



January 30, 2022—9:00 am  
Sanctuary

God often brings good out of evil, and promotes the designs of his providence even by the sins of men... His infinite wisdom so overrules events, and directs the chain of them... This does not make sin the less sinful, nor sinners the less punishable, but it redounds greatly to the glory of God's wisdom.  
(Matthew Henry, Commentary on Joseph, Genesis 50:20)

Prelude (8:50)      *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*      W. Bradbury, arr. James Pethel

Community Life Update (8:55)

\*Hymn of Entrance      Hymnal, 115

<sup>1</sup> All creatures of our God and King,

Lift up your voice and with us sing, Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam,  
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

<sup>4</sup> And all ye men of tender heart,

Forgiving others, take your part, O sing ye, Alleluia!

Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on him cast your care,  
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

<sup>5</sup> Let all things their Creator bless,

And worship him in humbleness, O praise him, Alleluia!

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, three in one,  
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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\*Call to Worship      Colossians 1:15-17

Leader: Christ is the image of the invisible God,

**All: the firstborn of all creation.**

Leader: For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible,  
whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—

**All: all things were created through him and for him.**

Leader: And he is before all things,

**All: and in him all things hold together.**

\*Please stand if you are able.

\*Hymn of Praise

Creation sings the Father's song; He calls the sun to wake the dawn  
And run the course of day, till evening falls in crimson rays.  
His fingerprints on flakes of snow, His breath upon this spinning globe,  
He charts the eagle's flight; commands the newborn baby's cry.

*Hallelujah! Let all creation stand and sing, "Hallelujah!"  
Fill the earth with songs of worship; tell the wonders of creation's King.*

Creation gazed upon His face; the ageless One in time's embrace,  
Unveiled the Father's plan of reconciling God and man.  
A second Adam walked the earth, whose blameless life would break the curse;  
Whose death would set us free to live with Him eternally.

Creation longs for His return, when Christ shall reign upon the earth;  
The bitter wars that rage are birth pains of a coming age.  
When He renews the land and sky, all heav'n will sing and earth reply  
With one resplendent theme; The glory of our God and King!

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\*Prayer of Adoration

Scripture Reading

Psalm 147

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

Affirmation of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism, Question 26

Leader: How does the knowledge of God's creation and providence help us?

**All: We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well,  
and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father  
that nothing in creation will separate us from his love.**

**For all creatures are so completely in God's hand  
that without his will they can neither move nor be moved.**

Confession of Sin

Matthew 6:25, 30

"Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?"

Moment of Silent Confession

Hymn of Worship

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure,  
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.  
How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns His face away,  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders,  
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.  
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished.  
His dying breath has brought me life; I know that it is finished.

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Words of Grace and Peace

Ephesians 1:3-10

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

Hymn of Worship

I will not boast in anything, no gifts no power no wisdom.  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, his death and resurrection.  
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer.  
But this I know with all my heart; his wounds have paid my ransom.  
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Prayers of the People

Tithes and Generous Giving

*O Father, You Are Sovereign*

*K4-K5 may leave for Kids Church. One parent will need to escort the child to the Commons Area.*

*To give, visit [give.mitchellroad.org](http://give.mitchellroad.org).*

*Tithes and Offerings may also be placed in the giving box at the exits of the Sanctuary as you leave.*

**Choir only:** O Father, you are sovereign in all the worlds you made;  
Your mighty word was spoken, and light and life obeyed.  
Your voice commands the seasons and bounds the ocean's shore,  
Sets stars within their courses and stills the tempest's roar.

O Father, you are sovereign in all affairs of man;  
No pow'rs of death or darkness can thwart your perfect plan.  
All chance and change transcending, supreme in time and space,  
You hold your trusting children secure in your embrace.

*(Congregation stands to sing.)*

**All: O Father, you are sovereign, the Lord of human pain,  
Transmuting earthly sorrows to gold of heav'nly gain.  
All evil overruling, as none but Conqu'ror could,  
Your love pursues its purpose—our souls' eternal good.**

**O Father, you are sovereign! We see you dimly now,  
But soon before your triumph earth's ev'ry knee shall bow.  
With this glad hope before us, our faith springs up anew:  
Our sovereign Lord and Savior, we trust and worship you!**

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Scripture Reading

Genesis 50:15-26

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

Andy Lewis

\*Hymn of Response

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son; Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Thank you, Oh my Father, for giving us your Son, and leaving your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names; Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, O for sinners slain.

Thank you, Oh my Father, for giving us your Son, and leaving your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.

When I stand in glory, I will see His face, there I'll serve my King forever in that holy place.

Thank you, Oh my Father, for giving us your Son, and leaving your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.

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\*Benediction

\*Postlude

**Assisting in Worship Today:**

Jack Beall, Engaging the World Pastor

Andy Lewis, Lead Teaching Pastor

### Journey Through Scripture - It's Not Too Late to Start!

Today is a GREAT day to join us on our Journey Through Scripture. Today we begin the book of Exodus. If you have 15 minutes today, go to Youtube and search "Bible Project Genesis". You will see two 7 minute videos on the book of Genesis! These two videos will catch you up to where we are on our journey. (There is also one on the book of Job, which is the other book we have read.) To find out more about the reading plan we are doing, visit [mitchellroad.org/jts](http://mitchellroad.org/jts) or email [info@mitchellroad.org](mailto:info@mitchellroad.org) with questions. Life is not perfect, don't let a slow start or a late start keep you from the encouragement of taking this journey together. Jump in where we are!

March 11-12 - Mitchell Road Women's Conference  
"Craving Grace" with speaker Ruthie Delk

Friday 6:30-9:00 pm, dessert included; Saturday 9:00 am - 2:30 pm, breakfast and lunch included.

Registration (\$50) is now open at [mitchellroad.org/events](http://mitchellroad.org/events).

February Sunday Elective - 10:10 -10:50 am, Sanctuary, *What's God up to Around the World?*  
Progress of the Gospel; Our Missionaries' Ministries and Insights. Come and ask questions as our staff interviews Scott and Christine Devries (Istanbul, Turkey), Stan and Connie B (Ghent, Belgium), and Phil F (India).

February 25-27 - Global Perspective Weekend (Focus on Ghent, Belgium)