**Order of Worship**

**Call to Worship**

L: O let us give thanks to the Lord,

**R: For the love of God will never end.**

L: Let we who love God be unashamed to declare it,

**R: Because God has answered our cries for help.**

L**:** The Lord our God has met our every need,

**R: We will therefore proclaim the love of the Lord**

L**:** O give thanks to God, who is always good,

**R: Whose steadfast love endures for ever!**

L**:** Let all the redeemed sing their praise together,

**R: O give thanks to God, who is always good, whose love in Christ Jesus endures forever**

**Hymn:** **“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee …”** **[# 5 VIP]**

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
Opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day!
2. All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect
thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around thee,
Centre of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,
Call us to rejoice in thee.
3. Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living,
Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our father, Christ our brother,
All who live in love are thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.
4. Mortals, join the mighty chorus
Which the morning stars began;
Love divine is reigning o'er us,
Binding all within its span.
Ever singing, march we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife;
Joyful music leads us sunward,
In the triumph song of life.

**Henry Van Dyke (1852—1933)**

**Prayer of Adoration**

L**:** Almighty God our heavenly Father, today, we reverence and honor You.  You are our God and we submit our loyalty and adoration to You.   You are the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. You are compassionate and merciful, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love.  You are good to everyone and You shower compassion on all of Your creation, so we lift our voices to offer to you praise and worship and invite you to bless our worship. let Your ears be attentive to our prayer and may the Holy Spirit, teach us how to reverence and adore our Father in true holiness, in your name we pray. Amen

**Prayers of Confession**

L: Let us Sing, “**Search me O God…”**

***Search me, O God, and know my heart today
Try me, O Savior, know my thoughts, I pray
See if there be some wicked way in me
Cleanse me from every sin, and set me free***

L: Let us now make our confession to God.

Almighty God we come now bowing our heads in shame before your face as we make our confession to you. Forgive us for sins of pride, rebellion, disobedience, selfishness, hatred, and idolatry.

Forgive us for half-hearted worship. Forgive us for abusing and misusing the gifts that you have given us. Forgive us for our failure to love as you loved us, cleanse us from our selfishness and pride and Restore us again to rejoice and celebrate our free salvation in Jesus Christ.

In Christ we are set free. Through Christ we are forgiven.

**R: Amen. Thanks be to God**

**Expression of Thanksgiving in song**

L: We Sing, **“Thanks, Thanks We Give You Thanks…”**

***Thanks, thanks We give you thanks
For all You've done…
We are so blessed my soul is at rest
Oh Lord I give you thanks.***

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**Responsive Reading: Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15 [VIP # 620]**

*Led by:* **Rev’d I. Michael LLewellyn, JP**

L: **1**It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
    to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

**R: 2to declare your steadfast love in the morning,
    and your faithfulness by night,**

L: **3**to the music of the lute and the harp,
    to the melody of the lyre.

**R: 4For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work;
    at the works of your hands I sing for joy.**

L: **12**The righteous flourish like the palm tree,
    and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

**R: 13They are planted in the house of the Lord;
    they flourish in the courts of our God.**

L: **14**In old age they still produce fruit;
    they are always green and full of sap,

**ALL: 15showing that the Lord is upright;
    he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.**

**The Gloria**

**Time of Praise - Sis. Nicole Cbrand, Sis. Cassie-Ann King**

 **and Nicole Cobrand** *(Grateful Hill Praise*

*Team)*

**MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

**Collect**

**ALL: Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.**

**Hymn: “I Love to Hear the Story…”** **[# 474 VIP]**

1. I Love to hear the story
Which angel voices tell,
How once the King of Glory
Came down on earth to dwell.
I am both weak and sinful,
But this I surely know:
The Lord came down to save me,
Because he loved me so.
2. I'm glad my blessèd Saviour
Was once a child like me,
To show how pure and holy
His little ones might be,

And if I try to follow
His footsteps here below,
He never will forsake me,
Because he loves me so.

