



April 8, 2026

***Invitation to Praise**

The Praise Team

In the Name of Jesus

In the name of Jesus
In the name of Jesus
We have the victory
In the name of Jesus
In the name of Jesus
Satan has to flee

Tell me who can stand before us when we call on
that great name?

Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus
We have the victory

Victory, victory
We have the victory
Victory, victory
We have the victory

Because He Lives

God sent His son, they called Him, Jesus;
He came to love, heal, and forgive;
He lived and died to buy me pardon,
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives!

Chorus:

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow,
Because He lives, all fear is gone;
Because I know He holds the future,
And life is worth the living
Just because He lives!

How sweet to hold a newborn baby,
And feel the pride and joy he brings;
But greater still the calm assurance:
This child can face uncertain days because He lives!

And then one day, I'll cross the river,
I'll fight life's final war with pain;
And then, as death gives way to victory,
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives!

Daily I Will Worship Thee

Daily I will worship Thee
Lamb of God who died for me
Who extended endless mercy
Daily I will worship Thee

***Call to Worship**

Riverside Clergy

One: God of peace, love, and joy, we greet you
with praise!

All: Stir up the joy in us that rises and stays.

One: Loosen our tongues to speak with delight
and grace.

**All: Open our ears to love, each voice we
embrace.**

One: Remind us we're yours, held in mercy
and truth.

All: Let us worship and be shaped by Your love.

***Opening Prayer**

***Welcome One Another**

Life of the Community

Call for the Offering

Offertory Hymn

His Name is Wonderful

His Name is wonderful
His Name is wonderful
His Name is wonderful
Jesus, our Lord

He is the mighty King
Master of everything
His Name is wonderful
Jesus, our Lord

Scripture Lesson

John 13:2-9; 33-37

² The devil had already decided that Judas son of Simon Iscariot would betray Jesus. And during supper ³ Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴ got up from supper, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵ Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. ⁶ He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷ Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." ⁸ Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." ⁹ Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!"

³³ Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

³⁶ Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, where are you going?" Jesus answered, "Where I am going, you

cannot follow me now, but you will follow afterward." ³⁷ Peter said to him, "Lord, why can I not follow you now? I will lay down my life for you."

One: This is the Gospel of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermonic Selection **Pastor Terrance L. Kennedy**

Sermon **Dr. Jillian Langford**

**Lessons from Holy Week:
The Cross and a Command**

Moment of Silent Reflection

Holy Communion

Riverside Clergy

Great Prayer Of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up unto the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

One: The body of Christ, broken for you.

All: Thanks be to God for the bread of life!

One: The blood of Christ, poured out for you.

All: Thanks be to God for the cup of blessing!

Prayer

Rev. Charlene A. Wingate

***Benediction**

Dr. Langford

***Closing Song**

I Feel Like Goin' On

Today's Musical Leaders:

Pastor Terrance L. Kennedy

**Please stand as you are able.*

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