

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
Till all the world adore his sacred name.*

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship:

Matthew 11.28-30

Leader: Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden,
And I will give you rest.
**People: Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me,
For I am gentle and lowly in heart,
And you will find rest for your souls.**
Leader: For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise:

For the Cause

For the cause of Christ the King
We give our lives, an offering
’Til all the earth resounds
With ceaseless praise
To the Son

For the cause of Christ we go
With joy to reap, with faith to sow
As many see
And many put their trust in the Son

Chorus
*Christ we proclaim,
The Name above every name:
For all creation,
Ev’ry nation,
God’s salvation
Through the Son!*

For the King once lifted high
To cries of rage, of ‘crucify!’
Endured the cross
As every sin was laid
On the Son

To the King who conquered death
To free the poor and the oppressed
For lasting peace
For life and liberty
In the Son **Chorus**

Let it be my life’s refrain:
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Deny myself, take up my cross
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God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel:

Matthew 28.19-20

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel:

Matthew 20.28

...the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

God Consecrates Us by Praise and Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving:

Facing a Task Unfinished

Facing a task unfinished / That drives us to our knees
A need that, undiminished / Rebukes our slothful ease
We, who rejoice to know Thee / Renew before Thy throne
The solemn pledge we owe Thee / To go and make Thee known

Where other lords beside Thee / Hold their unhindered sway
Where forces that defied Thee / Defy Thee still today
With none to heed their crying / For life, and love, and light
Unnumbered souls are dying / And pass into the night

Refrain
*We go to all the world
With kingdom hope unfurled
No other name has power to save
But Jesus Christ The Lord*

We bear the torch that flaming / Fell from the hands of those
Who gave their lives proclaiming / That Jesus died and rose
Ours is the same commission / The same glad message ours
Fired by the same ambition / To Thee we yield our powers **Refrain**

O Father who sustained them / O Spirit who inspired
Saviour, whose love constrained them / To toil with zeal untired
From cowardice defend us / From lethargy awake!
Forth on Thine errands send us / To labour for Thy sake **Refrain**

Prayer of Intercession:

**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.**

God Counsels Us through His Word

Scripture Reading:

Psalms 95.1-11

Sermon:

Worthy of Our Worship

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Profession of Faith:

Our World Belongs to God

As followers of Jesus Christ,
Living in this world—
Which some seek to control,
And others view with despair—
We declare with joy and trust:
Our world belongs to God!
From the beginning,
Through all the crises of our times,
Until the kingdom fully comes,
God keeps covenant forever:
Our world belongs to God!
God is King: Let the earth be glad!
Christ is victor: His rule has begun!
The Spirit is at work: Creation is renewed!
Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

Hymn of Response:

Great is thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain
*Great is thy faithfulness!
Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see:
All I have needed thy hand hath provided -
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. **Refrain**

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! **Refrain**

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.