

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

In Christ we are set free to create. He sets us free to live—toward God, with people, in the world—as artists, not as copiers. He sets us free to use the stuff that God gives us to live something original. [What is the stuff?] Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. (Eugene Peterson)

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship: *Isaiah 12.3-6*

Leader: With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.
And you will say in that day:

**People: Give thanks to the LORD, call upon his name,
Make known his deeds among the peoples,
Proclaim that his name is exalted.
Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously;
Let this be made known in all the earth.**

Leader: Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitants of Zion,
For great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

People: Let's worship the LORD!

Greeting: *2 Corinthians 13.14*

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship
Of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise: *The Church's One Foundation Trinity Hymnal #347*

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Law: *John 15.1-5*

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing."

Confession of Sin:

Comfort of the Gospel: *John 10.11*

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

God Consecrates Us by Praise, Pledge, and Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving: *Before the throne of God Above*

Before the throne of God above / I have a strong, a perfect plea:
A great High Priest, whose name is Love, / Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands, / My name is written on His heart;
I know that while in heaven He stands / No tongue can bid me thence depart
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When Satan tempts me to despair, / And tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look, and see Him there / Who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died, / My sinful soul is counted free;
For God the just is satisfied / To look on Him and pardon me
To look on Him and pardon me

Behold Him there, the Risen Lamb / My perfect, spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I am, / The King of glory and of grace!
One with Himself I cannot die / My soul is purchased by His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high, / With Christ, my Savior and my God
With Christ, my Savior and my God

Profession of Faith: *Thomas & Mac Lambert*

Hymn of Meditation: *Come, O Come Thou Holy Spirit*

Come, o come Thou Holy Spirit / Light and life Thy grace imparts
Blessed Source of consolation / Guide our minds and fill our hearts
Grant my mind and my affections / Wisdom, counsel, purity
That I may be ever seeking / Only that which pleases Thee
Only that which pleases Thee / Savior lead us to adore Thee

By the true and living way / Then with angel hosts before Thee
May we worship, love and praise / Dwell within us, precious Spirit
Where Thou art no ill can come / Bless us now through Jesus' merit
Reign in every heart and home / Reign in every heart and home

Holy Spirit, strong and mighty / Thou who makest all things new
Make Thy work within me perfect / Help me by Thy word so true
In Thy faith, O make me steadfast / Let not Satan, death or shame
Of my confidence deprive me / Lord, my refuge is Thy name
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When my final hour approaches / Let my hopes grow yet more bright
Let Thy love which never fails me / Dissipate the gloom of night
From that height which knows no measure / Fairer far than voice can tell
In Thy glorious courts of heaven / There, redeemed by Christ, to dwell
There, redeemed by Christ, to dwell

Prayer of Intercession: *The Lord's Prayer*

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

**Children dismissed to Little Church*

God Counsels Us through His Word

Scripture Reading: *Galatians 5.16-26*

Sermon: *Free to Bear Fruit*

God Communes with Us in the Sacrament

Creed: *The Heidelberg Catechism*

Q.31. Why is the Son of God called "Christ," meaning "anointed"?

Because he has been ordained by God the Father and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit to be our chief prophet and teacher who fully reveals to us the secret counsel and will of God concerning our deliverance; our only high priest who has delivered us by the one sacrifice of his body, and who continually pleads our cause with the Father; and our eternal king who governs us by his Word and Spirit, and who guards us and keeps us in the freedom he has won for us.

Hymn of Preparation: *At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing Trinity Hymnal #420*

Sursum Corda:

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Prayer of Adoration and Assistance

Invitation to the Table: *John 6.35*

Fencing of the Table: *1 Corinthians 11.27-32*

Words of Institution: *1 Corinthians 11.23-26*

Distribution

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Song of Response: *Breathe on Me, Breath of God Trinity Hymnal #334*

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.