

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

*It is the glory of a great God to forgive great sins.
(Matthew Henry)*

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship:

Psalm 103.1-5, 8, 22b

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul,
And all that is within me, bless his holy name!

**People: Bless the LORD, O my soul,
And forget not all his benefits,**

Leader: Who forgives all your iniquity,
Who heals all your diseases,

**People: Who redeems your life from the pit,
Who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**

Leader: Who satisfies you with good,
So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

People: The LORD is merciful and gracious,
Slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

People: Bless the LORD, O my soul!

Prayer of Invocation

**Hymn of Praise: O, Come My Soul, Bless Thou the Lord
Trinity #6**

O come, my soul, bless thou the Lord thy Maker,
and all within me bless his holy name;
bless thou the Lord, forget not all his mercies,
his pard'ning grace and saving love proclaim.

Refrain

*Bless him forever, wondrous in might,
bless him, his servants that in his will delight.*

Good is the Lord and full of kind compassion,
most slow to anger, plenteous in love;
rich is his grace to all that humbly seek him,
boundless and endless as the heav'ns above. **Refrain**

His love is like a father's to his children,
tender and kind to all who fear his name;
for well he knows our weakness and our frailty,
he knows that we are dust, he knows our frame. **Refrain**

We fade and die like flow'rs that grow in beauty,
like tender grass that soon will disappear;
but evermore the love of God is changeless,
still shown to those who look to him in fear. **Refrain**

High in the heav'ns his throne is fixed forever,
his kingdom rules o'er all from pole to pole;
bless ye the Lord through all his wide dominion,
bless his most holy name, O thou my soul. **Refrain**

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel:

Matthew 22.37-40

And [Jesus] said to them, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel:

Matthew 20.25a, 28

...Jesus called [his disciples] to him and said, "...the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

God Consecrates Us by Praise and Prayer

**Hymn of Thanksgiving: Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord
Trinity #465**

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,
grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt,
yonder on Calvary's mount out-poured,
there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

Refrain

*Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that is greater than all our sin.*

Sin and despair like the sea waves cold,
threaten the soul with infinite loss;
grace that is greater, yes, grace untold,
points to the Refuge, the mighty cross. **Refrain**

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide,
What can avail to wash it away?
Look! there is flowing a crimson tide;
Whiter than snow you may be today. **Refrain**

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 for Little Church*

God Counsels Us through His Word

Scripture Reading:

Exodus 34.6-7

Sermon:

Please Show Me Your Glory

God Communes with Us in the Sacrament

Profession of Faith:

The Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 1. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

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 Preparation:

Come Ye Sinners

Come ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity joined with pow'r;
He is able, He is able, He is willing, doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh,
Without money, without money, come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall;
If you tarry, 'til you're better, you will never come at all.
Not the righteous, not the righteous, sinners Jesus came to call.

Sursum Corda:

Leader: Lift up your hearts!
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Hymn of Response:

Come Ye Sinners

Let not conscience make you linger, Nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness He requires is to feel your need of Him.
This He gives you, this He gives you, 'Tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended; Pleads the merit of His blood.
Venture on Him; venture wholly, let no other trust intrude.
None but Jesus, none but Jesus can do helpless sinners good.

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.