

**Joyful in Hope – 86 – July 4, 2020**  
**(thoughts and ideas to encourage and challenge)**

*“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.”*  
*Romans 12:12*

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*We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal,  
that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights,  
that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.*

The preamble to our Declaration of Independence is a powerful reminder of the beliefs and principles that stand behind the creation of these United States of America. Abraham Lincoln called it “a rebuke and a stumbling-block to tyranny and oppression.”

Given everything that is going on in our nation right now, we would do well to be reminded of the resolve of the people who sacrificed much to lay a foundation for the freedoms we enjoy, and of the great privilege it is to call this country “home”. We seem, at times, to have lost our way as a nation, however the Declaration of Independence continues to inspire people around the world to fight for freedom and equality.

I pray that you have a happy and thoughtful Independence Day. God bless. Hope to see you tomorrow.

Invitation: Everyone is invited to join us for a ‘Picnic Under The Trees’, as we celebrate Percy and Terri Pasquin’s birthdays. Either bring lunch with you, or run and pick something up immediately following worship, then join us (at a safe distance) under the trees on the front lawn of the church building. Birthday cupcakes and cookies, along with bottled water, will be provided.

Here is tomorrow’s Order of Worship, along with the words to the Call to Worship, and the Songs we’ll be singing. I’ve also included an attachment to the Racism Scale I mentioned last week.

## **Sunday, July 5, 2020 – Order of Worship**

Welcome and Call to Worship – Psalm 47 (NIV) – Pete Brazle

Songs of Praise – Mel Storm  
Step by Step (15)  
To God Be The Glory (4)

Season of Prayer – Elders

Behold Our God – Recorded

Communion – Tom Achard

Children’s Chatter – Ward Bartlett

Sermon – Transformed Community

Scripture – Romans 12 (The Message) – Pete and Janine Brazle

I Will Serve You (605)

Challenge – Micah 6:8

Benediction – 2 Corinthians 13:14

### **Psalm 47**

Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy.

For the Lord Most High is awesome,

The great King over all the earth.

He subdued nations under us, peoples under our feet.

He chose our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob, whom he loved.

God has ascended amid shouts of joy,

The Lord amid the sounding of trumpets.

Sing praises to God, sing praises;

Sing praises to our King, sing praises.

For God is the King of all the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise.

God reigns over the nations; God is seated on his holy throne.

The nobles of the nations assemble

As the people of the God of Abraham,

for the kings of the earth belong to God; he is greatly exalted.

### **Songs of Praise**

#### **Step By Step**

O God, You are my God  
and I will ever praise You

O God, You are my God  
and I will ever praise You

I will seek You in the morning  
And I will learn to walk in Your ways  
And step by step You'll lead me  
And I will follow You all of my days (repeat verse)

And I will follow You all of my days  
And I will follow You all of my days  
And step by step You'll lead me  
And I will follow You all of my days

### **To God Be The Glory**

To God be the glory, great things He has done  
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son  
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin  
And opened the life-gate that all may go in

Chorus:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice  
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son  
And give Him the glory, great things He has done

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood  
To every believer the promise of God  
The vilest offender who truly obeys  
That moment may enter the heavenly way

Chorus

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done  
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son  
But purer, and higher, and greater will be  
Our wonder, our worship, when Jesus we see

Chorus

And give Him the glory, great things He has done

### **Behold Our God**

Who has held the oceans in His hands?  
Who has numbered every grain of sand?  
Kings and nations tremble at His voice  
All creation rises to rejoice  
Who has given counsel to the Lord?  
Who can question any of His words?  
Who can teach, the one who knows all things?  
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

Chorus

Behold our God, seated on His throne  
Come, let us adore Him  
Behold our King, nothing can compare  
Come, let us adore Him

Who has felt the nails upon His hands  
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?  
God eternal, humbled to the grave  
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign

Chorus

**I Will Serve You**

I will serve you because I love you  
You have given life to me  
I was nothing before you found me  
You have given life to me

Refrain:

Heartaches, broken pieces  
Ruined lives are why you died on Calv'ry  
Your touch is what I long for  
You have given life to me

(Repeat Verse and Refrain)

Ending

Heartaches, broken pieces  
Ruined lives are why  
You died on Calv'ry  
Your touch is what I long for  
You have given life to me

**Challenge - Micah 6:8**

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good.  
And what does the Lord require of you?  
To act justly, and to love mercy,  
and to walk humbly with your God.

**Benediction - 2 Corinthians 13:14**

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

# Racism Scale: Where do you fall?

