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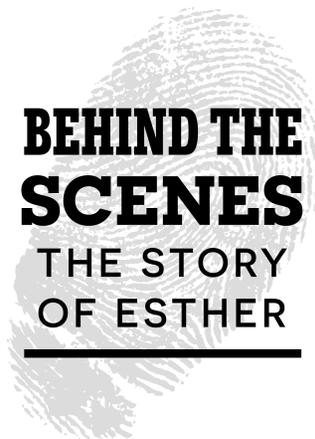


ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31ST, 2021

*East Charlotte Pres is a church that strives to be defined by the Gospel-
inviting everyone to See, Savor, and Serve Jesus as the Author & Perfecter of our faith.*

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**BEHIND THE
SCENES**
THE STORY
OF ESTHER

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

AMY SMITH

CALL TO WORSHIP

REV. TYLER DIRKS

SONG OF PRAISE

COME YE SINNERS

J. Hart | M. S. Smith

Come ye sinners poor and wretched / Weak and wounded, sick and sore
Jesus ready stands to save you / Full of pity joined with power
He is able, He is able / He is willing doubt no more

Come ye needy, come and welcome / God's free bounty glorify
True belief and true repentance / Every grace that brings you nigh
Without money, without money / Come to Jesus Christ and buy

Come ye weary heavy laden / Bruised and broken by the fall
If you tarry till you're better / You will never come at all
Not the righteous, not the righteous / Sinners Jesus came to call

Let not conscience make you linger / Nor of fitness fondly dream
All the fitness He requires / Is to feel your need of Him
This He gives you, this He gives you / 'Tis the Spirit's rising beam

Lo The Incarnate God ascended / Pleads the merit of His blood
Venture on Him venture wholly / Let no other trust intrude
None but Jesus, none but Jesus / Can do helpless sinners good

HEAR THE CALL OF THE KINGDOM

K. Getty

Hear the call of the Kingdom, / Lift your eyes to the King
Let His song rise within you, / As a fragrant offering
Of how God rich in mercy, / Came in Christ to redeem
All who trust in His unailing grace

Hear the call of the Kingdom, / To be children of light
With the mercy of heaven, / The humility of Christ
Walking justly before Him, / Loving all that is right
That the life of Christ may shine through us

chorus

*King of Heaven / we will answer the call
We will follow / bringing hope to the world
Filled with passion / filled with power to proclaim
Salvation in Jesus' name*

Hear the call of the Kingdom, / To reach out to the lost
With the Father's compassion, / In the wonder of the cross
Bringing peace and forgiveness, / And a hope yet to come
Let the nations put their trust in Him

- ANNOUNCEMENTS -

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING- Please make plans to attend the congregational meeting immediately following today's service. We will vote to install Tim Blumenstein as deacon and receive a financial update from Jon Wilkinson. If you have children in nursery, we ask that you kindly pick them up prior to the meeting.

RAISING BOYS & GIRLS - Kids are amazing, and kids are exhausting. You're so in love with your kids, and your kids are always disrupting your "peace" and quiet and comfort. You want to give your kids the best life, and at the same time you don't want to hassle with the inconvenience of offering them the benefit of healthy consequences. All that to say, you need help! We strongly encourage you to mark your calendars for the "Raising Boys & Girls" parenting conference on November 19th and 20th hosted by Hope Community Church and led by David Thomas and Sissy Goff. For more information and to register, please see the Weekly Update email.

- UPCOMING EVENTS -

NOV 3 WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
NOV 5 MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
NOV 5-7 YOUTH RETREAT
NOV 7 SUNDAY WORSHIP
NOV 10 WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
NOV 10 YOUTH GROUP
NOV 12 MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
NOV 12 TAVERN TALK IT OUT
NOV 14 SUNDAY WORSHIP
NOV 17 WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
NOV 17 YOUTH GROUP
NOV 19 MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
NOV 21 SUNDAY WORSHIP
NOV 28 SUNDAY WORSHIP
DEC 1 YOUTH GROUP
DEC 2 WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS DESSERT
DEC 3 MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

WHILE NURSERY FOR CHILDREN WALKING THROUGH AGE 3 IS AVAILABLE, WE HAVE ALSO MADE A SPACE IN THE MODULE WITH COUCHES AND A LIVESTREAM OF THE SERVICE. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO USE THIS SPACE AS NEEDED.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

REV. TYLER DIRKS

SONG OF RESPONSE

COME BEHOLD THE WONDROUS MYSTERY
M. Boswell, M. Papa, M. Bleecker

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

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

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

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 will we be when He comes
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!

