



**THE HYMN**

**“GOD IS KNOWN AMONG HIS PEOPLE”**

- 1. God is known among his people, every mouth his praises fill;  
from of old he has established his abode on Zion’s hill;  
there he broke the sword and arrow, bade the noise of ward be still.**
- 2. Excellent and glorious are you, with your trophies from the fray;  
you have slain the mighty warriors, wrapped in sleep of death are they;  
when your anger once is risen, who can stand in that dread day?**
- 3. When from heav’n your sentence sounded, all the earth in fear was still,  
while to save the meek and lowly God in judgment wrought his will;  
e’en the wrath of man shall praise you, your designs it shall fulfil.**
- 4. Vow and pay unto Jehovah, him your God forever own;  
all men, bring your gifts before him, worship him, and him alone;  
mighty kings obey and fear him, princes bow before his throne.**

**THE NEW TESTAMENT**

**1 THESSALONIANS 5: 1-11**

**Now, brothers, about times and dates we do not need to write to you, for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. While people are saying, “Peace and safety,” destruction will come on them suddenly, as labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. But you, brothers, are not in darkness so that this day should surprise you like a thief. You are all sons of the light and sons of the day. We do not belong to the night or to the darkness. So then, let us not be like others, who are asleep, but let us be alert and self-controlled. For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be self-controlled, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet. For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.**

**THE MORNING PRAYER**

**THE ANTHEM**

**“WITH THE WAVING OF PALMS”**

**BOCK**

**THE SCRIPTURE**

**ZEPHANIAH 1: 14-18**

*“That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of trouble and ruin, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and blackness...”*

**THE SERMON**

**REV. BEN RATLIFF**

**THE HYMN**

**“MARVELOUS GRACE OF OUR LOVING LORD”**

**1. Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt,  
yonder on Calvary’s mount outpoured, there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.  
Grace, grace, God’s grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within;  
grace, grace, God’s grace, grace that is greater than all our sin.**

**2. Sin and despair like the sea waves cold, threaten the soul with infinite loss;  
grace that is greater, yes, grace untold, points to the Refuge, the mighty cross.  
Grace, grace, God’s grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within;  
grace, grace, God’s grace, grace that is greater than all our sin.**

**3. Dark is the stain that we cannot hide, what can avail to wash it away?  
Look! There is flowing a crimson tide; whiter than snow you may be today.  
Grace, grace, God’s grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within;  
grace, grace, God’s grace, grace that is greater than all our sin.**

**THE BENEDICTION**

**THE POSTLUDE**

**“CHORALE PRELUDE ON *ALL GLORY, LAUD, AND HONOR*”**

**KAUFFMANN**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**During the Evening Service, Ben will be preaching from Exodus 6: 28-7:7.**

**We will have Prayer Meeting this Wednesday at 6:00 PM.**

**Youth Group will meet Wednesday, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the Youth Room for Fellowship and Bible Study.**

**The first Communicants Class will meet today 4:45.**

**The Good Friday Communion Service will be at 6:00PM April 2.**

**Anyone who would like to make a donation to the Easter flower fund in honor or memory of a loved one, please contact the Church Office.**