

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

My memory is nearly gone, but I remember two things: That I am a great sinner and that Christ is a great Savior. (John Newton)

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship: *Psalm 111.1-4, 9-10*

Leader: Praise the LORD!

People: I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, In the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Leader: Great are the works of the LORD,
Studied by all who delight in them.

**People: Full of splendor and majesty is his work,
And his righteousness endures forever.**

Leader: He has caused his wonderous works to be remembered;
The LORD is gracious and merciful.

**People: He sent redemption to his people;
He has commanded his covenant forever.
Holy and awesome is his name!**

Leader: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;
All those who practice it have a good understanding.

People: His praise endures forever!

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise: *To God Be the Glory Trinity Hymnal #55*

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel: *Romans 2.1-5*

Therefore you have no excuse, O man, every one of you who judges. For in passing judgment on another you condemn yourself, because you, the judge, practice the very same things. We know that the judgment of God rightly falls on those who practice such things. Do you suppose, O man—you who judge those who practice such things and yet do them yourself—that you will escape the judgment of God? Or do you presume on the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience, not knowing that God’s kindness is meant to lead you to repentance? But because of your hard and impenitent heart you are storing up wrath for yourself on the day of wrath when God’s righteous judgment will be revealed.

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel: *Romans 8.33-34*

Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

God Consecrates Us by Praise and Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving: *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me Trinity Hymnal #500*

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: *O Church, Arise*

O church arise and put your armor on,
Hear the call of Christ our captain.
For now the weak can say that they are strong
In the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth,
We’ll stand against the devil’s lies.
An army bold, whose battle cry is love,
Reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul,
But to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole,
We will fight with faith and valor.
When faced with trials on every side,
We know the outcome is secure.
And Christ will have the prize for which He died:
An inheritance of nations.

Come, see the cross, where love and mercy meet,
As the Son of God is stricken;
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet,
For the Conqueror has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away,
And Christ emerges from the grave,
This victory march continues till the day
Ev’ry eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit, come, put strength in every stride;
Give grace for every hurdle.
That we may run with faith to win the prize
Of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old, still line the way,
Retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls, and hunger for the day
When with Christ we stand in Glory.

**Children dismissed to Little Church*

God Counsels Us through His Word

Scripture Reading: *Luke 12.49-59*

Sermon: *The Court Date Approaching*

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Creed: *The Heidelberg Catechism*

Q. 60. How are you right with God?

Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God’s commandments and of never having kept any of them, and even though I am still inclined toward all evil, nevertheless, without my deserving it at all, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me. All I need to do is to accept this gift of God with a believing heart.

Hymn of Response: *My Faith Has Found a Resting Place Trinity Hymnal #468*

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.