

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

The great need for the Christian worker is to be ready to face Jesus Christ at any and every turn. ... This will give our life the attitude of child-wonder which He wants it to have.
(Oswald Chambers)

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship: *Psalm 50.1-6*

Leader: The Mighty One, God the LORD,
Speaks and summons the earth
From the rising of the sun to its setting.

**People: Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,
God shines forth.**

Leader: Our God comes; he does not keep silence;
Before him is a devouring fire,
Around him a mighty tempest.

**People: He calls the heavens above and to the earth,
That he may judge his people:**

Leader: “Gather to me my faithful ones,
Who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!”

**People: The heavens declare his righteousness,
For God himself is judge!**

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise: *Crown Him with Many Crowns
Trinity Hymnal #295*

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel: *1 Thessalonians 5.2-6*

For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. While people are saying, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober.

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel: *Colossians 1.13-14*

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

God Consecrates Us by Praise and Prayer

**Hymn of Thanksgiving: Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord
Trinity Hymnal #465**

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: *Jesus, with Thy
Church Abide*

Jesus, with Thy church abide;
Be her savior, Lord, and Guide,
While on earth her faith is tried:
We beseech Thee, hear us,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Keep her life and doctrine pure;
Grant her patience to endure,
Trusting in Thy promise sure:
We beseech Thee, hear us,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

May she one in doctrine be,
One in truth and charity,
Winning all to faith in Thee:
We beseech Thee, hear us,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

May she guide the poor and blind,
Seek the lost until she find
And the brokenhearted bind:
We beseech Thee, hear us,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

**Children dismissed to Little Church*

God Counsels Us through His Word

Scripture Reading: *Luke 12.35-48*

Sermon: *Stay Awake! Stay Active!*

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Prayer of Application

Creed: *The 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: *Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray
Trinity Hymnal #567*

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.