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June 24, 2018
Trinity Season
Edward Mote, the writer of our first hymn, “My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less,” grew up in poverty in London, knowing nothing of God or the Bible. At the age of sixteen he was converted to Christ and later became a successful cabinet maker, a devoted church layman, and a preacher. After a time, a chapel was built for the church, largely through Edward’s efforts, and he preached there faithfully until a year before his death.

He commented, “The truths I have been preaching, I am now living upon, and they’ll do very well to die upon.” During his lifetime, Mote wrote more than 150 hymn texts, publishing our opening hymn in 1836, with the title “The Solid Rock.”

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus’ blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus’ name.
CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of everlasting love,
we confess that we have been unfaithful
to our covenant with You and with one another.
We have worshipped counterfeit gods
and have sought salvation from pseudo saviors.
We have served our own self-interest
instead of serving You and Your people.
We have not loved our neighbors as You have commanded
nor have we rightly loved ourselves.
Have mercy on us, most merciful Father!
Pardon all our sins,
known and unknown, felt and unfelt, remembered or forgotten.
Send Your purifying grace into our hearts,
that we may live in Your light
and walk according to the commandments of Jesus Christ,
our Savior and King.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON......................... Ephesians 2:8-9

For by grace you have been saved through faith.
And this is not your own doing;
it is the gift of God, not a result of works,
so that no one may boast.

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE GIFTS OF GOD

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: “Praise His Holy Name” .............. Keith Hampton

Sing till the power of the Lord come down.
Shout Hallelujah! Praise His holy name!

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me;
I once was lost, but now I’m found, was blind, but now I see.
Jesus, Jesus, how I love Thee!
Shout Hallelujah! Praise His Holy Name!

Must Jesus bear the cross alone and all the world go free?
No, there’s a cross for everyone and there’s a cross for me.
Jesus, Jesus, how I love Thee!
Shout Hallelujah! Praise His Holy Name!

Holy Jesus, let us praise His Name
Hallelujah, Lord! Praise His Holy Name!
Oh, oh, praise His Holy Name!
Praise Him!

Ashley Harris, soloist
Steve Hancock, electric bass
Stewart Plumlee, percussion

♫PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING................................. Gerry Peak

♫GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15) ......................... Brett Powell
CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

NEW CITY CATECHISM: Question 29

Ethan Knight (8:15)

As you enter the Sanctuary, please prepare your heart for worship and silence your devices.

Edward Mote, the writer of our first hymn, "My Hope Is Build On Nothing"

Lord, I will lift my eyes to the hills, knowing my help is coming from You.

On Christ the solid rock I stand;

How can we be saved?

when we repent and believe in Him.

and are still inclined to all evil,

imputes to us the perfect righteousness of Christ

but only by pure grace,

so even though we are guilty of having disobeyed God

According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder

I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Let each one take care how he builds upon it.

Preparation for Worship

Daniel Gilbert, violin

I Corinthians 3:10–11

Brandon Morrison (11:00)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (please stand)

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.

Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN OF PREPARATION: No. 693 “Blessed Assurance”

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 14:1-28

(page 923 in the pew Bible)

All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field;

The grass withers, the flower fades,

but the Word of our God will stand forever. Amen. (Isaiah 40:6b, 8)

SERMON

The Same Old Message

George Robertson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

HYMN OF COMMITMENT:

“Lift High the Name of Jesus”… Keith and Kristyn Getty, Ed Cash, Fionan de Barra

1. Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus our King. Make known the power of His grace, the beauty of His peace.

2. Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus our Lord. His name on earth can save, can raise a soul to life.

3. Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus our Light. No mem'ber how His mercy reached and we cried out to Him. He share the reason for our hope, to serve with love and grace, that opens up our eyes to see the harvest He has grown.

lift ed us to solid ground, to freedom from our sin.

all who see Him shine through us might bring the Father praise.

lab or in His fields of grace as He leads sinners home.

Refrain

Oh sing my soul and tell all He's done

'til the earth and heavens are filled with His glory.

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   A. A Powerful Message

B. Mercy for the Body

C. Divine Witness

III. Taking the Gospel to the Converted (Acts 14:21-28)
   A. An Encouraging Message

B. Mercy for the Flock

C. Divine Commendation