



Intown
Community
Church

Welcome!

We're glad you're with us today.

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GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Marshall Sims

Call to Worship

Stacey Dombrowski

Psalm 47:5-7 (NIV)

- Leader:** God has ascended amid shouts of joy, the LORD amid the sounding of trumpets.
- All:** Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.
- Leader:** For God is the King of all the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise.
- All:** Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.

Prayer of Adoration

Concluded by the Lord's Prayer

- All:** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall.
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.
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You chosen seed of Israel's race, you ransomed from the fall.
Hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.
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Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball.
To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.
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House of the Lord

We worship the God who was,
we worship the God who is,
we worship the God who evermore will be.
He opened the prison doors,
he parted the raging sea,
my God, he holds the victory.

Chorus:

There's joy in the house of the Lord,
there's joy in the house of the Lord today.
And we won't be quiet,
Lord, we shout out your praise.
There's joy in the house of the Lord,
our God is surely in this place.
And we won't be quiet,
Lord, we shout out your praise.

We sing to the God who heals,
we sing to the God who saves,
we sing to the God who always makes a way.
'Cause he hung up on that cross,
then he rose up from that grave.
My God's still rolling stones away.

Chorus

We were the beggars, now we're royalty.
We were the prisoners, now we're running free.
We are forgiven, accepted, redeemed by his grace.
Let the house of the Lord sing praise.

Repeat

Chorus Twice

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Prayer of Confession

Leader: Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from death to life, and crowned him Lord of all.

All: We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the ways of the world and failed to give him glory. Forgive us, and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world, and is head of the church, his body. Amen.

Silent Confession

Words of Encouragement

Ephesians 2:4-7 (ESV)

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in his hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at his voice.
All creation rises to rejoice.

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of his words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds?

Chorus:

Behold our God seated on his throne;
come, let us adore him.
Behold our King! Nothing can compare;
come, let us adore him!

Who has felt the nails upon his hands,
bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal humbled to the grave,
Jesus, Savior risen now to reign!

Chorus

You will reign forever (Let your glory fill the earth)
You will reign forever (Let your glory fill the earth)
You will reign forever (Let your glory fill the earth)
You will reign forever (Let your glory fill the earth)

Repeat

Chorus Twice

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The Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

Be Still My Soul

Be still, my soul! The Lord is on your side;
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
Leave to your God to order and provide;
In every change He faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul! Your best, your heavenly Friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul! Your God will undertake
To guide the future as he has the past.
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul! The waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while he dwelt below.

Be still, my soul! The hour is hastening on
When we shall be forever with the Lord—
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul! When change and tears are past,
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

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THE WORD

Sermon Scripture Reading (ESV) Reader: James Wert

John 13:36-14:9

Simon Peter said to him, “Lord, where are you going?” Jesus answered him, “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.”³⁸ Jesus answered, “Will you lay down your life for me? Truly, truly, I say to you, the rooster will not crow till you have denied me three times.

^{14:1} “Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ² In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way to where I am going.” ⁵ Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶ Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” ⁸ Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.” ⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’?”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Dr. Jimmy Agan

**I AM – Seven Reasons to Trust Jesus:
I Am the Way, the Truth, and the Life**

COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

ALL COMMUNION BREAD IS GLUTEN-FREE. TRAYS CONTAIN WINE IN THE MIDDLE AND GRAPE JUICE IN THE OUTER RIM. PLEASE HOLD THE ELEMENTS UNTIL EVERYONE IS SERVED AND WE WILL ALL TAKE THEM TOGETHER.

Partaking Together

Leader: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

All: Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

Leader: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us,

All: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Leader: These are the gifts of God for the people of God.
Feed on them in your hearts by faith and with thanksgiving.

SENDING

Worship through Giving

2 Corinthians 9:7 (NIV)

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

GIVING BACK TO GOD A PORTION OF WHAT HE HAS GRACIOUSLY PROVIDED FOR US IS A FORM OF WORSHIP. TO MAKE AN OFFERING TO INTOWN, PLEASE REFER TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS WORSHIP GUIDE FOR INFORMATION ON WAYS TO GIVE.

All I Have Is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way,
the sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave.

I had no hope that you would own a rebel to your will,
and if you had not loved me first, I would refuse you still.

But as I ran my hell-bound race, indifferent to the cost,
you looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross.
And I beheld God's love displayed; you suffered in my place,
you bore the wrath reserved for me; now all I know is grace.

Chorus:

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ! Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!
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Now, Lord, I would be yours alone, and live so all might see
the strength to follow your commands could never come from me.

O Father, use my ransomed life in any way you choose,
and let my song forever be: My only boast is you.

Chorus

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Benediction

Jude 20-21 (ESV)

May the Lord build up your most holy faith and prayer, in the love of God, as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life.

Worship Music Leaders

Luke Brodine – Director

Amber Buehrle – Piano

Susan Katz – Cello

KC Kom – Guitar, Vocals

Caroline Lucas – Percussion

Christina Wert – Vocals

James Wert – Vocals

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children's Ministry Summer Happenings

Intown Children's Ministry has a number of great offerings for you and your children this summer.

Backyard Bible Club Kits - Register for a kit to host an event in your neighborhood. Available by May 31.

Summer Park Days - Connect and play with families at a local park. June 6, July 25, August 8, August 22.

Family Olympics - Get ready for the Paris Olympics. On June 15 both parents and kids can come complete Olympic style challenges.

Tiny Tennis - Register your little one for two tiny tennis lessons this summer on June 20 and July 11. Ages 3-5 only.

Summer Fun Day - Save the date for our end-of-summer/back-to-school celebration on August 4 hosted on the back lawn of the church.

Contact Kelly Bell (kelly@intown.org) for more information about any of these events and register at intown.org/events.

Atlanta Summer RUF

College students! The first college student gathering of Atlanta Summer RUF will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 23, at the Intown Coffeehouse. Jointly hosted by Emory RUF and Intown, the evening will feature worship, teaching, discussion, fellowship, and DINNER provided by the DeLormes' community group! Whether you're here all year or just home for the summer, come enjoy a time to connect and grow with other students. Questions? Contact tricia@intown.org.

Young Adults

Intown Young Adults' next gathering is on Monday, May 13, at 7:00 p.m. at the Coffeehouse. Dinner will be served, and the Buehrles have arranged for us to hear from some church members on the topic of "Faith and Work", followed by discussion.

There will also be a Young Adult picnic on Memorial Day at the home of Lance and Sutton Boling. If you're in your 20's/early 30's, new to Intown/Atlanta or have been here for a while, we'd love to have you join us! Questions? Contact Tricia Agan (tricia@intown.org).

We're glad you joined us for worship today!

For questions about any Intown ministry, please visit
our website at intown.org
or call the church office at 404.633.8077.



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