



# Taiwan Harmony Friends Church

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Jesus Loves You  
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(Oh Jesus) \*2 For all the days of my life  
I will worship and seek Your face  
I will gaze on the beauty of the Lord, my King  
You're the reason that I sing  
You're my joy, my everything

### ☞Responsive Reading: **Psalm 89:5, 8, 11-15**

- 5 The heavens praise your wonders, LORD, your faithfulness too, in the assembly of the holy ones.
- 8 Who is like you, LORD God Almighty? You, LORD, are mighty, and your faithfulness surrounds you.
- 11 The heavens are yours, and yours also the earth; you founded the world and all that is in it.
- 12 You created the north and the south; Tabor and Hermon sing for joy at your name.
- 13 Your arm is endowed with power; your hand is strong, your right hand exalted.
- 14 Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; love and faithfulness go before you.
- 15 Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim you, who walk in the light of your presence, LORD.

### ☞Praise

- ✠讚美耶穌 **Praise Him! Praise Him!**
- ♪ Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Jesus, our blessed engraved Redeemer!  
Sing, O Earth, His wonderful love proclaim!  
Hail Him! hail Him! highest archangels in glory;  
Strength and honor give to His holy Name!  
Like a shepherd, Jesus will guard His children,  
In His arms He carries them all day long: (Refrain)
- ♪ Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Jesus, our blessed engraved Redeemer!  
For our sins He suffered, and bled, and died.  
He our Rock, our hope of eternal salvation,  
Hail Him! hail Him! Jesus the Crucified.  
Sound His praises! Jesus who bore our sorrows,  
Love unbounded, wonderful, deep and strong.  
(Refrain)  
(Praise Him!x2) Tell of His excellent greatness.  
(Praise Him!x2) Ever in joyful song!

### ☞Special Music

- ✠你，豈不知道 **Have you not known**
- ♪ (Have you not known,  
have you not heard that the savior,  
creator of the earth does not faint?  
He does not sleep.  
He gives power to the weak.)\*3
- ♪ Have you not known,  
have you not heard that the savior,  
creator of the earth offers hope, offers peace?  
Run to those in need.
- ♪ Have you not known? This is our God.  
Even the young grow weary.  
Even the strong will fail.  
We will rise up as eagles for God always prevails.  
We'll run and not grow weary.  
We'll walk never faint.

☞ Prelude	.....	Choir
☞ Invocation	.....	Presider
☞ Praise	.....	Congregation
☞ Responsive Reading	.....	Congregation
☞ Prayer	.....	Presider
☞ Special Music	.....	Choir
☞ Scripture Reading	.....	Presider
☞ Message	.....	Pastor
☞ Responsive Hymn	.....	Presider
☞ Offertory	.....	Pastor
☞ Holy Communion	.....	Pastor
☞ Announcement	.....	Presider
☞ The Lord's Prayer	.....	Congregation
☞ Doxology	.....	Congregation
☞ Benediction	.....	Pastor
☞ Postlude	.....	Congregation

### ☞Prelude

☞**Invocation:** In the name of the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit, we worship together on this Sunday Morning.

For Chinese Pinyin lyrics, please scan:



### ✠真是快樂日 **What a Joyful Day**

- ♪ What a joyful day I sing praises to Him every day  
What a joyful day living for my Lord
- ♪ What a joyful day everything becomes better  
To live with His promise I lean on day and night

### ✠震動天地 **Shake the Heaven and Earth**

- ♪ Hallelujah celebrate, Hallelujah shout for joy  
For you have won the victory  
Hallelujah celebrate, Hallelujah shout for joy  
For you have risen from the grave
- ♪ Lord, come again in power  
Lord, come and shake the heaven and earth  
Let every tribe and tongue return to you  
Lord, come again in glory  
Your glory fills the earth  
Your peace and blessings rain upon our land

### ✠一生一世 **All the Days of My Life**

- ♪ My Jesus How I Love You  
By Your grace I can worship You  
You gave Your life. To make a way for me  
So I can come to the house of the Lord
- ♪ (Oh Jesus) \*2 You delight in the song that I sing

For all who wait upon the Lord  
(shall renew their strength.)\*3

- ♪ Have you not known,  
have you not heard that the savior,  
creator of the earth takes our guilt, takes our shame?  
And he calls us by his name.  
Sinners now reclaimed.
- ♪ Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
(This is our God.)\*3

### 🔗Scripture Reading:

#### **Matthew 11:25-30** (NIV)

**25** At that time Jesus said, "Father, Lord of heaven and earth, I thank you because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children.

**26** Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do.

**27** "All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

**28** "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

**29** Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

**30** For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

### **Sermon: Gratitude in Everything (Part 2)**

- Pastor Dong

Few people are truly grateful, let alone finding it easy to give thanks in everything!

But God calls us to the highest level: to give thanks in everything!

#### **Matthew 11:16-24**

**16** "To what can I compare this generation? They are like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling out to others:

**17** "'We played the pipe for you, and you did not dance;

we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.'

