

God is Greater Than our Fears

“God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof” (Psalm 46:1–3).

I’m not a doctor, nor a stock broker, government official or prophet. I’m just a pastor, and not even a famous one. Mostly what I do is say a few very important things to a few people over and over again, in different ways. I tell people that Jesus loves us; that He died and rose again for us, even though we don’t deserve it. I remind them that Jesus wants us to believe in Him and to be with Him, now and forever, even though we’ve made a mess of His world and of our own lives.

At the heart of that message is the belief that God is good, compassionate and kind, and that He is in control. He’s bigger than death, bigger than our sin and bigger than things that scare us. I don’t know how any specific situation will turn out, but the Bible tells us that the end of the whole story is very good.

To my friends who don’t know Jesus, I hope you won’t mind me saying I hope you come to know Him. He’s really, really good, and He offers eternal hope in the face of the worst chaos. Friends who do know Him, this is a great time to imitate Him. Jesus told us not to be afraid, but He never laughs at our fears. He knows this world can be scary and confusing, and He extends grace, even to the fearful.

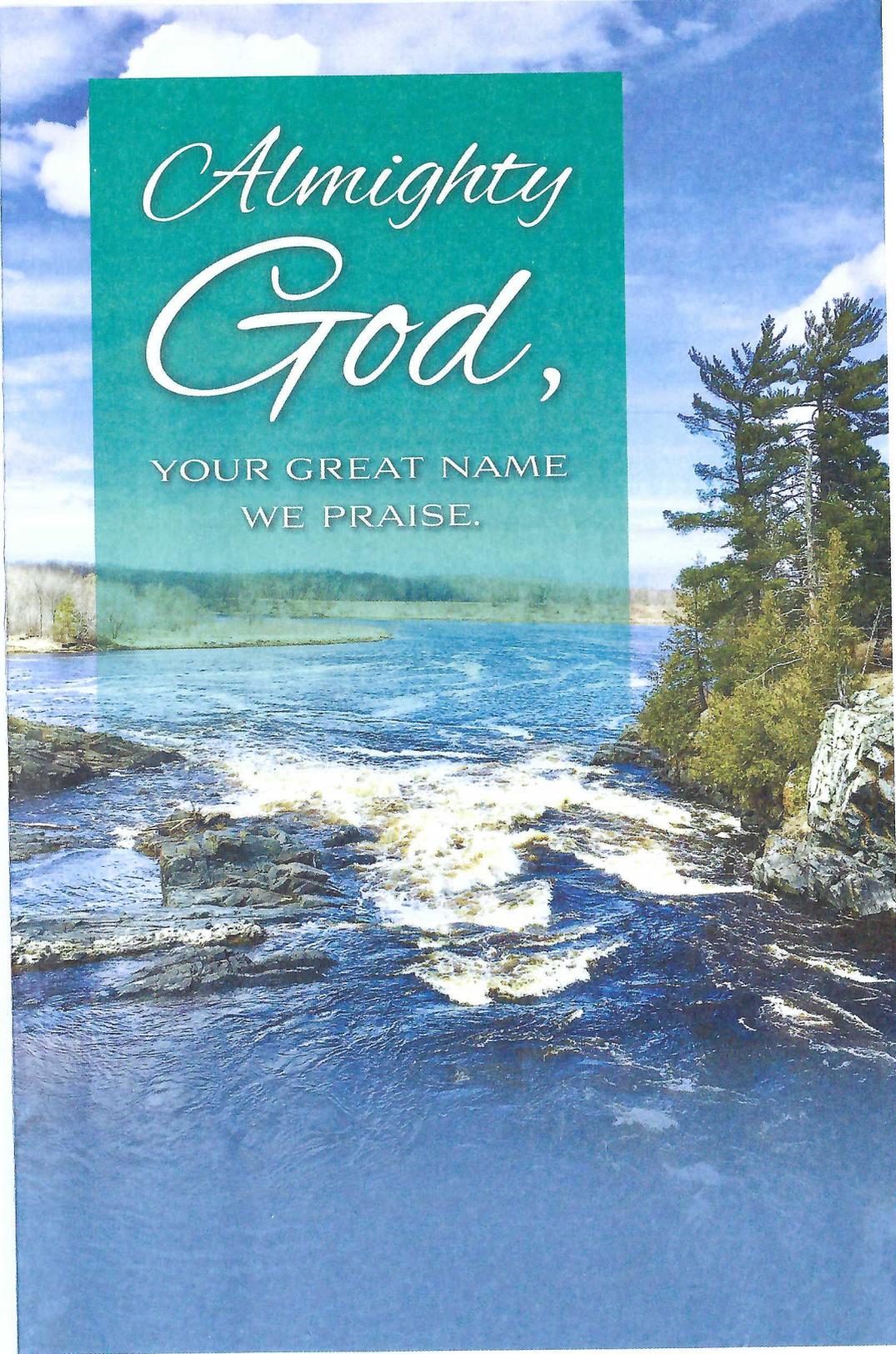
“Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me” (John 14:1). When it seems like the mountains are tumbling into the ocean, we can trust Him. We have a refuge, an ever-present help in time of trouble—a God who knows our fears, our unbelief and our selfishness.

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Almighty God,

YOUR GREAT NAME
WE PRAISE.



Covenant Church

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March 23, 2025

Call to Worship #353 Victory in Jesus *Covenant Choir*

Invocation *Pastor Don Mauldin*

Sing Unto the Lord
Hymn #56 To God Be the Glory

Welcome and Announcements *Ron Marks*
Recognition of Guests
Mission Moment
Birthdays and Anniversaries

Worship in Song
Hymn #572 Blessed Assurance

Offertory Prayer *Craig Alexander*

Offertory *Rose Morgan*

Special Music
Sounds of Hope Just a Closer Walk with Thee

Prayer *Don Mauldin*

Hymn # 356 Redeemed

Hymn #635 In the Garden

Hymn Trivia

#624 His Eye is on the Sparrow

Hymn #147 How Great Thou Art

Hymn # 571 Trust and Obey

Hymn #505 He Touched Me

Hymn #705 It is Well with My Soul

Benediction Prayer *Don Mauldin*

Hymn of Benediction
Hymn #358 Because He Lives

Shine, Shine, Shine!

Covenant Ministries

This month has 5 Sundays so we will be collecting toiletries and paper products for Pine Grove and personal hygiene items for Newberry High School. **They have also requested we provide funds or snacks for them to share with the kids during testing. Snacks need to be prepackaged.**

Our ministry for March is the St. Francis House



We will have Communion next Sunday