

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

“In his work and in his words, Jesus is making promises to the beaten, the torn, the broken, the depressed, the desperate, the poor, the orphan, the abandoned, the cheated, the betrayed, the accused, the left behind. He is, believe it or not, promising to fix it all.” - Jared C. Wilson

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship:

Isaiah 14:13

Leader: Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth;
Break forth, O mountains, into singing!

**People: For the Lord has comforted his people
And will have compassion on his afflicted.**

Greeting:

Based on Ruth 2:4

Leader: The LORD be with you!

People: And also with you!

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise:

***Praise to the Lord, The Almighty
Trinity Hymnal #53***

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel

Matthew 8:23-27

And they went and woke him, saying, “Save us, Lord; we are perishing.” And he said to them, “Why are you afraid, O you of little faith?” Then he rose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. And the men marveled, saying, “What sort of man is this, that even winds and sea obey him?”

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel:

John 10:27-30

“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. I and the Father are one.”

God Consecrates Us by Praise and Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving:

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
That in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in thy sunshine’s blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain,
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life’s glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

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

Hymn of Meditation:

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,”
Whoever 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.
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

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.
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

God Counsels Us through His Word

Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 49:14-16

Sermon:

A Handful of Forget-Me-Nots

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Creed:

Apostles’ 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:

***Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners!
Trinity Hymnal #498***

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.