

# UPTOWN CHURCH

**Worship Guide**  
September 18, 2022

## Welcome & Announcements

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## Call to Worship

Rev. Jordan Olshefski  
*Senior Pastor*

## For The Beauty Of The Earth

*C. Kocher | F. S. Pierpoint*

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies  
For the love which from our birth, over and around us lies  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise

### **chorus**

*The earth is filled with Your glory  
The earth is filled with Your glory*

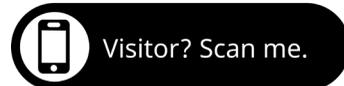
For the wonder of each hour, of the day and of the night  
Hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise

### **chorus**

Holy, Holy  
The earth is filled with your glory  
The earth is filled with your glory

For each perfect gift of Thine, to our world so freely given  
Graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of Heaven  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise

### **chorus**



## God Of Wonders

M. Byrd | S. Hindalong

Lord of all creation, of water earth and sky  
The heavens are Your tabernacle, glory to the Lord on high

### **chorus**

*God of wonders beyond our galaxy, You are holy, holy  
The universe declares Your majesty, You are holy, holy  
Lord of heaven and earth, Lord of heaven and earth*

Early in the morning, I will celebrate the light  
When I stumble in the darkness, I will call Your name by night

### **chorus**

Hallelujah, to the Lord of Heaven and Earth  
(repeat x2)

**chorus** (x2)

## Great Are You Lord

L. Jordan | D. Leonard

You give life You are love, You bring light to the darkness  
You give hope You restore, ev'ry heart that is broken  
And great are You Lord

### **chorus**

*It's Your breath in our lungs, so we pour out our praise, we pour out our praise  
It's Your breath in our lungs, so we pour out our praise to You only*

You give life You are love, You bring light to the darkness  
You give hope You restore, ev'ry heart that is broken  
And great are You Lord

**chorus** (x2)

And all the earth will shout Your praise, our hearts will cry these bones will sing  
Great are You Lord  
(repeat x2)

**chorus** (x2)

## The Giving of Tithes & Offerings

### Song of Illumination

#### **Indescribable**

*L. Story*

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea  
Creation's revealing Your majesty  
From the colors of Fall to the fragrance of Spring  
Ev'ry creature unique in the song that it sings All exclaiming

#### **chorus 1**

*Indescribable, uncontainable*

*You placed the stars in the sky and You know them by name*

*You are amazing God*

*All powerful, untamable*

*Awestruck we fall to our knees as we humbly proclaim*

*You are amazing God*

Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt where it should go  
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow  
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light  
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night, None can fathom

#### **chorus 1**

#### **chorus 1**

#### **chorus 2**

*Indescribable, uncontainable*

*You placed the stars in the sky and You know them by name*

*You are amazing God*

*Incomparable, unchangeable*

*You see the depths of my heart and you love me the same*

*You are amazing God*

**The Sermon**

Rev. Jordan Olshefski

**“Why Creation Matters”**

Genesis 1:1-2:3

# Confession of Faith

## The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
the Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:

Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven,  
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;  
the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting.

Amen.

The Apostles' Creed is one of the oldest universally agreed upon statements of Christian faith outside of scripture, from the first few centuries of the church. It is not in addition to scripture, but rather a summary of doctrines which are clear in scripture. It was used for baptismal candidates in the early church.

\*In this context, "catholic" means "universal": the church in all places at all times.

# Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Rev. Jordan Olshefski

## Song for the Supper

### Wood And Nails

*I. Wardell | K. Watts | M. Cunningham*

O humble carpenter down on your hands and knees  
Look on your handiwork and build a house so you may dwell in me  
So you may dwell in me

#### **chorus 1**

*The work was done with nothing but, wood and nails in Your scar-borne hands  
O show me how to work and praise, trusting that I am Your instrument*

O loving laborer with the sweat upon your face  
O build a table that I too may join you in the father's place  
Oh in the father's place

#### **chorus 1**

#### **chorus 2**

*The kingdom's come and built upon, wood and nails gripped with joyfulness  
So send me out within Your ways, knowing that the task is finished  
The dead will rise and give You praise, wood and nails will not hold them down  
These wooden tombs we'll break them soon, and fashion them into flower beds  
The curse is done the battle won, swords bent down into plowshares  
Your scar-borne hands we'll join with them, serving at the table You've prepared*

O humble carpenter

## Song of Response

### How Great Thou Art

*S. W. K. Hine*

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 pow'r thru'out the universe displayed

#### **chorus**

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art*

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 hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze

#### **chorus**

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

#### **chorus**

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 there proclaim, my God how great Thou art

#### **chorus**

## Benediction

Rev. Jordan Olshefski

# Notes

## Musicians

Worship Leader – Paul Winter | Front Vocalist – Christy Talamo | Bass Guitar – Colin Clark | Piano – John Humcke | Drums – Brad Shensky

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