WORSHIP RESOURCE
September 27, 2026 | 18th Sunday after Pentecost

JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE
Words by Henry Van Dyke (1852-1933)
Music by Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

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.

All Thy works with joy surround Thee, earth and heaven reflect Thy rays; stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea.
Chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in Thee.

Mortals join the happy chorus which the morning stars began;
Father love is reigning o'er us, brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife.
Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

ONLY A HOLY GOD
Words and Music by Michael Farren, Jonny Robinson, Dustin Smith, and Rich Thompson, 2016

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven?
Who else could make every king bow down?
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles? Only a holy God.

What other beauty demands such praises?
What other splendor outshines the sun?
What other majesty rules with justice? Only a holy God.

Come and behold him, the One and the Only. Cry out, sing holy, forever a holy God. Come and worship the holy God.

What other glory consumes like fire? What other power can raise the dead? What other name remains undefeated? Only a holy God.

Who else could rescue me from my failing? Who else would offer his only son? Who else invites me to call him Father? Only a holy God.

BE THOU MY VISION
Ancient Irish Poem | Traditional Irish Melody

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art. Thou my best thought by day or by night;
Waking or sleeping, thy presence, my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord. Thou my great Father, I thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise; Thou mine inheritance, now and always. Thou and thou only, first in my heart:
High King of heaven, my treasure, thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won; may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

REDEEMED BY THE BLOOD OF THE LAMB
Words and Music by David Gentiles, Melanie Tierce, Sean Carter, and Will Yates, 2018

I went down to the crimson river, left my burdens on the shore.
I went down a sinner, came up a saint,
died with Christ, now I'm reborn.

Yes, he washed me in his mercy and he cleansed me with his blood.
Now I stand complete, I have been set free.
I found life there in the flood.

Not the same, I am changed, redeemed by the blood of the Lamb.
By his grace I am saved. I'm his child, forever, I am.
Hallelujah, redeemed by the blood of the Lamb.

Now I have the living water from the well that won't run dry. All the pangs of life have been satisfied by the precious blood of Christ.

When it's time to cross that river I will shine in glorious light. When he calls me home, I'll fall at his throne, and forever worship Christ.

DAILY READINGS | BOOK OF COMMON WORSHIP

SUNDAY | Ps. 108; Hosea 1:1-2:1; James 3:1-13; Matthew 13:44-52
MONDAY | Ps. 62; Hosea 2:2-15; Acts 20:17-38; Luke 5:1-11
TUESDAY | Ps. 12; Hosea 2:16-23; Acts 21:1-14; Luke 5:12-26
WEDNESDAY | Ps. 96; Hosea 3:1-5; Acts 21:15-26; Luke 5:27-39
THURSDAY | Ps. 26; Hosea 4:1-10; Acts 21:27-36; Luke 6:1-11
FRIDAY | Ps. 25; Hosea 4:11-19; Acts 21:37-22:16; Luke 6:12-26
SATURDAY | Ps. 90; Hosea 5:1-7; Acts 22:17-29; Luke 6:27-38

PRAYER OF RENEWAL

Lord Jesus, help us never to question your authority, but humbly submit to your sovereign care over our lives. By your grace, may we do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but, in humility, regard others as better than ourselves. May we not look to our own interests, but to the interests of others. Give us your mind, your heart, and your desires. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

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GREAT ARE YOU LORD

Words and Music by David Leonard, Jason Ingram,
and Leslie Jordan, 2012

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

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.

And all the earth will shout Your praise.
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing, Great are You, Lord. (3x)