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October 21, 2018
Trinity Season
Edward Mote is not usually a name that comes to mind when thinking about the great Christian authors in hymnody. However, he is the author of our opening hymn, “My hope is built on nothing less;” and the testimony of his life is one that should inspire all Christians.

Mote was not brought up in a Christian home nor did he have any knowledge of God’s Word. In fact, his parents owned a pub in London and often neglected young Edward, who spent most of his Sundays playing in the streets. Of his theological upbringing, he said “So ignorant was I that I did not know there was a God.”

Eventually Mote heard the Gospel and was converted and baptized at the age of 18. After a long successful career as a cabinetmaker, Mote became a pastor of a Baptist Church in Sussex at the age of 55. It was with this background and his experience of God’s saving grace in Christ that Mote wrote the hymn we love today, “The Solid Rock.”

From a declaration of God’s saving grace in Christ in the first stanza to the application of that grace in times of trouble in the second and third stanzas, the writer brings his hymn full circle in the final stanza with the ultimate realization of God’s grace on the Day to come.

This hymn, penned by the son of neglectful pubkeepers in London, has become one of the most beloved gospel hymns in the Church today. It celebrates the basic message of the Gospel — that faith in Christ alone is the only requirement for salvation.

Let us worship our Lord together!

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**Praise Jesus, the Rock of Our Salvation**

**ORGAN PRELUDE:** “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” ............... Paul Manz

_Samuel Metzger, organ_

**CHORAL MEDITATION:** “Lead Me, Lord” ....................... G.F. Handel

Lead me, Lord, lead me evermore;
Lead me in Thy righteousness now and ever more.
Let Thy love, Thy tender mercies be upon me,
For Thy law is my delight;
Quicken me in Thy loving kindness.
Lead me, Lord, lead me evermore;
Lead me in Thy righteousness now and ever more.
Teach me, Lord, the way of Thy statues;
Teach me, Lord, all Thy commandments
For Thy law is my delight; for Thy law is my delight.
Lead me, Lord, lead ever more;
Lead me in Thy righteousness, now and ever more
I shall praise Thee now and ever more.

_Christy Young, soloist; Mary Lawrence Flinn, piano_

**CALL TO WORSHIP** .................................................. Artez Henderson

**†HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 521 “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” .......... SOLID ROCK**

**†INVOCATION (Please lift hands)**

**†CONFESSION OF FAITH: New City Catechism Q. 20 .......... Rusty Shappley (8:15)
Brandon Morrison (11:00)**

Who is the Redeemer?

_The only Redeemer is the Lord Jesus Christ,_
_the eternal Son of God,_
in whom God became man
_and bore the penalty for sin himself._
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.

Sacrament of Christian Baptism

8:15 a.m.
George Russell Elmore, born May 11, 2018, son of Ann Clark and Russell Elmore  
Elaina Dianne Devine, born March 24, 2018, daughter of Jen and Chris Devine  
Philip Jensen Knight, born April 2, 2018, son of Grace and Ethan Knight  
Mary Lane Stevens, born April 23, 2018, daughter of Lucy and Will Stevens  

11:00 a.m.
John William Louis Sharpe, born January 4, 2018, son of Catherine and Andrew Sharpe

Song of Encouragement: “Jesus Loves You”  
Jesus loves you, this we know, for the Bible tells us so;  
Little ones to Him belong, you are weak but He is strong.  
Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you!  
Yes, Jesus loves you! The Bible tells us so.

Trust Jesus, Our Only Redeemer

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Our Father in heaven,  
we thank You for sending the Savior to call us from death to life.  
We confess that we were dead in sin before we heard His call,  
but when we heard him, like Lazarus, we arose.  
But, O Father, the grave clothes bind us still —  
old habits that we cannot throw off,  
old customs that are so much a part of our lives —  
and we are helpless to live the new life that Christ calls us to live.  
Give us strength, O Father, to break the bonds;  
give us courage to live a new life in You;  
give us faith to believe that with Your help we cannot fail.  
All this we ask in the name of our Redeemer.

Individual Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Divine Pardon  
I Peter 2:24  
He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree,  
that we might die to sin and live to righteousness.  
By his wounds you have been healed.

Worship of God with the Gifts of God

Offertory Anthem: “A City Called Heaven”  
I am a pilgrim, a pilgrim of sorrow.  
I’m left in this wide world, this wide world alone!  
Ain’t got no hope, got no hope for tomorrow  
Trying to make it, make heaven my home.  
Sometimes I’m tossed and I’m driven, Lord.  
Sometimes I just don’t know which way to turn.  
Oh, I heard of a city, a city called heaven,  
Trying to make it, make heaven my home.

