

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Thou art the King of mercy and of grace, reigning omnipotent in every place:
So come, O King, and our whole being sway; shine on us with the light of thy pure day.*

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship:

Psalm 45.1-4, 17

Leader: My heart is stirred by a noble theme
As I recite my verses to the king;
My tongue is the pen of a skillful writer.

**People: You are the most excellent of men
And your lips have been anointed with grace,
Since God has blessed you forever.**

Leader: Gird your sword upon your side, O mighty one;
Clothe yourself with splendor and majesty.

**People: In your majesty ride forth victoriously
In behalf of truth, humility and righteousness;
Let your right hand display awesome deeds.**

Leader: I will perpetuate your memory through all generations;
Therefore the nations will praise you for ever and ever.

People: Let's worship the Lord!

Greeting:

2 Thessalonians 3.18

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you!

Doxology:

Trinity Hymnal #731

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise:

***Come, Thou Almighty King
Trinity Hymnal #101***

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel:

Colossians 1.27-29

To [the saints] God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. [Christ] we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel:

Colossians 1.13-14

[The Father] 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:

His Mercy Is More

Chorus

*Praise the Lord, His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn'
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more*

What love could remember, no wrongs we have done
Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father so tender is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more **Chorus**

What riches of kindness He lavished on us
His blood was the payment His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more **Chorus x2**

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.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

**Children dismissed to Little Church*

Hymn of Meditation:

Our God Will Go Before Us

Our God will go before us / And guide us by his presence
What confidence this promise is / We will never walk alone

Through unknown paths, through shadows / Our hearts fear not tomorrow
For every step his faithfulness / Is the truth that lights our way

Chorus

*Our God will go before us / The Lord of Hosts is with us
O praise the one who leads us on / For his grace will bring us home*

Though evil forms against us / All heaven will defend us
The gates of hell shall not prevail / For the battle is the Lord's **Chorus**

Now send us with your presence, / And lead us on to heaven,
Where songs of sorrow strain no more / And our every breath is praise
O let our every breath be praise **Chorus x2**

God Counsels Us through His Word

Scripture Reading:

Luke 19.11-27

Sermon:

Engaging in the King's Business

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

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:

***All for Jesus!
Trinity Hymnal #565***

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.