

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Nobody ever comes to Jesus and asks for mercy and is turned away. (Sinclair Ferguson)

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship:

Isaiah 55.1-3

Leader: Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;
And he who has no money, come, buy and eat!

**People: Come, buy wine and milk
Without money and without price.**

Leader: Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
And your labor for that which does not satisfy?

**People: Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,
And delight yourselves in rich food.**

Leader: Incline your ear, and come to me;
Hear, that your soul may live;

**All: And I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
My steadfast, sure love for David.**

Greeting:

1 Thessalonians 5.28

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

People: And also with you!

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise:

**Come, Christians, Join to Sing
Trinity Hymnal #302**

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel:

2 Peter 1:3-9

His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire. For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins.

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel:

1 Peter 2.24

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

God Consecrates Us by Praise, Presentation, and Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving:

His Love Can Never Fail

I do not ask to see the way / My feet will have to tread;
But only that my soul may feed / Upon the living Bread.
'Tis better far that I should walk / By faith close to His side;
I may not know the way I go, but oh, I know my Guide.

Chorus

*His love can never fail, His love can never fail,
My soul is satisfied to know His love can never fail.
My soul is satisfied to know His love can never fail.*

And if my feet would go astray, / They cannot, for I know
That Jesus guides my falt'ring steps, / As joyfully I go.
And though I may not see His face, / My faith is strong and clear,
That in each hour of sore distress / My Savior will be near. **Chorus**

I will not fear, though darkness come / Abroad o'er all the land,
If I may only feel the touch / Of His own loving hand.
And though I tremble when I think / How weak I am, and frail,
My soul is satisfied to know / His love can never fail. **Chorus**

Recognition of Graduates

Hymn of Reflection:

A Debtor to Mercy Alone

A debtor to mercy alone, / Of covenant mercy I sing;
Nor fear, with Thy righteousness on, / My person and offering to bring.
The terrors of law and of God / With me can have nothing to do;
My Savior's obedience and blood / Hide all my transgressions from view

The work which His goodness began, / The arm of His strength will complete;
His promise is yea and amen, / And never was forfeited yet.
Things future, nor things that are now, / Not all things below nor above
Can make Him His purpose forego, / Or sever my soul from His love.

My name from the palms of His hands / Eternity will not erase;
Impressed on His heart it remains / In marks of indelible grace.
Yes, I to the end shall endure, / As sure as the earnest is given
More happy, but not more secure, / The glorified spirits in heaven.

Prayer of Intercession

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

**Children dismissed to Little Church*

God Counsels Us through His Word

Scripture Reading:

Luke 18.35-43

Sermon:

Let's Be Beggars

God Communes with Us in the Sacrament

Creed:

The Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 1. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Hymn of Preparation:

**Amazing Grace!
Trinity Hymnal #460 (stanzas 1-4)**

Sursum Corda:

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Prayer of Adoration and Assistance

Invitation to the Table:

John 6.35

Fencing of the Table:

1 Corinthians 11.27-32

Words of Institution:

1 Corinthians 11.23-26

Distribution

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Hymn of Response:

**Amazing Grace!
Trinity Hymnal #460 (stanzas 5-6)**

Benediction:

Numbers 6.24-26