THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Generosity expresses the simple wish that others should have what they need to make them happy. Generosity is, so to speak, the focal point of God's moral perfection; it is the quality which determines how all God's other excellencies are to be displayed.

(J.I. Packer)

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship:

Psalm 100.1-5

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

People: Serve the LORD with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing! Leader: Know that the LORD, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;

We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

People: Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

And his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

Leader: For the LORD is good;

His steadfast love endures forever, And his faithfulness to all generations.

Greeting: Ruth 2.4

Leader: The LORD be with you! **People: The LORD bless you!**

Doxology:

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise: Come, Christians Join to Sing
Trinity Hymnal #302

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel:

1 Peter 2.9-10

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But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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:

He Will Rejoice/We Are the Body

The Lord your God is with you
He is mighty to save
He will take great delight in you
He will quiet you with his love *Repeat*

Chorus

He will rejoice over you
He will rejoice over you
If you could only hear His voice
You would hear the Lord rejoice
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We Are the Body of Christ

One heart, one spirit, / One voice to praise you We are the body of Christ.
One hope, one vision / to see you exalted We are the body of Christ.
And to this we give our lives / to see you glorified.
One heart, one spirit, one voice to praise you
We are the body of Christ *Repeat*

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Prayer of Intercession:

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Children dismissed to Little Church

Hymn of Meditation:

Our God Will Go Before Us

Our God will go before us / And guide us by his presence What confidence this promise is / We will never walk alone

Through unknown paths, through shadows / Our hearts fear not tomorrow For every step his faithfulness / Is the truth that lights our way

Chorus

Our God will go before us / The Lord of Hosts is with us O praise the one who leads us on / For his grace will bring us home

Though evil forms against us / All heaven will defend us The gates of hell shall not prevail / For the battle is the Lord's

Our God will go before us / The Lord of Hosts is with us O praise the one who leads us on / For his grace will bring us home *Chorus*

Now send us with your presence, / And lead us on to heaven, Where songs of sorrow strain no more /And our every breath is praise O let our every breath be praise *Chorus x 2*

God Counsels Us through His Word

Scripture Reading:

Ephesians 4.1-16

Sermon:

Gifts That Keep on Giving

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Questions to the Candidates

Question to the Congregation

Laying on of the Hands of the Session

Prayer of Ordination and Installation

Declaration of Ordination and Installation

Exhortation to the Officers and to the Church

Hymn of Response:

We Are God's People Trinity Hymnal #355

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.