

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

...Christ has brought that everlasting righteousness which will abundantly satisfy any hungry soul after that hungry soul has gone to many a barren tree for food and found none. (John Owen)

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship:

Psalm 149:1-2

Leader: Praise the LORD!

**People: Sing to the LORD a new song,
His praise in the assembly of the godly!**

Leader: Let Israel be glad in his Maker;

People: Let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!

Greeting:

Romans 1:7b

Leader: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

People: And also to you!

Lent Anthem:

**Christ, We Do All Adore Thee
Trinity Hymnal #737**

Prayer of Invocation

**Hymn of Praise: All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above
Trinity Hymnal #4**

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Law:

1 John 2:28-3:3

And now, little children, abide in him, so that when he appears we may have confidence and not shrink from him in shame at his coming. If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that everyone who practices righteousness has been born of him. See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel:

1 John 4:9-10

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

God Consecrates Us by Praise and Prayer

**Hymn of Thanksgiving: Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder
Trinity Hymnal #172**

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:

Not In Me

No list of sins I have not done, / No list of virtues I pursue,
No list of those I am not like / Can earn myself a place with You.
O God, be merciful to me – I am a sinner through and through!
My only hope of righteousness / Is not in me, but only You.

No humble dress, no fervent prayer, / No lifted hands, no tearful song,
No recitation of the truth / Can justify a single wrong.
My righteousness is Jesus' life, / My debt was paid by Jesus' death,
My weary load was borne by Him / And He alone can give me rest.

No separation from the world, / No work I do, no gift I give
Can cleanse my conscience, cleanse my hands; / I cannot cause my soul to live.
But Jesus died and rose again– The power of death is overthrown!
My God is merciful to me / And merciful in Christ alone.

My righteousness is Jesus' life, / My debt was paid by Jesus' death,
My weary load was borne by Him / And He alone can give me rest.

God Counsels Us through His Word

Scripture Reading:

Galatians 6:11-18

Sermon:

Rule of Life, Part 2

God Communes with Us in the Sacrament

Creed:

The Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 60. How are you right with God?

Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments and of never having kept any of them, and even though I am still inclined toward all evil, nevertheless, without my deserving it at all, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me. All I need to do is to accept this gift of God with a believing heart.

**Hymn of Preparation: At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing
Trinity Hymnal #420 (Stanzas 1-2)**

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:

Revelation 3:20

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:

**At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing
Trinity Hymnal #420 (Stanza 3)**

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.