



October 17, 2021

**Prelude**

“I Need Thee Every Hour”  
Amy Smith, organ

arr. Jason D. Payne

**Welcome**

Rev. Dr. Adrian N. Doll

**\*Call to Worship**

O give thanks to the Lord. Call on His Holy Name.

Make known His deeds to all people.

**Sing to God. Sing praises to the Lord,  
and tell of His wonderful works!**

**Let us worship God!**

**\*Hymn**

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

No. 21, vs. 1, 2, 3, and 5 – Celebration Hymnal

O for a thousand tongues to sing  
My great Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King,  
The triumphs of His grace.

He breaks the pow'r of cancelled sin,  
He sets the prisoner free;  
His blood can make the foulest clean;  
His blood availed for me.

Jesus! The Name that charms our fears,  
That bids our sorrows cease,  
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,  
'Tis life and health and peace.

My gracious Master and my God,  
Assist me to proclaim,  
To spread thro' all the earth abroad,  
The honors of Thy name.

**\*Prayer of Confession**

God of Grace and Mercy,  
We confess that we do not pray as often as we should.  
When we pray, we often doubt that our prayers are important to You.  
We doubt that You are really listening to us.  
We address You without expecting a response.  
Too many times our prayers become a mindless ritual  
and our thoughts wander far away.  
Forgive us, Lord, we pray.  
And help us to trust that you always hear our prayers. Amen.

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**\*Assurance of Pardon**

**The Children's Sermon**

**Choral Anthem** "Be Not Afraid" arr. Douglas E. Wagner  
Chancel Choir

**New Testament Reading** John 14:8-14

**Sermon** "Why Are Prayers Not Answered?" Rev. Dr. Al Moreau

**Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts**

**Offertory** "Simple Gifts" arr. James Kasen  
Amy Smith, piano

**\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

**Stewardship Focus** Stewardship Committee

**The Prayers of God's People**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**\*Hymn** "I Love to Tell the Story"  
No. 444, vs. 1, 3, and 4 – Celebration Hymnal

I love to tell the story  
Of unseen things above,  
Of Jesus and His glory,  
Of Jesus and His love.  
I love to tell the story,  
Because I know its true.  
It satisfies my longings  
As nothing else can do.

*Refrain:*  
*I love to tell the story!*  
*'Twill be my theme in glory*  
*To tell the old, old story*  
*Of Jesus and His love.*

I love to tell the story;  
'Tis pleasant to repeat  
What seems each time I tell it  
More wonderfully sweet.  
I love to tell the story,  
For some have never heard  
The message of salvation  
From God's own holy Word. *(refrain)*

I love to tell the story,  
For those who know it best  
Seem hungering and thirsting  
To hear it like the rest.  
And when in scenes of glory  
I sing the new, new song,  
'Twill be the old, old story  
That I have loved so long. *(refrain)*

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude** "Jesus Loves Me" arr. Jason D. Payne  
Amy Smith, organ

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## Today at GVPC

**Welcome** – A very warm welcome to all worshipping with us this morning. Please record your attendance in the black friendship pad located in the pew back. We invite all visitors to the welcome table located in the Narthex to learn more about GVPC.

**Thank You** – This morning we welcome Rev. Dr. Al Moreau to the pulpit this morning. Dr. Moreau has pastored churches in VA, Clearwater, FL, Houston and Midland, TX, and Mexico, MO. He and his wife, Ruth now live in Henderson and attend GVPC.

**Sanctuary Flowers** – Today's flowers are provided by James Alejandro in celebration of his parent's Isidro and Esperanza Alejandro's 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and his mother's Esperanza 86<sup>th</sup> birthday; and by Bruce and Pat Benke to the Glory of God.

**Coffee Hour** - Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 am for coffee and fellowship. Today's coffee hour treats are provided by Lucy Cilibrasi and Teresa Medve.

**Youth Group** – All junior and senior high youth are invited to join us today from 12:00 – 2:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall for a meal, lesson, fellowship, and fun.

**Sunday School** - For elementary students (K – 5<sup>th</sup>) is offered today during the 10:30 am service in the Christian Education Building. Nursery care for ages 0 - 5 years is available in the C.E. Bldg.

**Name Tags** – During the month of October we are inviting everyone to wear a name tag. Paper name tags are available in the Narthex. To order a new or replacement GVPC name tag, please contact the church office at (702) 454-8484.

## This Week at GVPC

**New Member Inquiry Class** - The GVPC New Member Inquiry Class is **this Wednesday, October 20 from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Lunch will be provided. RSVP on the signup sheet located in the Narthex or with the church office at (702) 454-8484 by this Monday. (**Note** - There will be another class on Saturday, November 13 for those who are unable to attend this class.)

**Gingerbread Fair** – The Gingerbread Fair Committee would like to thank all the volunteers, contributors, and buyers that participated in the Gingerbread Fair on Saturday, October 9, 2021. It was a joy to see our Fair open and buzzing again. We had a very good turn out with lots of laughter and fun. Total proceeds from this year's fair grossed over \$8500.00. Thanks again for everyone's participation.

**Grief Support Group** – The *Grieve-Mourn-Live* grief support program meets today **at 1:00 pm** in the Conference Room. Everyone is invited to join.

**Monday Night Women's Bible Study** – Meets on **Mondays at 6:30 pm** in the Conference Room. We will be watching and discussing "The Chosen," the critically acclaimed video series based on the life of Jesus.

**Men's Group** - The Men's Study Group meets on Saturday mornings at 8:00 am for a time of fellowship, discussion, and study. The group is currently studying "*Reading Biblical Literature – Genesis to Revelation.*"

**Bunco** - The next meeting of the GVPC Bunco group will meet this **Thursday, October 21 from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. We have a very friendly, fun, and energetic group of players!

**Ladies Bible Fellowship** – Will meet this **Wednesday, October 20 at 10:00 am** in the C.E. Bldg., Rm 1. All ladies are invited to join us. (Please note meeting room change.)

### Joys and Concerns

*Please keep the following GVPC family and friends in your thoughts and prayers:*

Gail Gaede was released from the rehabilitation facility on Friday and is now home continuing with her recovery following a fall earlier this month. Thank you for all your prayers.

GVPC member and friend to many, Shari Jackson passed away on September 29. Please keep Shari's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this time of sorrow and loss.

Joe Willis is under hospice care at home. The family asks for no visitors at this time. Please keep Joe, Jann, and the entire Willis family in your prayers during this difficult time.



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