No Rock Gonna Shout For Me”**

Lloyd Larson

Here comes the Lord riding on a donkey  
with people waving branches and callin’ Him “King.”  
Here comes the Lord riding through Jerusalem.

If the people don’t shout, the rocks will cry out!  
Rocks, keep silent! Jesus comes to set me free.  
Rocks, keep silent! I’m gonna’ shout in victory!  
Rocks, keep silent! Jesus reigns in majesty. Ain’t no rock gonna’ shout for me.

## **“How Great Thou Art”**

Stuart Hine, arr. Dan Forrest

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds Thy hands have made.  
I see the stars; I hear the rolling thunder. Thy pow’r throughout the universe displayed.  
Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to Thee, how great Thou art, how great Thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to Thee, how great Thou art, how great Thou art!  
When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,  
and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze.  
And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin.  
When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation, And take me home,  
what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, “My God, how great Thou art!”  
Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to Thee, how great Thou art, how great Thou art!  
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## **\* Parting Blessing**

### **The King’s Choraliers—Closing Song of Blessing**

#### **“Go in the Grace of God”**

by James Barnard

Go in the grace of the Lord, Walk in the way of His Word,  
Stand in the strength of His promises and believe in your heart they are true.  
Sit at the feet of the Savior, Pray in the power of the Spirit,  
Rise and run the race with patience, and go in the grace of the Lord.  
Go in hope, God’s hope. Go in peace, God’s peace.  
Go in joy, everlasting joy as you live in the fullness of His love.  
Go in the grace of the Lord.

## **Postlude**

Chris Jensen

\*\*If you would like to support the music ministry of The King’s Choraliers,  
you may place your free will offering in one of the collection plates  
located at the front and rear exits of the sanctuary. Thank you!\*\*

Preacher: Pastor Paul van Engelenhoven  
Choir Director of The King's Choraliers: Mr. Ron Rogers  
Accompanist: Mr. Chris Jensen

Elder Assignments:

Rear Sanctuary: East—Gerrit Tromp  
Center—Roy Visser  
West—Pastor Paul  
Front Sanctuary: East—Ken Ganzevoort

## **Thank you for coming!**

We invite you to fill out a visitor card found in a pew rack.  
Further information about the church is available at the Welcome Center  
and the counter by the back entrance.

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email ([7thref@7thref.org](mailto:7thref@7thref.org)), or connect through the church's Facebook page.

### **Refreshments:**

Join us for a time of fellowship and refreshments  
following this afternoon's worship service.

# Sermon Notes

Give Thanks, for His Steadfast Love Endures Forever  
Psalm 136

## Introduction: Prayers of a King

1. Give Thanks to God for His Love in Creation
2. Give Thanks to God for His Love in Salvation
3. Give Thanks to God for His Love in Protection

## Application: Give Thanks, for His Steadfast Love Endures Forever

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