### Why Do We Sing?



### Exodus 15:1-21

Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the LORD, saying, "I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.<sup>2</sup> The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him. <sup>3</sup> The LORD is a man of war; the LORD is his name.

4 "Pharaoh's chariots and his host he cast into the sea, and his chosen officers were sunk in the Red Sea. <sup>5</sup> The floods covered them; they went down into the depths like a stone. <sup>6</sup> Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power, your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.

<sup>7</sup> In the greatness of your majesty you overthrow your adversaries; you send out your fury; it consumes them like stubble.
<sup>8</sup> At the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up; the floods stood up in a heap; the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea.

<sup>9</sup> The enemy said, 'I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil, my desire shall have its fill of them. I will draw my sword; my hand shall destroy them.' <sup>10</sup> You blew with your wind; the sea covered them; they sank like lead in the mighty waters.

<sup>11</sup> "Who is like you, O LORD, among the gods? Who is like you, majestic in holiness, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders? <sup>12</sup> You stretched out your right hand; the earth swallowed them. <sup>13</sup> "You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.

<sup>14</sup> The peoples have heard; they tremble; pangs have seized the inhabitants of Philistia. <sup>15</sup> Now are the chiefs of Edom dismayed; trembling seizes the leaders of Moab; all the inhabitants of Canaan have melted away.

<sup>16</sup> Terror and dread fall upon them; because of the greatness of your arm, they are still as a stone, till your people, O LORD, pass by, till the people pass by whom you have purchased. <sup>17</sup> You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain, the place, O LORD, which you have made for your abode, the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established.

18 The LORD will reign forever and ever." <sup>19</sup> For when the horses of Pharaoh with his chariots and his horsemen went into the sea, the LORD brought back the waters of the sea upon them, but the people of Israel walked on dry ground in the midst of the sea.

<sup>20</sup> Then Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a tambourine in her hand, and all the women went out after her with tambourines and dancing.<sup>21</sup> And Miriam sang to them: "Sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea."

We sing to remember what God has done, is doing, and will do for us

## What God Has Done

 $-^{1}$ I will sing to the LORD, for he **has triumphed** gloriously; the horse and his rider he **has thrown** into the sea.

 $-^{13}$  "You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.

## What God Has Done

 $-^{19}$  For when the horses of Pharaoh with his chariots and his horsemen went into the sea, the LORD **brought** back the waters of the sea upon them, but the people of Israel walked on dry ground in the midst of the sea.

## What God is Doing

 $-^{2}$  The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him.

-<sup>11</sup> "Who **is** like you, O LORD, among the gods? Who **is** like you, majestic in holiness, awesome in glorious deeds, **doing** wonders?

## What God Will Do

-<sup>17</sup> You **will bring** them in and plant them on your own mountain, the place, O LORD, which you have made for your abode, the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established. <sup>18</sup> The LORD **will reign** forever and ever."

#### This I Believe (The Creed)

I believe in God our Father I believe in Christ the Son I believe in the Holy Spirit Our God is three in one

# I believe in the resurrection That we will rise again For I believe in the name of Jesus

#### This I Believe (The Creed)

I believe in God our Father I believe in Christ the Son I believe in the Holy Spirit Our God is three in one

# I believe in the resurrection That we will rise again For I believe in the name of Jesus

I believe in life eternal I believe in the virgin birth I believe in the saints' communion And in Your holy Church



# I believe in the resurrection When Jesus comes again For I believe, in the name of Jesus

I believe, in the name of Jesus



## We sing because God gives us joy

# Singing with Joy

-2 Chronicles 29:30 - And Hezekiah the king and the officials commanded the Levites to sing praises to the Lord with the words of David and of Asaph the seer. And they sang praises with gladness, and they bowed down and worshiped.

-Psalm 5:11 - But let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let them ever sing for joy, and spread your protection over them, that those who love your name may exult in you.

# Singing with Joy

-Psalm 27:6 - And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

-Psalm 63:7 - for you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I will sing for joy.

# Singing with Joy

- -Psalm 67:4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.
- -Isaiah 12:6 Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

-Zechariah 2:10 - Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion, for behold, I come and I will dwell in your midst, declares the Lord.

# Singing Opportunities

- Join our praise team practice on Wednesdays at 6:30.
- 2. Share with me or our song leaders a song you want us to sing on Sundays.
- 3. Share a favorite song in general and I'll share it on our church social media.
- 4. Join our multicultural singing opportunities.