THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

God can achieve his purpose either through the absence of human power and resources, or abandonment of reliance on them. All through history God has chosen and used nobodies, because their unusual dependence on him made possible the unique displace of his power and grace. He chose and used somebodies only when they renounced dependence on their natural abilities and resources. (Oswald Chambers)

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.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise:

The Church's One Foundation Trinity Hymnal #347

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel:

1 Corinthians 1.26-29

For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God.

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel:

1 Corinthians 1.30-31

And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption, so that, as it is written, "Let him who boasts, boast in the Lord."

God Consecrates Us by Praise, Pledge, and Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving:

Christ The True and Better

Christ the true and better Adam / Son of God and Son of man Who when tempted in the garden / Never yielded never sinned He who makes the many righteous / Brings us back to life again Dying He reversed the curse then / Rising crushed the serpent's head

Christ the true and better Isaac / Humble son of sacrifice Who would climb the fearful mountain / There to offer up his life Laid with faith upon the altar / Father's joy and only son There salvation was provided / Oh what full and boundless love

Chorus

Amen amen / From beginning to end Christ the story / His the glory Alleluia amen

Christ the true and better Moses / Called to lead a people home Standing bold to earthly powers / God's great glory to be known With his arms stretched wide to heaven / See the waters part in two See the veil is torn forever / Cleansed with blood we pass now through. *Chorus*

Christ the true and better David / Lowly shepherd mighty King He the champion in the battle / Where O death is now thy sting? In our place He bled and conquered / Crown Him Lord of majesty His shall be the throne forever / We shall e'er His people be. *Chorus*

Profession of Faith:

Mack Hardin

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:

Luke 6.12-16

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon:

Jesus' Nobodies

God Communes with Us in the Sacrament

Creed:

The Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 32. But why are you called a Christian?

Because by faith I am a member of Christ and so I share in his anointing. I am anointed to confess his name, to present myself to him as a living sacrifice of thanks, to strive with a good conscience against sin and the devil in this life, and afterward to reign with Christ over all creation for all eternity.

Hymn of Preparation:

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 heav'n He stands, / No tongue can bid me thence depart x2

When Satan tempts me to despair, / And tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look and see Him there, / Who made an end of 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 *2

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 x2

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 Thanksgiving

Words of Institution:

1 Corinthians 11.23-26

Distribution of Elements

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Hymn of Response:

All to Jesus I Surrender Trinity Hymnal #605

Benediction: Numbers 6.24-26