

COVENANT CHURCH OF THOMASTON

*Passionately Pursuing Jesus
Sacrificially Serving Our Neighbor*



May 18, 2025
Worship 10:00 am
“Eternal Matters”
1 Timothy 6:7-10 and 17-19

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Our mission
is to go and be living evidence of God's love
by the transforming power of his forgiveness and grace.

PRELUDE Tricia Dunn Oporto and Brenda Tousignant
WELCOME AND LIFE TOGETHER

CALL TO WORSHIP Build My Life

(verse 1)

Worthy of every song we could ever sing,
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring,
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe,
We live for you, oh, we live for you

(verse 2)

Jesus, the Name above every other name,
Jesus, the only One who could ever save,
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe,
We live for you; we live for you.

(chorus)

Holy! There is no one like you.
There is none beside you.
Open up my eyes in wonder and
Show me who you are and fill me
with your heart, and lead me
in your love to those around me.

Instrumental

(repeat verse 2)

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Instrumental

(bridge)

And I will build my life upon your love.
It is a firm foundation.

I will put my trust in you alone,
And I will not be shaken.

(bridge)

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(chorus)

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Graves into Gardens

(verse 1)

I searched the world
but it couldn't fill me.
Man's empty praise
and treasures that fade
are never enough.

Then you came along
and put me back together,

And every desire
is now satisfied
here in your love.

(chorus)

Oh, there's nothing better than you.
Oh, there's nothing better than you.
Lord, there's nothing -
nothing is better than you.

(verse 2)

I'm not afraid
to show you my weakness,
My failures and flaws,
Lord, you've seen them all,
and you still call me friend.

'Cause the God of the mountain
is the God of the valley.
There's not a place
your mercy and grace
won't find me again.

(chorus)

Oh, there's nothing better than you.
Oh, there's nothing better than you.
Lord, there's nothing -
nothing is better than you.

(chorus)

Oh, there's nothing better than you.
Oh, there's nothing better than you.
Lord, there's nothing -
nothing is better than you.

(bridge 1)

You turn mourning to dancing. • • • •
You give beauty for ashes. • • • •
You turn shame into glory!
You're the only one who can!

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(bridge 2)

You turn graves into gardens. • • • •
You turn bones into armies. • • • •
You turn seas into highways.
You're the only one who can.
You're the only one who can.

(chorus)

Oh, there's nothing better than you.
Oh, there's nothing better than you.
Lord, there's nothing -
nothing is better than you.

(chorus)

Oh, there's nothing better than you.
Oh, there's nothing better than you.
Lord, there's nothing -
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(bridge 2)

You turn graves into gardens. • • • •
You turn bones into armies. • • • •
You turn seas into highways.
You're the only one who can.
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(ending)

You're the only one who can!

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PRAYER OF ADORATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts, debtors)

HEAR AND RESPOND TO THE WORD Jessica Bedosky
Matthew 6:19-24

Leader:

Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where
moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and
steal.

Congregation:

**But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where
moths
and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not
break in and steal.**

Leader:

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Congregation:

**The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are healthy,
your whole body will be full of light.**

Leader:

But if your eyes are unhealthy, your whole body will be full of
darkness.

Congregation:

**If then the light within you is darkness, how great is that
darkness!**

Leader:

No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one
and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and
despise the other.

Congregation

You cannot serve both God and money.

Leader:

This is the word of the Lord.

Congregation:

Thanks be to God!

Hymn #412 (v. 1, 3, 4)

Be Thou My Vision

**OFFERING – GIVE AS THE LORD LEADS YOU, WITH OPEN HANDS
AND ALL YOUR HEART**

Offertory: Tricia Dunn Oporto and Brenda Tousignant

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Karen Anticoli

SERMON

Pastor Stephanie Nelson

“Eternal Matters”

1 Timothy 6:7-10 and 17-19

***SENDING SONG The Lord’s Prayer (It’s Yours)**

(chorus)

Father, let your Kingdom come.

Father, let your will be done

On Earth as in Heaven,

Right here in my heart.

