



## **Sunday Worship - June 20, 2021**

Prelude - Jason McDougall

Welcome and Announcements

Unison Reading: Psalm 1:1-13

**The truly happy person  
doesn't follow wicked advice,  
doesn't stand on the road of sinners,  
and doesn't sit with the disrespectful.**

**Instead of doing those things,  
these persons love the Lord's Instruction,  
and they recite God's Instruction day and night!**

**They are like a tree replanted by streams of water,  
which bears fruit at just the right time  
and whose leaves don't fade.  
Whatever they do succeeds.**

### Hymn of Promise

In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;  
in cocoons, a hidden promise; butterflies will soon be free!  
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,  
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;  
there's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me.  
From the past will come the future; what it holds a mystery,  
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning, in our time, infinity;  
in our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity.  
In our death, a resurrection; at the last a victory,  
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

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## **Scripture:** Genesis 2:4-17

**4** This is the account of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

### **World's creation in the garden**

On the day the Lord God made earth and sky— **5** before any wild plants appeared on the earth, and before any field crops grew, because the Lord God hadn't yet sent rain on the earth and there was still no human being<sup>[a]</sup> to farm the fertile land, **6** though a stream rose from the earth and watered all of the fertile land— **7** the Lord God formed the human<sup>[b]</sup> from the topsoil of the fertile land<sup>[c]</sup> and blew life's breath into his nostrils. The human came to life. **8** The Lord God planted a garden in Eden in the east and put there the human he had formed. **9** In the fertile land, the Lord God grew every beautiful tree with edible fruit, and also he grew the tree of life in the middle of the garden and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

**10** A river flows from Eden to water the garden, and from there it divides into four headwaters. **11** The name of the first river is the Pishon. It flows around the entire land of Havilah, where there is gold. **12** That land's gold is pure, and the land also has sweet-smelling resins and gemstones. <sup>[d]</sup> **13** The name of the second river is the Gihon. It flows around the entire land of Cush. **14** The name of the third river is the Tigris, flowing east of Assyria; and the name of the fourth river is the Euphrates.

**15** The Lord God took the human and settled him in the garden of Eden to farm it and to take care of it. **16** The Lord God commanded the human, "Eat your fill from all of the garden's trees; **17** but don't eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, because on the day you eat from it, you will die!"

Kid's Message

**Planting: The God Who Gardens** - Pastor Lesli McGowan

### In the Garden

1. I come to the garden alone  
while the dew is still on the roses,  
and the voice I hear falling on my ear  
the Son of God discloses.

#### **Refrain:**

And he walks with me, and he talks with me,  
and he tells me I am his own;  
and the joy we share as we tarry there,  
none other has ever known.

2. He speaks, and the sound of his voice,  
is so sweet the birds hush their singing,  
and the melody that he gave to me  
within my heart is ringing. **(Refrain)**

3. I'd stay in the garden with him  
though the night around me be falling,  
but he bids me go; thru the voice of woe  
his voice to me is calling. **(Refrain)**

### Prayers of the People

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### Benediction

Song of Hope (Heaven Come Down)

**Verse 1**

All things bright and beautiful You are  
All things wise and wonderful You are  
In my darkest night You brighten up the  
skies  
A song will rise

**Chorus**

(I will) (Oh) sing a song of hope sing along  
God of heaven come down  
Heaven come down  
Just to know that You are near is enough  
God of heaven come down  
Heaven come down (yeah)

**Verse 2**

All things new I can start again  
Creator God calling me Your friend  
Sing praise my soul to the Maker of the  
skies  
A song will rise     **to Chorus**

**Bridge**

Hallelujah  
Hallelujah sing sing  
Oh hallelujah sing     **to Chorus X2**

**Chorus 2**

Oh sing a song of hope sing along  
God of heaven come down  
Heaven come down  
Just to know You and be loved is enough  
God of heaven come down  
Heaven come down yeah

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