

**“In this the love of God was manifested toward us,
that God has sent His only begotten Son
into the world, that we might live through Him.
In this is love, not that we loved God,
but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the
propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us,
we also ought to love one another.”**

I John 4: 9-11



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Our Weekly Services

**Sunday School9:30 am
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 am
Sunday Evening Worship5:30 pm
Wednesday Prayer Meeting7:15 pm**

**We warmly welcome our visitors today and ask that you sign our Guest Register located in the foyer.
We hope to greet you in a more personal way following the services.**

The Lord's Day

February 22, 2009

Call to Worship in Song

Pastor Andy Dunkerton

“Before the Throne of God Above”

1. Before the throne of God above I have a strong, a perfect plea;
A great High Priest whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart,
I know that while in heav'n He stands no tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.
2. When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free.
For God, the Just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me,
To look on Him and pardon me.
3. Behold Him there, the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless righteousness;
The great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace.
One with Himself I cannot die, my soul is purchased by His blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God,
With Christ my Savior and my God.

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Hymn of Praise

**# 20 “Give to Our God
Immortal Praise”**

Scripture Reading

I John 4

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Hymn

**# 547 “My Jesus, I Love
Thee”**

Hymn of Preparation

262 “God, in the Gospel”

Sermon

Pastor Gary Hendrix

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### **Evening Worship**

**Call to Worship**

**Pastor Charles Fortner**

**Hymn of Praise**

**“Christ is Coming!”**

1. Christ is coming! Let creation from her groans and travail cease;  
Let the glorious proclamation hope restore and~ faith increase;  
Christ is coming! Christ is coming! Come, Thou blessed Prince of Peace.
2. Earth can now but tell the story of Thy bitter cross and pain;

She shall yet behold Thy glory, when Thou comest~ back to reign:  
Christ is coming! Christ is coming! Let each heart repeat the strain.

3. Long Thine exiles have been pining, far from rest, and home, and Thee:  
But, in heav'nly vestures shining, they their loving~ Lord shall see:  
Christ is coming! Christ is coming! Haste the joyous jubilee.

4. With that blessed hope before us, let no harp remain unstrung;  
Let the mighty advent chorus onward roll from~ tongue to tongue:  
“Christ is coming! Christ is coming! Come, Lord Jesus, quickly come!” AMEN

Text: John Ross Macduff, 1818-1895 Tune: REGENT SQUARE, Henry Smart, 1867

## **Scripture Reading**

## **Zechariah 1**

## **Pastoral Prayer**

## **Offertory Hymn**

## **# 488 “Lead On, O King Eternal”**

## **Hymn of Preparation**

## **“As the Deer” / “Nearer, Still Nearer”**

1. As the deer panteth for the water, so my soul longeth after Thee.  
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship Thee.  
You alone are my strength, my shield; to You alone may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship Thee.

2. I want You more than gold or silver, only You can satisfy.  
You alone are the real joy giver and the apple of my eye.  
You alone are my strength, my shield; to You alone may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship Thee. (piano introduction)

1. Nearer, still nearer, close to Thy heart, draw me, my Savoir – so precious Thou art!  
Fold me, O fold me close to Thy breast. Shelter me safe in that haven of rest;  
Shelter me safe in that haven of rest.

2. Nearer, still nearer, nothing I bring, naught as an off'ring to Jesus, my King –  
Only my sinful, now contrite heart. Grant me the cleansing Thy blood doth impart;  
Grant me the cleansing Thy blood doth impart.

3. Nearer, still nearer, Lord, to be Thine! Sin, with its follies, I gladly resign,  
All of its pleasures, pomp and its pride. Give me but Jesus, my Lord, crucified;  
Give me but Jesus, my Lord, crucified.

4. Nearer, still nearer, while life shall last, till safe in glory my anchor is cast;  
Thro' endless ages ever to be nearer, my Savior, still nearer to the Thee;  
Nearer, my Savior, still nearer to Thee. AMEN

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## **Sermon**

## **Pastor Andy Dunkerton**

## GRBC Calendar Announcements

*We kindly request that you turn off all cell phones, pagers and watch alarms before the services. Please make use of our well-staffed nursery for children who may become fretful or talkative.*

### Today

**Morning Prayer Meeting** - A prayer meeting to seek God's presence for the day's services is held each Sunday morning at 9:00 in the College/Career classroom.

**Hawfields' Ministry** – Jeff Raysor will be speaking to the residents today at 3:00. You are welcome to attend and encourage the elderly folk who live there.

**Youth meetings** (1.) The **Vision** group (high school/college) will meet at the home of Steve & Lolly Wright following the evening service. Girls bring a dessert, and guys bring a soda. (2.) The **Middle-schoolers** will go to Mark & Caroline Lewis' home. Meet in the SS wing foyer approximately 10 minutes after the service concludes. Rides will be provided to the Lewis home and back to the church for those of you who need it. Others may find it closer to be picked up at the Lewis home. Chili is the menu, so keep this in mind when you bring your veggies or chips. Girls, please bring dessert or fruit.

**MCC needs "outdoor toy" donations** for the children who are being supervised during the meetings. See the list on the board and the donation box is in the foyer.

**Church Directories** are available in the office for members and regular attendees. Two per family, please.

*A "Couples' Dinner" is planned for Friday evening, March 27, 7:00 pm. Space is limited to 32 couples. The cost is \$32.00/couple. Please refer to the bulletin board "sign up" by 3/15 and place your payments in the church office by 3/18.*

*\*\*\*Childcare info is posted on a separate sheet on the bulletin board.\*\*\**

### March

**Ladies' Missionary Society, 3/7, 9:00 AM**

**Men's Prayer Meetings, 3/3 & 3/17 (Tuesdays), 6:30 AM**

**Moms' Coffee Connection, 3/13, 10:00 AM**

**"Fellowship in Song", Friday, 3/20, 7:30 PM-** An evening of special music is being planned. Music presented at the Women's Conference and Youth Conference will be presented by those who participated. Congregational and other special music is planned as well. Please come and enjoy this special time of fellowship. No formal nursery is planned but the facilities will be open for any who may need to use them.

**Hawfields Service, 3/22, 3:00 PM**

**Youth Meetings, 3/22, following evening worship**

**Couples' Dinner, 3/27, 7:00 PM-** Please see the announcement for details.

**Attention: Adult Chorus!** A concert is being planned for May. The March rehearsal schedule is as follows: March 1, 8, 15 & 29 following the evening service.

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<http://blog.grbc.net> or go to: grbc.net and click the "Blog" button. You will also find a "Subscribe" option on the main blog page that will keep you informed when new entries are posted.