(chorus)

Father, let your Kingdom come.

Father, let your will be done

On Earth as in Heaven,

Right here in my heart.

(verse)

Give us this day our daily bread.

Forgive us; Forgive us.

As we forgive the ones who sinned
against us. Forgive them.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliv - er us from the evil one.

Let your kingdom come.

(chorus)

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Father, let your will be done

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Right here in my heart.

(chorus)

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(bridge 1)

It's yours! It's yours!

All yours! All yours.

The kingdom, the power,
the glory are yours.

It's yours! It's yours!

All yours! All yours!

Forev - er and ev - er
the kingdom is yours.

(bridge 2)

It's yours (it's yours)!

It's yours (it's yours)!

All yours (all yours)!

All yours (all yours).

The kingdom, the power,
the glory are yours.

It's yours (it's yours)!

It's yours (it's yours)!

All yours (all yours)!

All yours (all yours)!

Forev - er and ev - er
the kingdom is yours!

(chorus)

Father, let your Kingdom come.

Father, let your will be done

On Earth as in Heaven,

Right here in my heart.

(chorus)

Father, let your Kingdom come.

Father, let your will be done

On Earth as in Heaven,

Right here in my heart.

(tag)

On Earth as in Heaven, right here in my heart.

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE** Tricia Dunn Oporto and Brenda Tousignant

• **TODAY**

9:00 am Sunday School / D/C

10:00 am Worship

Nursery: *Courtney Ayer* / Screen Monitor: *Cathy Fredlund*

11:15 am Coffee Fellowship (Fellowship Room)

4:00 am CHYG – Mother/Daughter Mini-Retreat

• **THIS WEEK**

Mon. 10:30 am 39ers Study (Fellowship Room)

6:30 pm Walking Nystrom's Track

6:30 pm Tres Dias Secretariat (Fellowship Room)

7:00 pm Zoom Prayer

Tue. 9:30 am Women's Study (Conference Room)

5:00 pm Prayer (church office)

Wed. 6:30 pm NA (Fellowship Room)

Fri. 6:00 pm Crafty Fridays (Potter's House)

Sat. 9:30 am "Chosen" Group (Esme's & Ruby's)

Sun. 9:00 am Sunday School / D/C

10:00 am Worship

• **Zoom Prayer**: Monday nights, 7:00-7:30 pm. Contact Jessica Bedosky or Ruth Johnson

(cmouse@covchurchthomaston.org) for the Zoom link.

• **WM Book Club** The group next meets on Thursday, May 29, at 6:30 pm at Cathy Fredlund's. The book to read is *Peace Like a River* by Leif Enger.

• **NIGHT OF HOPE** at the Opera House: Several Thomaston churches and their Worship Teams will join together on Friday night, May 30, at 7:00 pm to worship and sing and raise funds for the Town Pantry. Contact: Glenn Hafele.

• **COFFEE FELLOWSHIP AFTER WORSHIP** is hosted by the boards (CE, M&E, Trustees and Diaconate), Women Ministries, and the Social Committee. Each group hosts two months per year. If you want to sign up to host a particular Sunday, a

clipboard is on the Kitchen counter. Food and beverages are provided by the church, so only setup, serving, and cleanup are needed.

• **BENEVOLENCE NEEDS**: Small envelopes are in the pews so you can contribute to help those who need basic necessities. If you have a benevolence need, contact Pastor Stephanie (pastor@covchurchthomaston.org or 860-283-9146) or John Butkevich or Linda Lawrence.

• **GIVING MADE EASY**: Give online in two minutes. Opt for one time, weekly or monthly donations. Open the camera app on your phone and scan the QR Code, which takes you to the Giving Page on our website.

Covenant Church of Thomaston
Giving Page QR Code



• **BANQUET OF BLESSING**

- Need: mac-n-cheese (The kind that doesn't need to add milk & butter), soups, albacore tuna, chunky peanut butter, grape jelly, gallon storage bags, tissues.
- No perishable foods. Check expiration dates: We don't give away out-of-date food.