Prelude

†Call to Worship ................................................................. Mike Stokke
Assistant Pastor, Middle Adults

†You Are God Alone
You are not a God created by human hands;
You are not a God dependent on any mortal man;
You are not a God in need of anything we can give –
By Your plan, that’s just the way it is.

You are God alone from before time began,
You were on Your throne, You are God alone.
And right now, in the good times and bad, You are on Your throne,
And you are God alone.

You’re the only God whose power none can contend;
You’re the only God whose name and praise will never end;
You’re the only God who’s worthy of everything we can give –
You are God, and that’s just the way it is.

Unchangeable, unshakable, unstoppable, that’s what You are!

†Everlasting God
Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord–
We will wait upon the Lord. We will wait upon the Lord.

Our God, You reign forever — our hope, our strong deliverer!

You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God.
You do not faint, You won’t grow weary.

You’re the defender of the weak. You comfort those in need.
You lift us up on wings like eagles.

†Invocation (please raise hands)
Worship of God with the Gifts of God

Who You Say I Am

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me?
I was lost, but He brought me in – O, His love for me!
O, His love for me!

Who the Son sets free, O is free indeed,
I’m a child of God, yes, I am!

Free at last, He has ransomed me, His grace runs deep.
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me.
Yes, He died for me!

In my Father’s house, there’s a place for me,
I’m a child of God, yes, I am!

I am chosen, not forsaken, I am who You say I am!
You are for me, not against me, I am who You say I am!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Greetings and Announcements

Scripture Reading ........................................................................Philippians 2:1-11
(page 980 in the pew Bible)

The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the Word of our God will stand forever. (Isaiah 40:8)

Sermon: The High Cost of Unity ....................................................Todd Erickson
Executive Pastor

Invitation to the Table

All who have publicly professed their faith and joined a Christian church are welcomed to receive communion tonight. We encourage children not to take communion until they have joined the church but do welcome them to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing. If you are unable to come forward, please raise your hand and an elder will serve you in your seat. All communion wafers are gluten free.

Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Divine Pardon

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration
Songs for the Table

So Will I

God of creation, there at the start, before the beginning of time;
With no point of ref’rence, You spoke to the dark and fleshed out the wonder of light.
And as You speak, a hundred billion galaxies are born.
In the vapor of Your breath, the planets form.
If the stars were made to worship, so will I.
I can see Your heart in everything You’ve made –
Every burning star, a signal fire of grace.
If creation sings Your praises, so will I.

God of Your promise, You don’t speak in vain – no syllable empty or void.
For once You have spoken, all nature and science follow the sound of Your voice.
And as You speak, a hundred billion creatures catch Your breath,
And growing in pursuit of what You said.
If it all reveals Your nature, so will I.
I can see Your heart in everything You say –
Every painted sky, a canvas of Your grace.

If creation still obeys You, so will I. So will I, so will I.
If the stars were made to worship, so will I.
If the mountains bow in reverence, so will I.
If the oceans roar Your greatness, so will I.
For if everything exists to lift You high, so will I.
If the wind goes where You send it, so will I.
If the rocks cry out in silence, so will I.
If the sum of all our praises still falls shy,
Then we’ll sing again a hundred billion times!

God of salvation, You chased down my heart through all of my failure and pride.
On a hill You created, the light of the world abandoned in darkness to die.
And as You speak, a hundred billion failures disappear –
Where You lost Your life, so I could find it here.
If You left the grave behind You, so will I.
I can see Your heart in everything You’ve done.
Every part designed in a work of art called love.
If You gladly chose surrender, so will I.
I can see Your heart eight billion different ways –
Ev’ry precious one, a child You died to save.
If You gave Your life to love them, so will I.

Like You would again a hundred billion times,
But what measure could amount to Your desire.
What a Beautiful Name

You were the Word at the beginning, One with God, the Lord Most High. Your hidden glory in creation now revealed in You, our Christ—
What a beautiful Name it is, what a beautiful Name it is,
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King.
What a beautiful Name it is, nothing compares to this;
What a beautiful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.
You didn’t want heaven without us; so Jesus, You brought heaven down. My sin was great, Your love was greater. What could separate us now?
What a wonderful Name it is, what a wonderful Name it is,
The Name of Jesus Christ my King.
What a wonderful Name it is, nothing compares to this;
What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.
Death could not hold You; the veil tore before You;
You silenced the boast of sin and grave.
The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory,
For You are raised to life again.
You have no rival, You have no equal. Now and forever, God, You reign.
Yours is the Kingdom, Yours is the glory, Yours is the name above all names.
What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus Christ, my King.
What a powerful Name it is, nothing can stand against,
What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.

I Give Myself Away

I give myself away; I give myself away, so You can use me.
I give myself away; I give myself away, so You can use me.

Here I am, here I stand. Lord, my life is in Your hands.
Lord, I’m longing to see Your desires revealed in me.
Take my heart, take my life as a living sacrifice
All my dreams, all my plans – Lord, I place them in Your hands.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Benediction (please raise hands)

Postlude

Indicates standing

Elders are available following the service for prayer and anointing with oil.