

## THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Judge not the Lord by feeble sense, but trust him for his grace;  
Behind a frowning providence he hides a smiling face.*

### *God Calls Us to Worship Him*

#### **Call to Worship:**

***Psalm 138.1-3, 8a***

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,**

**For you have exalted above all things your name and your word.**

Leader: On the day I called, you answered me;  
My strength of soul you increased.

**People: The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me;**

**Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.**

#### ***Prayer of Invocation***

#### ***Hymn of Praise:***

***Your Great Name We Praise***

Immortal, invisible God only wise / In light inaccessible hid from our eyes

Most holy, most glorious the ancient of days / Almighty, victorious Your great name we praise

Unresting, unhasting and silent as light / Not wanting or wasting You rule us in might

Your justice like mountains high soaring above / Your clouds which are fountains

Of goodness and love

#### ***Refrain***

*Most Holy, Most glorious / The Ancient of Days*

*Almighty, victorious / Your great name we praise*

All life comes from You Lord to both great and small / In all life you live Lord, the true life of all  
We blossom and flourish, but quickly grow frail / We wither and perish, but You never fail.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light / Your angels adore you all veiling their sight

All praise we will render oh Father of grace / Till one day in splendor we see face to face.

#### ***Refrain***

### *God Cleanses Us by His Grace*

#### **Conviction of the Gospel:**

***2 Peter 1.3-4***

His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, by which he has granted to us his precious and great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.

#### ***Confession of Sin***

#### **Comfort of the Gospel:**

***1 Peter 3.18***

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit.

### *God Consecrates Us by Praise and Prayer*

#### ***Hymn of Thanksgiving: Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor***

Christ the sure and steady anchor in the fury of the storm  
When the winds of doubt blow through me and my sails have all been torn  
In the suffering, in the sorrow when my sinking hopes are few  
I will hold fast to the anchor it shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor while the tempest rages on  
When temptation claims the battle and it seems the night has won  
Deeper still then goes the anchor though I justly stand accused  
I will hold fast to the anchor, it shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor through the floods of unbelief  
Hopeless, somehow, o my soul now lift your eyes to calvary  
This my ballast of assurance; see His love forever proved  
I will hold fast to the anchor, it shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor as we face the wave of death  
When these trials give way to glory and we draw our final breath  
We will cross that great horizon clouds behind and life secured  
And the calm will be the better for the storms that we endured.  
Christ the shore of our salvation ever faithful ever true  
We will hold fast to the anchor it shall never be removed

#### ***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.**

### *God Counsels Us through His Word*

#### **Scripture Reading:**

***Exodus 1.1-2.10***

#### **Sermon:**

***Pain and Promise***

### *God Commissions Us to Serve Him*

#### **Profession of Faith:**

***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 Response:***

***Trust and Obey***

When we walk with the Lord in the light of his Word,  
What a glory he sheds on our way!  
While we do his good will, He abides with us still,  
And with all who will trust and obey.

#### ***Refrain***

*Trust and obey, for there's no other way*

*To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*

Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies,  
But his smile quickly drives it away;  
Not a doubt or a fear, not a sigh nor a tear,  
Can abide while we trust and obey.

#### ***Refrain***

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,  
But our toil he doth richly repay;  
Not a grief nor a loss, not a frown or a cross,  
But is blest if we trust and obey.

#### ***Refrain***

But we never can prove the delights of his love  
Until all on the altar we lay;  
For the favor he shows, and the joy he bestows,  
Are for them who will trust and obey.

#### ***Refrain***

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet,  
Or we will walk by his side in the way;  
What he says we will do, where he sends we will go,  
Never fear, only trust and obey.

#### ***Refrain***

#### **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.