

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

*God's compassion is my story,
Is my boasting all the day;
Mercy free and never failing
Moves my will, directs my way.
God so loved us, God so loved us
That His only Son He gave. - Francis Jones*

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship:

Psalm 95:1-4, 6

Leader: I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast in the Lord;
let the humble hear and be glad.
Oh, magnify the Lord with me,
and let us exalt his name together!

**People: I sought the Lord, and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.
Those who look to him are radiant,
and their faces shall never be ashamed.**

All: Let's Worship the Lord!

Greeting:

2 Thessalonians 3.18

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you!

Prayer of Invocation

**Hymn of Praise: All You That Fear Jehovah's Name
Trinity Hymnal #9**

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel:

Luke 9:23-24

And [Jesus] said to all, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it."

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel:

John 10:17-18, 27-29; 15:13

"For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father." "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand." "Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends."

God Consecrates Us by Praise and Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving: Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Come, behold the wondrous mystery / In the dawning of the king
He the theme of Heaven's praises / Robed in frail humanity
In our longing, in our darkness / Now, the light of life has come
Look to Christ who condescended / Took on flesh to ransom us

Come, behold the wondrous mystery / He is the perfect son of man
In His living, in His suffering / Never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam / Come to save the hell-bound man
Christ, the great and sure fulfillment / Of the law in Him, we stand

Come, behold the wondrous mystery / Christ, the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners / Hangs the lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption / See the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory / Grace unmeasured, love untold

Come, behold the wondrous mystery / Slain by death, the God of life
But no grave could ever restrain Him / Praise the Lord, He is alive
What a foretaste of deliverance / How unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected / As we will be when He comes

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: 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

God Counsels Us through His Word

Scripture Reading:

2 Kings 4:8-37

Sermon:

Head Full of Doubt/Road Full of Promise

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Creed:

Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Hymn of Response:

**Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right
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