

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

The holiness of a sinner seems principally to consist in self-abasement,
And in admiring views of Jesus as a complete Savior. (Newton)

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship: Psalm 138.1-3, 8

Leader: I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;
Before the gods I sing your praise;
People: I bow down toward your holy temple
And give thanks to your name
For your steadfast love and your faithfulness,
Leader: For you have exalted above all things
Your name and your word.
People: On the day I called, you answered me;
My strength of soul you increased.
Leader: The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me;
Your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever.
Do not forsake the work of your hands.
People: Let’s worship the LORD!

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise: All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name
Trinity#296

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel: 2 Timothy 4.1-5

I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel: 1 Timothy 1.15-16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life.

God Consecrates Us by Praise, Pledge and Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving: Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

What is our hope in life and death? / Christ alone, Christ alone.
What is our only confidence? / That our souls to Him belong.
Who holds our days within His hand? / What comes, apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end? / The love of Christ, in which we stand.

Refrain

O sing hallelujah! / Our hope springs eternal;
O sing hallelujah! / Now and ever we confess / Christ our hope in life and death.

What truth can calm the troubled soul? /God is good, God is good.
Where is His grace and goodness known? / In our great Redeemer’s blood.
Who holds our faith when fears arise? / Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh / Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?
Refrain

Unto the grave, what shall we sing? / “Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!”
And what reward will heaven bring? / Everlasting life with Him.
There we will rise to meet the Lord, / Then sin and death will be destroyed,
And we will feast in endless joy, / When Christ is ours forevermore. Refrain

Profession of Faith: Mary Elliot Montgomery

Hymn of Meditation: I Greet Thee,
Who My Sure Redeemer Art
Trinity #168

Prayer of Intercession

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.

*Children dismissed to Little Church

God Counsels Us through His Word

Scripture Reading: Luke 4.31-44

Prayer of Illumination

O God, enable the preaching of your inspired Word to arrive to us and work in us today in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction, for we ask it in Jesus’ Name, Amen.

Sermon: Jesus’ Gracious Rebuke

Prayer of Application

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Creed: The Heidelberg Catechism

That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Hymn of Response: Ye Servants of God,
Your Master Proclaim
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Benediction: Numbers 6.24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.