BENEDICTION

REV. TYLER DIRKS

CONFESSION OF SIN

JUSTIN CLARK

Jesus, forgive my sins. Forgive the sins that I remember, and the sins I have forgotten.
Forgive my many failures in the face of temptation, and those times when I have been
stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times I have been proud of my own
achievements and those when I have failed to boast in your works. Forgive the harsh
judgments I have made of others, and the leniency I have shown myself. Forgive the lies I
have told to others, and the truths I have avoided. Forgive me the pain I have caused others
and the indulgence I have shown myself. Jesus, have mercy on me and make me whole.
Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ROMANS 8:35-39

SONG OF THANKSGIVING

HALLELUJAH WHAT A SAVIOR
P. Bliss

Man of sorrows, what a name
For the Son of God who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim
Hallelujah! What Savior

Stand unclean, no one else could
In my place condemned He stood
Now His nearness is my good
Hallelujah! What a Savior

chorus

*Hallelujah, praise to the one
Whose blood has pardoned me
Oh what a Savior, Redeemer and King
Your love has rescued me*

Lifted up was He to die
"It is finished!" was His cry
Now in Heaven lifted high
Hallelujah! What a Savior

When He comes, our Glorious King
All His ransomed home to bring
Then anew this song we'll sing
Hallelujah! What a Savior
Hallelujah! What a Savior

IF YOU ARE VISITING WITH US THIS MORNING, WE ARE SO HAPPY THAT YOU ARE HERE
AND WOULD LOVE TO GET TO KNOW YOU BETTER! PLEASE CONSIDER FILLING OUT A
VISITOR'S CARD FOUND ON THE TABLE IN THE VESTIBULE AND PLACE IT IN THE OFFERING
PLATE OR GIVE TO TYLER OR ONE OF OUR OTHER OFFICERS. THANK YOU!

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SONG OF PREPARATION

JESUS, I COME (OUT OF MY BONDAGE)

W. Sleeper | G. Thompson

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night, Jesus, I come; Jesus I come
Into Thy freedom, gladness and light, Jesus, I come to Thee
Out of my sickness into Thy health, Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth
Out of my sin and into Thyself, Jesus, I come to Thee

Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross, Jesus, I come to Thee
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm, Out of life's storms and into Thy calm
Out of distress into jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to Thee

Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come
Into Thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to Thee
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love, Out of despair into raptures above
Upward forever on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to Thee

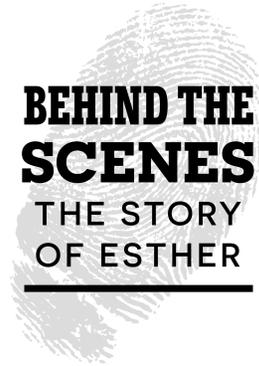
Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come
Into the joy and light of Thy home, Jesus, I come to Thee
Out of the depths of ruin untold, Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold
Ever Thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to Thee

THE DOXOLOGY

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

PASTORAL PRAYER

JUSTIN CLARK



BEHIND THE SCENES

THE STORY OF ESTHER

PREACHING OF THE WORD

MR. BAILEY WAGNER

“HOW GOD ORCHESTRATES SALVATION”

ESTHER 5:1-8

I. SALVATION IS DANGEROUS

II. SALVATION IS DELIBERATE

– REFLECTION QUESTION –

- 1) What are some ways that you prefer to be comfortable. Give some specific examples
- 2) Why do you think that you're uncomfortable with God using dangerous situations to save his people?
- 3) Why do you think that we might desire salvation to be ill-planned instead of deliberate?
- 4) In what ways do you think you treat the salvation offered in Jesus as your plan-b?
- 5) How does the dangerous and deliberate nature of salvation shape the way you think about Christ?