

# Sacred Life

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

*An invitation from God to all humanity to behold and join the story, work, and eternal worship of Jesus.*

Hebrews 4:14-16

Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.



# CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

*A call to acknowledge and forsake sin against God and one another, and an invitation to receive the assurance of a new identity in the finished work of Christ.*

## CONFESSION

TOGETHER

Father, Son, Holy Spirit,

You are the unmatched treasure and the truest hope

You are the ultimate gain in death or in life.

We invite You to shape us and form us.

As Your people for our good and Your glory

Today we invite You to heal our wounds, and help us embrace Your strength in our weakness,

We do not have the ability to carry the weight of our lives.

The death of many dreams has left us disillusioned and consumed with ourselves, making us complacent and apathetic in our desire to live for Your glory.

In trying to make a way for ourselves we have sinned in thought, word and deed against you and others.

In light of Your mercy, Father, forgive us



## ASSURANCE

LEADER

This is the good news:

In the death and resurrection of Christ,

You have the treasure of Jesus in your frail humanity,

Showing that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to you.

God is working everything together for your good, to shape you into the image of Jesus.

His grace is more than sufficient to pay for all your sin, give strength in all your weakness, and revive new passion to live for the glory of God.

TOGETHER

Your law is written on our hearts,

You are our God and we are Your people,

Bend us, break us, and send us.

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;

His mercies never come to an end,

They are new every morning;

Great is the faithfulness of God.

TOGETHER

Thanks be to God!



# **BENEDICTION**

*A blessing from the authority of scripture spoken over the people of God.*

Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