1. To sing his love and mercy
My sweetest songs I'll raise;
And though I cannot see him,
I know he hears my praise:
For he has kindly promised
That even I may go
To sing among his angels,
Because he loves me so.

**Emily H. Miller (1833-1913)**

**Epistle: 1 Peter 4:7 – 11 - Sis. Cassie-Ann King**

**Ministry Item - Grateful Hill Choristers**

**Gospel: Mark 4: 26-34 - Rev’d I. Michael LLewellyn, JP**

*(Supt. Minister, Beechamville/*

 *Bensonton Circuit)*

**Message: - Rev’d Audrey Knott**

  *(Minister, Grateful Hill Circuit)*

**Hymn of Response: “Lord in the Fullness of My Might…” [# 227 VIP]**

1. Lord, in the fullness of my might,
I would for thee be strong:
While runneth o'er each dear delight,
To thee should soar my song.
2. I would not give the world my heart,
And then profess thy love;
I would not feel my strength depart,
And then thy service prove.
3. I would not with swift-wingèd zeal
On the world's errands go,
And labour up the heavenly hill
With weary feet and slow.
4. O not for thee my weak desires,
My poorer, baser part!
O not for thee my fading fires,
The ashes of my heart!
5. O choose me in my golden time,
In my dear joys have part!
For thee the glory of my prime,
The fullness of my heart!
6. I cannot, Lord, too early take
The covenant divine;
O ne’er the happy heart may break
Whose earliest love was thine!

***Thomas H. Gill* (1819-1906)**

**Announcements/ Offertory/ Blessing of Tithes & Offering.**

**Intercessory Prayers**

L: Let us pray for the church of Jesus Christ especially the Methodist church, for its unity, for the fulfillment of its mission, for all its ministers and leader and for all Christians that you will strengthen and enable her to be true to you Lord in your mercy…

**R: Hear and answer our prayer**

L: Let us pray for all nations in our world, for Jamaica, its leaders and all who serve the common good that you will give wisdom and direct us in paths of righteousness. Lord in your mercy…

**R: Hear and answer our prayer**

L: Let us pray for all who suffer, for the sick, those who mourn, those who work and minister to those who are disadvantaged, infirm, for those who are lonely and alone that you will comfort and heal and give courage and hope to all in their troubles. Lord in your mercy…

**R: Hear and answer our prayer**

L: Let us pray for all people especially those who are challenged and find life difficult especially at this time. Come to the help of all who are in danger, necessity, and trouble, comfort the aged, bereaved, lonely, oppressed and desolate. Heal those who are sick in mind or body; Lord in your mercy…

**R: Hear and answer our prayer**

L: Let us pray for our families near and far, for our friends and co-workers, for those we know and love and pray that you will give us grace to serve as You served and love as you loved. Lord in your mercy

**R: Hear and answer our prayer**

L: Good Lord we lift our voices to you. Good Lord here we present these our concerns to you.

**R: Accept these our prayers for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, AMEN.**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Closing Hymn: “Give Me The Faith Which Can Remove…” [# 221 VIP]**

1. Give me the faith which can remove
And sink the mountain to a plain;
Give me the childlike praying love,
Which longs to build thy house again;
Thy love, let it my heart o'erpower,
And all my simple soul devour.
2. I would the precious time redeem,
And longer live for this alone:
To spend, and to be spent, for them
Who have not yet my Saviour known;
Fully on these my mission prove,
And only breathe, to breathe thy love.
3. My talents, gifts, and graces. Lord,
Into thy blessed hands receive;
And let me live to preach thy word,
And let me to thy glory live;
My every sacred moment spend
In publishing the sinners' friend.
4. Enlarge, inflame, and fill my heart
With boundless charity divine:
So shall I all my strength exert,
And love them with a zeal like thine;
And lead them to thy open side,
The sheep for whom their Shepherd died.

***Charles Wesley (1707—1788)***

**Benediction - Rev’d I. Michael LLewellyn, JP**



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*A warm welcome to all worshippers!*