

## Sermon Series: My Hometown

My Hometown focuses on Jesus's ministry in his "adult hometown". We often assume Jesus did much of his ministry in a big city like Jerusalem. What light does it shed to realize so much of what Jesus did was in his small hometown? What does that say to us about our ministry in Gahanna, Ohio?

## Welcome to Worship/Ministry Minute

### Call to Worship:

We gather together to worship the living Spirit

**Be at work in the world around us.**

We gather together to worship the ascended King

**Be at work in the world around us.**

We gather together to worship the boundless God

**Be at work in the world around us.**

### Song: I'm So Blessed

I'm so blessed. Hallelujah, I'm blessed. (2x)

Trouble knocking at my door today,  
I ain't gonna let it in.

And worry wanna steal my joy away,  
But I ain't gonna let it win.

### Pre-Chorus:

**'Cause on my best day, I'm a child of God.**

**On my worst day, I'm a child of God.**

**Oh, every day is a good day**

**And You're the reason why.**

### Chorus:

**I'm so blessed, I'm so blessed.**

**Got this heartbeat in my chest.**

**No it doesn't matter about the rest.**

**If I got You Lord, I'm so blessed.**

I'm so blessed. Hallelujah, I'm blessed. (2x)

And when I count the problems that I see,  
Hope looks all but gone.  
But when I count the ways You're good to me,  
You got me counting all day long.

### Chorus (2x)

### Pre-Chorus (2x)

### Chorus

I'm so blessed. Hallelujah, I'm blessed. (4x)

## Prayer of the Day

Holy Lord, we continue to listen for Your call, knowing the call is strongest for those in need. Help us to act with mercy and justice, for we know through Jesus' words this is Your desire. You gave Your only son a mortal life so we may live forever, and for that sacrifice we are eternally grateful. Help us to show this gratitude through our love of Your boundless creation. Where we lack understanding, open our eyes so we may see. We are one people, one body in Christ; Amen.

## Song: We Are One

We are one body, we are one spirit,  
We are one people in Christ.  
The eyes to see, the ears to hear,  
We are one people in Christ.

The eye cannot say to the hand,  
"I don't need you," because I need You.  
The head cannot say to the feet,  
"I don't need you," because I need You.

We are one body, we are one spirit,  
We are one people in Christ.  
The hands to feel, the tongue to taste,  
We are one people in Christ.

And when we think we are alone,  
Lord, we need You, yes we need You.  
To guide us, to help us, to love.  
Lord we need You, yes we need You.

We are one body, we are one spirit,  
We are one people in Christ.  
All are worthy, all are loved.  
We are one people in Christ.

We are one body, we are one spirit,  
We are one people in Christ.  
We all have a part, important to the whole.  
We are one people in Christ. (3x)

## Reading: Matthew 9:9-13

**Sermon:** Calling the Unlikely  
Pastor Tony Katko

## Song: Calling You

If you listen with your heart  
You can hear the voice of God.  
Calling and guiding you.  
A gentle rushing wind,  
The Spirit leads you on  
To the place where God needs you.

**Go to the poor, go to the needy,  
Go to the downtrodden, weary, alone.  
Go to the outcasts, go to the broken,  
For there you'll find the voice of God.**

The voice of God grows louder  
In the presence of a stranger,  
Someone who needs your love.  
Once you start to listen  
There is no turning back.  
You have heard the call of the One.

**Chorus:**

**Go to the poor, go to the needy,  
Go to the downtrodden, weary, alone.  
Go to the outcasts, go to the broken,  
For there you'll find the voice of God.**

**So turn over tables, challenge the rich,  
Make worlds move, even only an inch.  
Break broken systems, create something new.  
The voice of God is calling you!**

The call is in hunger.  
The call is in sick.  
The call is a need from a weary soul.  
The voice is a whisper  
Calling for more  
Louder and louder and louder and louder  
It transforms to a roar.

**Chorus**

**Prayers of Intercession**

**Holy Communion/The Lord's Prayer/Offering**

**Song: Blessed Assurance**

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine.  
Oh, what a foretaste of glory, divine.  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God.  
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Perfect submission, all is at rest.  
I and the Savior am happy and blessed.  
Watching and waiting, looking above.  
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

**Chorus:**

**This is my story. This is my song.  
Praising my Savior all the day long.  
(2x)**

Oh, what a Savior. Wonderful Jesus. (6x)  
Death could not hold You.  
You are victorious. Grace, to the risen King.

**Chorus**

**Grow. Serve. Give.**

**Doxology**

We offer up our gifts,  
Our time, talents, and treasures.  
To You we freely give, our lives.  
To grow with You, serve for You,  
Give to You,  
This is an offering of love.

**Song: One Day**

One day there'll be no more waiting left for our souls.  
One day there'll be no more children longing for home.  
One day when the kingdom comes right here where we stand.  
We will see the promise land, mm hmm.  
One day there'll be no more lives taken too soon.

One day there'll be no more need for a hospital room.  
One day every tear that falls will be wiped by His hand.  
We will see the promised land, mm hmm.

**Chorus:**

**Hallelujah, there will be healing,  
From this heart break we've been feeling.  
We'll sing in the darkest night,  
'cause we know that the light will come.  
And there will be healing, Hallelujah!(2x)**

One day every knee will bow, every tongue will confess.  
One day when our tired and weary bones find their rest.  
One day when the power of evil's brought to an end,  
We will see the promised land. (2x)

**Chorus**

**Sending Words:**

Go out in the world so you may find the people of God  
at work. Go in Peace.

**Thanks be to God!**

**Altar Flowers**

**Sanctuary:** To the Glory of God by Steve and Dee Snavelly

**Christmas In July | Thursday, July 25th**

Join us this year for Christmas in July (Thursday, July 25th)! We are going to Christmas Carol and throw a few parties at our local Gahanna retirement and nursing facilities. This is a huge hit with residents, and brings much needed cheer at a time of year when visits and group activities are down. We are also looking for Christmas Cookie donations to hand out. If you are able to donate, please sign up using the link below. Please sign up on our website so we can plan and schedule our visits!

**Important Conversations | Let's talk parenting  
TODAY Sunday, July 21, 12:15-1:15pm**

In April, Peace member Kristina Walsh, LPCC, talked with a group of parents about coping skills for kids. We want to continue the conversation and draw on Kristina's wealth of knowledge/experience as a counselor who has worked supporting children and families. Come ready for a great conversation and feel free to bring questions! We will gather together for Peace Community lunch after the 10:30am worship service (around 11:45am) before our meeting.

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