**Welcome to   
Kawkawlin Community Church**

*Order of Worship*

Opening Prayer

Song “How Great Thou Art”

**How Great Thou Art**

**1**) O Lord my God, When I in awesome wonder,  
Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made;  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

**Chorus**Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, How great Thou art.  
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How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

**2)** When through the woods, and forest glades I wander,  
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees.  
When I look down, from lofty mountain grandeur  
And see the brook, and feel the gentle breeze.

**3)** And when I think, that God, His Son not sparing;  
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;  
That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin.

**4**) When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.  
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration,  
And then proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!"

Welcome and Announcements:

The Sunday Flowers are presented by the Rowley family in celebration of their four wonderful grandsons: Pierce, Graham, Hugh and Elliot

***OUR CHURCH CALENDAR***

**Today,** **Sunday, September 1**

Sunday Gathering 10:00am

**Monday, September 2**

Office Closed for Labor Day Holiday

**Wednesday, September 4**

BOSL Meeting 5:30pm

Praise Team Practice 6:30pm

**Sunday, September 8**

Sunday Gathering 10:00am

Sunday School begins!

***REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS***

Tom Bond, Linda Hildebrant, John Lemke, Gary Miller, Brooke Keane, The Kersbergen Family, Suzanne Steimel, Bettyjean Borger, Dudy Theaker, The Cochran Family, Charlotte Heinlein, Kevin Revard, Anne Spiker, Ellen Moreno, Andres Hernandez, Tom Merkle, John Carmona, Bea LeClair, John Atkins, The Greer Family, Dean Gibson, Kevin Sessink, Tina Meylan, Justin Kerr, Clyde Krantz, John O’ Keefe, Sue Soper, Linda Abrams, Ty Sutherland, Monty Raffa, Dale Robertson, Herb Datte, Lisa Kreh, Mike Schmidt, June Stevens and our military troops at home and abroad.

***WELCOME TO ALL***  
If this is your first Sunday with us, welcome! We are very grateful you chose to worship here this morning. Please stop at the table next to the front doors, there is a special gift for all first-time guests. Be sure to sign the guest book!

***PRAYER***  
If you have a prayer request and would like someone to pray with you, please head to the southwest corner of the sanctuary after the worship service. Members of our ministry teams, and others, will meet you there and would be glad to pray with you.

***OFFICE CLOSED***The church office will be closed this Monday, September 2nd in observance of Labor Day. Please call the number listed on the answering machine if any emergencies arise.

***BIBLE STUDIES***Separate Bible Studies for men and for women will begin on Tuesday, September 17th at 6:00pm. The groups will meet in different areas of the facility, your children are welcome and will be occupied in the Sunday School rooms. Each study will be working through a book. The women should be purchasing “Jesus Through the Eyes of Women” by Rebecca McLaughlin and the men need “Point Man” by Steve Farrar. If you cannot attend the studies, you are urged to still get the book and follow along with the reading plan and discuss the book with those in the study or with family and friends. Possible online sources to purchase the books:  
For the men - "Point Man" by Steve Farrar. It can be found online at <https://a.co/d/iPwV6VW>  
For the women - "Jesus Through the Eyes of Women" by Rebecca McLaughlin can be found at <https://a.co/d/hzwgSzk>

***MORNING PRAYER***  
On weekday mornings (Monday – Thursday) at 9:00am in the church office we are gathering for a time of prayer. All are welcome!

***EMAIL CONTACT LIST***On the small table in the back of church is the current list of emails used each time a message is sent to the congregation. Check that your email address is present and edit it as needed. Please add additional emails at the bottom if any are absent so we can ensure everyone is able to receive all communications. Thank you!

***LIFECLINIC***A message to our church from LifeClinic: Participants of your recent Baby Bottle Campaign donated a total of $1,242.46. Thank you for partnering with LifeClinic to eliminate barriers, restore hope, and empower choices for life.

***SUNDAY SCHOOL***  
Sunday School returns Sunday, September 8th! We look forward to an exciting year of growing our children’s faith in and knowledge of Jesus Christ. The curriculum suits grades K-5 but all interested ages are welcome! Children will be dismissed for class after our family time of worship each Sunday morning. Call Diane Piquet at 989-684-3358 with any questions.

