



During these weeks in which we are not able to join to worship together in our sanctuary, our pastoral staff wanted to share with you a few worship resources that we hope will aid you, either individually or with your family, in lifting your heart in worship to the Lord, experiencing his presence in your life, and feeding on his Word.

This week's resource follows along with our online worship service - check it out on the [HBIC YouTube Channel](#), beginning Sunday morning at 9 am.

Call to Worship (Pastor Brie):

John 13:34-35

³⁴ A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.

I am so encouraged today by these words from Jesus.

First, His words tell me that Jesus is confident we can love one another as he loved us! That is both edifying and mind boggling! Jesus laid down his life for us! He believes we can love one another with the same love!

I'm also always struck by his point here, that the identifying mark of disciples is our love for one another. Our love for one another is so important in the furthering of the kingdom. May we be spurred on today and in this time to love each other as Jesus loves us!

Let us pray.

Father, we thank you that you are love. Thank you that you are the God of love, the author of love and the perfecter of love! Thank you for loving us through all of time, despite what we have done, do or will do. Thank you for Jesus' example of what it looks like to love. Lord, help

us to love as Jesus loved. Help us to draw nearer to you and in knowing you more, become better at loving. Thank you that your love through us points back to you. Help us to have more of your heart, your unbiased, unjaded love! And we thank you that you give us all we need to follow your command to love!

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Song (Pastor Esteban): Yes I Will

Verse 1

*I count on one thing
The same God that never fails
Will not fail me now
You won't fail me now
In the waiting
The same God who's never late
Is working all things out
You're working all things out*

Chorus

*Yes I will lift You high
In the lowest valley
Yes I will bless Your name
Yes I will sing for joy
When my heart is heavy
All my days yes I will*

Bridge

*I choose to praise
To glorify glorify
The name of all names
That nothing can stand against*

*For all my days
Yes I will*

Prayer

Children's Story (Pastor Patty)

Link for children's song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rezg4jYFoj0>

Offering Invitation (Pastor Carmen):

As we come together, I want to take a moment to remind you that the various ways you can give your tithes and offerings can be found on our website, hbic.church, click on *Ways to Give*.

Offering Prayer

Doxology (Pastor Esteban):

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost*

Pastoral Prayer (Pastor Woody):

The Word (Pastor Hank):

Galatians 5:22-23 NIV

²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

Galatians 5:22-23 The Message

²²⁻²³ But what happens when we live God's way? He brings gifts into our lives, much the same way that fruit appears in an orchard—things like affection for others, exuberance about life, serenity. We develop a willingness to stick with things, a sense of compassion in the heart, and a conviction that a basic holiness permeates things and people. We find ourselves involved in loyal commitments, not needing to force our way in life, able to marshal and direct our energies wisely.

I John 3:16-18 NIV

¹⁶ This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. ¹⁷ If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? ¹⁸ Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.

I John 3:16-18 The Message

¹⁶⁻¹⁸ This is how we've come to understand and experience love: Christ sacrificed his life for us. This is why we ought to live sacrificially for our fellow believers, and not just be out for ourselves. If you see some brother or sister in need and have the means to do something about it but turn a cold shoulder and do nothing, what happens to God's love? It disappears. And you made it disappear. My dear children, let's not just talk about love; let's practice real love.

Questions for Reflection and/or Discussion:

- What is one way you can share God's love today?
- Who one person can share God's love with today?
- How is God calling you to lay down your life for others?
- How does your world (family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc.) know God's love through you?

Song (Pastor Esteban): *How Deep the Father's Love For US*

Verse 1

*How deep the Father's love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory*

Verse 2

*Behold the man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished*

Verse 3

*I will not boast in anything
No gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom*

Announcements (Pastor Lynda):

For announcements today, first I want to pass along a **word of thanks** from Nancy Benson, Nancy Patrick, and Nancy Busch, the coordinators of our Food Pantry ministry. They're grateful for the volunteer help and the financial support that the congregation is giving as we offer two Food Pantry distribution days each month.

And we want to continue to encourage you to connect through the various avenues happening online within our HBIC community.

- **Wednesday nights at 7pm** we will be continuing to meet for our **Zoom Virtual Prayer Meeting**. This gives a chance to see others in our church family and join in prayer together. Each week the link is in the Journeying Together email, and a reminder email will go out on Wednesdays with the link as well.
- **Zoom Connection** - We are adding to the Zoom schedule a couple times just to log on and have more informal conversation with others. We are going to try this out with two opportunities each week, Friday evenings at 7 pm (starts this Friday, April 24th), and Mondays at 10 am (starts next Monday, April 27)
- If you aren't receiving our email updates and would like to, please send a note to office@harrisburgbic.org so we can add you to the contact list.

We also want to encourage you to keep doing what you can to reach out and connect with others. We can show our love for others by intentionally staying in touch with one another.

Thank you for joining us this morning on the [HBIC YouTube Channel](#). We hope to "see" you again next week! (The link for each week's service will be live on Sunday morning by 9 am.)

Song (Pastor Esteban): *Reckless Love*

Verse 1

*Before I spoke a word, You were singing over me
You have been so, so good to me
Before I took a breath, You breathed Your life in me
You have been so, so kind to me*

Chorus

*Oh tu amor me envuelve me sostiene
Amor sin condición
Me persigue y deja las noventa
Y nueve para mi
No puedo ganarlo ni merecerlo
Tu amor se entrego por mi
Oh tu amor me envuelve me sostiene
Amor sin condición*

Verse 2

*When I was Your foe, still Your love fought for me
You have been so, so good to me*

*When I felt no worth, You paid it all for me
You have been so, so kind to me*

Bridge

*There's no shadow You won't light up
Mountain You won't climb up
Coming after me
There's no wall You won't kick down
Lie You won't tear down
Coming after me*

Benediction and Closing Prayer (Pastor Hank):

Lift your heart(s) before God in prayer.