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— PRESBYTERIAN —

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## CALL TO WORSHIP - Psalm 119:33-40

**Leader:** *O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!  
Who can utter the mighty deeds of the LORD, or declare his praise?*



**People:** Blessed are they who observe justice,  
who do righteousness at all times! Remember  
me, O LORD, when you show favor to your  
people; help me when you save them, that I may  
look upon the prosperity of your chosen ones,  
that I may rejoice in the gladness of your nation,  
that I may glory with your inheritance.

“No Night There”

*by Hart P. Danks*

In the land of fadeless day  
Lies the city four-square;  
It shall never pass away,  
And there is no night there.

God shall wipe away all tears;  
There's no death, no pain, nor fears;  
And they count not time by years,  
For there is no night there

All the gates of pearl are made,  
    In the city four-square;  
All the streets with gold are laid,  
    And there is no night there.

God shall wipe away all tears;  
There's no death, no pain, nor fears;  
And they count not time by years,  
For there is no night there

And the gates shall never close  
To the city four-square;  
There life's crystal river flows,  
And there is no night there.

God shall wipe away all tears;  
There's no death, no pain, nor fears;  
And they count not time by years,  
For there is no night there



There they need no sunshine bright,  
In that city four-square;  
For the Lamb is all the light,  
And there is no night there.

God shall wipe away all tears;  
There's no death, no pain, nor fears;  
And they count not time by years,  
For there is no night there

# “How Firm a Foundation”

*By Anne Steele, George Keith,  
John Rippon, and Joseph Funk*

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!  
What more can he say than to you he hath said,  
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not I am with you, O be not dismayed  
For I am your God, I will still give you aid  
I'll strengthen you, help you,  
and cause you to stand  
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie  
My grace all-sufficient shall be your supply  
The flames shall not hurt you I only design  
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose  
I will not, I will not desert to its foes  
That soul though all hell  
should endeavor to shake  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake

# PRAYER OF ADORATION



# FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 22:34-40

**Reader:** *This is the Word of the Lord!*

**People:** Thanks be to God!

# CONFESSION OF SIN

**Leader:** *Seek the Lord while he may be found,*

**People:** call upon him while he is near.

**Leader:** *Let the wicked abandon their ways*

**People:** and the unrighteous their thoughts.

**Leader:** *Turn back to the Lord, who will have mercy;*

**People:** to our God who will richly pardon.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**Minister:** *Our help is in the name of the Lord,*

**People:** The maker of heaven and earth!

**Minister:** *O Lord, open our lips,*

**People:** And our mouths will declare Your  
praise!

# 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 Ghost.

Amen.

# “God Be Merciful To Me”

*by Alex Nifong, Elvina M. Hall,  
and John Thomas Grape*



God be merciful to me  
On Thy grace I rest my plea  
Plenteous in compassion Thou  
Blot out my transgressions now  
Wash me make me pure within  
Cleanse O cleanse me from my sin

My transgressions I confess  
Grief and guilt my soul oppress  
I have sinned against Thy grace  
And provoked Thee to Thy face  
I confess Thy judgment just  
Speechless I Thy mercy trust

I am evil born of sin  
Thou desirest truth within  
Thou alone my Savior art  
Teach Thy wisdom to my heart  
Make me pure Thy grace bestow  
Wash me whiter than the snow

Broken humbled to the dust  
By Thy wrath and judgement just  
Let my contrite heart rejoice  
And in gladness hear Thy voice  
From my sins O hide Thy face  
Blot them out in boundless grace

Gracious God my heart renew  
Make my Spirit right and true  
Cast me not away from Thee  
Let Thy Spirit dwell in me  
Thy salvation's joy impart  
Steadfast make my willing heart

Sinners then shall learn from me  
And return O God to Thee  
Savior all my guilt remove  
And my tongue shall sing Thy love  
Touch my silent lips O Lord  
And my mouth shall praise accord

## GREETING

**Leader:** *May the peace of Christ be with you!*

**People:** And also with you!

**Leader:** *Let us share His peace with one another.*

*Children may leave for lesson (ages 4-6).*

# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*As the leader directs, the congregation is invited to pray for those for whom they are burdened.*

*Pray aloud and by name or silently if you prefer.*



Our Father who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen

# SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Judges 1:1-2:5

**Reader:** *This is the Word of the Lord!*

**People:** Thanks be to God!



“Glorious Things of Thee  
Are Spoken”

Words: *John Newton*

*Arrangement: Joshua Bennetch*

Glorious things of thee are spoken  
Zion City of our God.  
He whose word cannot be broken  
Formed thee for his own abode.

On the Rock of Ages founded,  
What can shake thy sure repose?  
With salvation's walls surrounded,  
Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See, the streams of living waters,  
Springing from eternal love,  
Well supply thy sons and daughters,  
And all fear of want remove.



Who can faint while such a river,  
Ever flows thy thirst assuage?  
Grace which like the Lord, the giver,  
Never fails from age to age.

Blest inhabitants of Zion,  
Washed in the Redeemer's blood;  
Jesus whom their souls rely on,  
Makes them kings and priests to God:

'Tis his love his people raises,  
Over self to reign as kings,  
And as priests his solemn praises  
Each for a thank offering brings.

Savior, if of Zion's city,  
I, through grace, a member am,  
Let the world deride or pity,  
I will glory in thy name.

Fading is the worldling's pleasure,  
All his boasted pomp and show;  
Solid joys and lasting treasures  
None but Zion's children know.

# CELEBRATING COMMUNION

**Minister:** *The peace of the Lord be always  
with you.*

**People:** And also with you!

**Minister:** *Lift up your hearts!*

**People:** We lift them up to the Lord!

*Wine is in the outer circles of cups; the inner circle contains grape juice. Gluten-free bread is in its own tray.*

*As the usher directs, please come forward one row at a time to pick up your cups.*

*Please hold your elements until all are served so that we may all partake together, as one body.*



# “In The Valley”

*by Jonathan Robinson, Rich Thompson,  
and Tim Challies*

When the path that I feared  
Is the way He has set  
And I long to give in and retreat  
Still to Jesus I hold  
As I face every step  
For the Lord He will give me His peace

Bless the Lord He will give me His peace  
Bless the Lord He will give me His peace  
And if I should remain in the valley today  
Bless the Lord He will give me His peace

When the road that I tread  
Fills my heart with despair  
And it seems that my grief has no end  
Still to Jesus I hold  
Who will walk with me there  
And the Lord He will give me His strength

Bless the Lord He will give me His strength  
Bless the Lord He will give me His strength  
And if I should remain in the valley today  
Bless the Lord He will give me His strength

On the road that You walked  
With the weight of the cross  
All my pain and my sorrow You held  
So to You I shall hold  
You redeem every loss  
For my Lord You have given Yourself

Bless the Lord for He gives me Himself  
Bless the Lord for he gives me Himself  
And if I should remain in the valley today  
Bless the Lord for He gives me Himself

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## THE SENDING - Jude 21, 24-25

*Keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.*

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