Greet Your Neighbor

The Nicene Creed (in unison)

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, visible and invisible.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Song “Shout to the Lord”

**Shout to the Lord**

My Jesus, my Savior  
Lord, there is none like You  
All of my days, I want to praise  
The wonders of Your mighty love

My comfort, my shelter  
Tower of refuge and strength  
Let every breath, all that I am  
Never cease to worship You

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing  
Power and majesty, praise to the King  
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar  
At the sound of Your name

I sing for joy at the work of Your hands  
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand  
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You

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Song “In Christ Alone”

**In Christ Alone**

[Verse 1]  
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

[Verse 2]

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  
‘Til on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live

[Verse 3]

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

[Verse 4]

No guilt in life no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life’s first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power 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

[Bridge]

I find my strength, I find my hope  
I find my help, in Christ alone  
When fear assails, when darkness falls  
I find my peace in Christ alone  
I give my life, I give my all  
I sing this song, to Christ alone  
The King of Kings, the Lord of Lords  
All heaven sings to Christ alone  
To Christ alone  
To Christ alone

[Tag]

Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand  
Here in the power of Christ we stand

Sermon Series: We Believe – Ancient Truth Changing Everyday Life

Sermon Title: The Fall and The Plan of God

Communion “The Mercy Tree”

**Mercy Tree**

[Verse 1]

On a hill called Calvary  
Stands an endless Mercy Tree  
Every broken weary soul  
Find your rest and be made whole

Stripes of blood that stain its frame  
Shed to wash away our shame  
From the scars, pure love released  
Salvation by the Mercy Tree

[Verse 2]

In the sky between two thieves  
Hung the blameless Prince of Peace  
Bruised and battered  
Scarred and scorned  
Sacred head pierced by our thorns

"It is finished, " was His cry  
The perfect lamb was crucified  
His sacrifice, our victory  
Our Savior chose the Mercy Tree

[Verse 3]

Hope went dark that violent day  
The whole earth quaked at love's display  
Three days silent in the ground  
This body born for heaven's crown

And on that bright and glorious day  
When heaven opened up the grave  
He's alive and risen indeed  
Praise Him for the Mercy Tree

[Chorus]

Death has died, love has won  
Hallelujah!, Hallelujah!  
Jesus Christ has overcome  
He has risen from the dead

[Verse 4]

One day soon, we'll see His face  
And every tear, He'll wipe away  
No more pain or suffering  
Oh praise Him for the Mercy Tree

[Chorus x2]

Death has died, love has won  
Hallelujah!, Hallelujah!  
Jesus Christ has overcome  
He has risen from the dead

[Ending]

On a hill called Calvary  
Stands an endless Mercy Tree

Song of Reflection “Glorious Day”

**Song “Glorious Day”**

I was buried beneath my shame  
Who could carry that kind of weight?  
It was my tomb  
'Til I met You

I was breathing, but not alive  
All my failures I tried to hide  
It was my tomb  
'Til I met You

You called my name  
Then I ran out of that grave  
Out of the darkness  
Into Your glorious day  
You called my name  
And I ran out of that grave  
Out of the darkness  
Into Your glorious day

Now Your mercy has saved my soul  
Now Your freedom is all that I know  
The old made new  
Jesus, when I met You

You called my name  
And I ran out of that grave  
Out of the darkness  
Into Your glorious day  
You called my name  
Then I ran out of that grave  
Out of the darkness  
Into Your glorious day

I needed rescue  
My sin was heavy  
But chains break at the weight of Your glory  
I needed shelter  
I was an orphan  
But You call me a citizen of Heaven  
When I was broken  
You were my healing  
Now Your love is the air that I'm breathing  
I have a future  
My eyes are open

'Cause when you called my name  
I ran out of that grave  
Out of the darkness  
Into Your glorious day  
You called my name  
And I ran out of that grave  
Out of the darkness  
Into Your glorious day

Doxology #622  
 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
 praise Him, all creatures here below;  
 praise Him above, ye, heav’nly host;  
 praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Closing Prayer

Sermon Handout:

**The Fall**

We believe that Adam, made in the image of God, distorted that image and forfeited his original blessedness—for himself and all his progeny—by falling into sin through Satan’s temptation. As a result, all human beings are alienated from God, corrupted in every aspect of their being (e.g., physically, mentally, volitionally, emotionally, spiritually) and condemned finally and irrevocably to death—apart from God’s own gracious intervention. The supreme need of all human beings is to be reconciled to the God under whose just and holy wrath we stand; the only hope of all human beings is the undeserved love of this same God, who alone can rescue us and restore us to himself.

**The Plan of God**

We believe that from all eternity God determined in grace to save a great multitude of guilty sinners from every tribe and language and people and nation, and to this end foreknew them and chose them. We believe that God justifies and sanctifies those who by grace have faith in Jesus, and that he will one day glorify them—all to the praise of his glorious grace. In love God commands and implores all people to repent and believe, having set his saving love on those he has chosen and having ordained Christ to be their Redeemer.

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Ancient Truth Changing Everyday Life (Why does it matter to me today?)