***The Worship of Our God***

*Resting in the Renewing Power of God’s Grace*

**September 27th 2020**

**The nineth Sunday in Regular Time**

**Prelude**

**Welcome, announcements and Call to Worship**

**\*Opening Hymn**  “More Than Conquers” (I)

When my hope and strength is gone  
You're the one who calls me on  
You are the life  
You are the fight  
That's in my soul

Oh, Your resurrection power  
Burns like fire in my heart  
When waters rise  
I lift my eyes  
Up to Your throne

We are more than conquerors, through Christ  
You have overcome this world, this life  
We will not bow to sin or to shame  
We are defiant in Your name  
You are the fire that cannot be tamed  
You are the power in our veins  
Our Lord, our God, our Conqueror

I will sing into the night  
Christ is risen and on high  
Greater is He  
Living in me  
Than in the world

No surrender, no retreat  
We are free and we're redeemed  
We will declare  
Over despair  
You are the hope

Nothing is impossible  
Every chain is breakable  
With You, we are victorious  
You are stronger than our hearts  
You are greater than the dark  
With You, we are victorious.

**Invocation  
 Passing of the Peace**

**Leader:** May the peace of Christ be with you **People: And also, with you,**

**Hymn “How Good It Is”** (I)

Oh how good it is  
When the family of God  
Dwells together in spirit  
In faith and unity.  
Where the bonds of peace,  
Of acceptance and love  
Are the fruit of His presence  
Here among us.  
  
So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord  
And with one heart we'll live out His word  
Till the whole earth sees  
The Redeemer has come  
For He dwells in the presence of His people.  
  
Oh how good it is  
On this journey we share  
To rejoice with the happy  
And weep with those who mourn.  
For the weak find strength  
The afflicted find grace  
When we offer the blessing  
Of belonging.  
  
Oh how good it is  
To embrace His command  
To prefer one another  
Forgive as He forgives.  
When we live as one  
We all share in the love  
Of the Son with the Father  
And the Spirit.

**Our Confession to God**

**Our Assurance of Forgiveness**

**Our Petitions to God**

**Pastoral Prayer / The Lord’s Prayer**

**Tithes and Offerings**

**\*Confession of Faith** “The Apostles Creed” (I)

***The Apostles Creed***

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, Our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen*

**The Equipping of God’s People**

**Scripture**

**Message**  *Iowa CCCC Area Pastor Jeff Griffith*

**\*Closing Hymn:** “They’ll Know We Are Christians” (I)

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;  
We are one int he Spirit, we are one in the Lord;  
And we pray that all unity will one day be restored.  
  
Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.  
  
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;  
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;  
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.  
  
We Will work with each other, we will work side by side;  
We will work with each other, we will work side by side;  
And we'll guard each man's dignity and save each man's pride.  
  
All praise to the Father, from whom all things come;  
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son.  
And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one.

**Benediction**

**Postlude**