The Chancel Choir  
Ramon Moses, soloist; Brad Jones, piano  
Calvin Ellis, director
INVOCATION

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GREETINGS

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: “All I Have Is Christ”

Jordan Kauflin

Soloist:
I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way.
The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave.
I had no hope that You would own a rebel to Your will.
And if You had not loved me first, I would refuse You still.
Hallelujah! All I have is Christ. Hallelujah! Jesus is my life.

Congregation stands and sings:

2. But as I ran my hell-bound race, in different to the cost
3. Now Lord I would be yours alone and live so all might see
you looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross;
the strength to follow your commands could never come from me.

and I beheld God’s love displayed, you suffered in my place,
O Father, use my ransomed life in any way you choose

you bore the wrath reserved for me, now all I know is you,
and let my song forever be my only boast is you.

Chorus

Hal-le-lu-jah! All I have is Christ!

Hal-le-lu-jah! Jesus is my life!

BENEDICTION
NEW TESTAMENT LESSON .......................................................... Acts 18:1-28

(page 927 in the pew Bible)

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

SERMON God’s Encouragement Through God’s People: Part 1 George Robertson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

†HYMN OF COMMITMENT: “In Christ Alone” ........ Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my All in All,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save.
’Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied.
For ev’ry sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then, bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin’s curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine,
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the pow’r of Christ in me;
From life’s first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow’r of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
’Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I’ll stand.

†BENEDICTION (please raise hands)

†CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: “Allegro Giocoso” ................................. Denis Bédard

†Indicates congregation standing  CCLI License #252778
I. Sources of Discouragement
   A. Opposition
   B. Poor Results
   C. Loneliness
   D. Financial Strain

II. Sources of Encouragement
   A. God’s Word
   B. God’s Results
   C. God’s People
   D. God’s Resources

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Getting Connected at Second
A pastor will be available after the service to pray for you in the Gathering Room, located on the left as you exit the southwest door of the Sanctuary. To find out more about who we are and how you can become part of our church community, or for help with specific concerns, you may contact a member of our pastoral team listed below by calling (901) 454-0034 or emailing firstname.lastname@2pc.org.

David Bowen, Pastor to Middle Adults
Dan Burns, Pastor of World Missions
Todd Erickson, Pastoral Executive
Artez Henderson, Pastoral Resident
Barton Kimbro, Pastor to Young Adults
Jon McGuirt, Pastoral Resident
Gerry Peak, Pastor to Senior Adults
Brett Powell, Pastoral Resident
Josh Preston, Pastoral Resident
George Robertson, Senior Pastor
Tim Russell, Pastor to Middle Adults
Mike Stokke, Pastor to Middle Adults
Brandon Terry, Pastor to Young Adults
Brett Wynne, Pastor to Young Adults

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Our fall MidWeek semester is underway! Dinner is served each Wednesday from 5:00-6:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Then, all ages disperse for a service of prayer, fellowship, and teaching. Visit 2pc.org/midweek for the full schedule including teachers, times, and locations.

Church's reformation. Our own George Morrison, Jr. would be unable to attend the classes and stages of life. Visiting a CC (Sundays during ESL classes. Please pray that people would be encouraged to join the church. Aileen Coleman is still actively engaged with the staff, the light of the Gospel has shined. And in loving memory of:

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- Mildred Neal Gadberry and James Clayton McCullough
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Sunday School classes, offer a wide vocal, feel free to visit the “soundproof” Cry Room at the back of the Sanctuary. To find out more about Annoor and sharing the magnitude of God's work there.

In Arabic, “Annoor” means “The Light,” and through Aileen and the rest of the staff, the light of the Gospel has shined to the Bedouins living in the deserts of Jordan and reverberated throughout the world. Pray that God will continue to show the gospel to others and become involved. Visit 2pc.org/

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Congratulations to:

- Derek and Kristen Clenin on the birth of their great-grandchildren.
- Daniel Howard Byrd II, Mr. and Mrs. Porter;
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- Mr. and Mrs. Porter;
- Mr. and Mrs. David Green
- Mrs. Orin L. Davidson III;
- Crump Thompson, Sr.
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- Brandon Terry, Tim Russell, Brett Powell, Daniel Pollorena, Jill Peak, Daniel Pollorena, and in loving memory
- Mrs. Blanche Toms, May Fox, and their great-grandchildren.

Our worship services can be seen every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. on WREGTV.

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