**18** For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.'

**19** The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.' But wisdom is proved right by her deeds."

**20** Then Jesus began to denounce the towns in which most of his miracles had been performed, because they did not repent.

**21** "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida!

For if the miracles that were performed in you had been performed in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.

**22** But I tell you, it will be more bearable for Tyre and Sidon on the day of judgment than for you.

**23** And you, Capernaum, will you be lifted to the heavens? No, you will go down to Hades. For if the miracles that were performed in you had been performed in Sodom, it would have remained to this day.

**24** But I tell you that it will be more bearable for Sodom on the day of judgment than for you."

How can we give thanks in everything?

#### **I. Recognize the truth - Matthew 11:16-24**

Understand the truth of this generation:

How much Jesus and the saints love people, leading them from death to eternal life.

Yet this is an age that frustrates evangelists, a swiftly declining age - where deception leads, disbelief prevails, a time destined for a more fearful judgment!

#### **II. See the revelation - Matthew 11:25-27**

Revelation: Humans cannot understand God's revealed wisdom -

God's revealed mysteries! Focus on God's wisdom - God's revealed mysteries (revelation)

See God's ingenious, wise, righteous rewards and punishments!

#### **III. See what we have - Matthew 11:27**

See what God gives us.

Your heart will be satisfied, abundant, filled with gratitude, moved, and thankful to God!

This is the key to giving thanks in everything, the key to seeing God's revelation!

Key choice: Look to God every day for your calling, heritage, and abilities!

#### **IV. Gentleness and humility - Matthew 11:28-30**

The way out: Come before the Lord Jesus and imitate His gentleness and humility. What is "gentleness and humility"?

**1.** Openly, objectively, and warmly embrace Jesus and the gospel - **Matthew 11:17-24**

**2.** Believe in God - no matter what the situation, persist in believing in Him, praising Him, thanking Him - **Matthew 11:25**

This way, our hearts will be light and restful, and "giving thanks in everything" will naturally arise!

Choosing this attitude, faith, and mindset of "giving thanks in everything" makes one joyful and sunny, full of hope throughout life. All worries, sorrows, and unexpected dangers cannot take away their peace and joy.

"Giving thanks in everything" also walks their heart with God, their mouth constantly praising and thanking God. Their faith in God comforts Him, strengthens and builds those around them, letting those around who have not believed in the Lord see the beauty of the Kingdom of Heaven!

### ☞ Responsive Hymn

✪ 主 我感謝祢 I thank you, Lord

♪ I thank you, Lord, for the trials that come my way  
In that way I can grow each day, as I let you lead  
And thank you, Lord.

For the patience those trails bring  
In that process of growing. I can learn to care.

♪ [But it goes against the way I am  
To put my human nature down  
And let the spirit take control of all I do  
'Cause when those trails come  
My human nature shouts the thing to do.  
And God's soft prompting can be easily ignored.]

♪ I thank you, Lord. With each trail I feel inside  
That you're there to help lead and guide me away  
from wrong. 'Cause you promise, Lord  
That with every testing that your way of escaping  
Is easier to bear [ ]

♪ I thank you, Lord.  
For the victory that growing brings  
In surrender of everything life is so worthwhile  
And I thank you, Lord.

That when everything is put in place.

Out in front I can see Your face.  
and it's there you belong [ ]

♪ And let me hear You and respond to you, oh Lord

### ☞ Offertory

### ☞ Holy Communion

### ☞ Baptism

### ☞ Announcement

1. **Watercolor Sketch Exhibit – Hope:** This exhibit is on Saturdays (9 AM - 9 PM) and Sundays (8 AM - 1 PM) in July at the 1st-floor Friendship Corner. The artwork shows the beauty of eternal life. Feel free to invite your family and friends to come and enjoy.

2. **Professor Hippo's Secret Recipes:** On Saturday, July 13th, at 2 PM, Professor Zhang Wenliang will give a talk on the 4th floor. Everyone is welcome to come and bring their friends.

3. **Maker Camp – Summer Amusement Park:** On Sundays, July 14th, 21st, and 28th, at 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM, there will be a fun camp on the 3rd and 5th floors where kids can make their own moving carousel. This is for kids ages 3 to 5th grade who can join by themselves.

4. **Photography Exhibit: Shirakawa-go Village by Huang Yaoxian:** From Sunday, July 21st to Friday, August 2nd, come to the 1st-floor Cloud Room to see beautiful photos of Shirakawa-go Village in Japan. There will be VR tours too. Invite your family and friends to see God's amazing creation.

5. **Bible Reading Plan for This Week:** We are reading Isaiah chapters 4 to 6. Check out the Harmony Church website (<http://www.ctfhc.org>) to watch "Bible Keys" and "Bible is Awesome."

### ☞ The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed by Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

### ☞ Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

### ☞ Benediction

May the grace from Lord Jesus, the love from our heavenly Father and the guiding of Holy Spirit be with all of our brothers & sisters from now on and forevermore.

*Today, our worship service together is coming to an end. Emmanuel! May our good Lord bless you!*