

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

“For God alone my soul waits in silence; from him comes my salvation.” (Psalm 62.1)

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:Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near,
Join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o’er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen, how thy desires e’er have been
Granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee!
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;
Ponder anew what the Almighty will do,
If with his love he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee,
Decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.
How oft in grief hath not he brought thee relief,
Spreading his wings to o’ershade thee!

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again;
Gladly fore’er we adore him.

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel:Ephesians 4.15-16

Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil.

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel:Ephesians 2.8-9

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

God Consecrates Us by Praise and Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving:Jesus I Come

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night,
Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;
Into thy freedom, gladness and light,
Jesus, I come to thee;
Out of my sickness into thy health,
Out of my want and into thy wealth,
Out of my sin and into thyself,
Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss,
Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;
Into the glorious gain of thy cross,
Jesus, I come to thee;
Out of earth’s sorrows into thy balm,
Out of life’s storms and into thy calm,
Out of distress to jubilant psalm,
Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride,
Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;
Into thy blessed will to abide,
Jesus, I come to thee;
Out of myself to dwell in thy love,
Out of despair into raptures above,
Upward for aye on wings like a dove,
Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb,
Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;
Into the joy and light of thy home,
Jesus, I come to thee;
Out of the depths of ruin untold,
Into the peace of thy sheltering fold,
Ever thy glorious face to behold,
Jesus, I come to thee.

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:Exodus 20.8-11

Sermon:God Gives Us Rest

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Profession of Faith:The Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 103. What is God’s will for you in the fourth commandment?

A. First, that the gospel ministry and education for it be maintained, and that, especially on the festive day of rest, I regularly attend the assembly of God’s people to learn what God’s Word teaches, to participate in the sacraments, to pray to God publicly, and to bring Christian offerings for the poor. Second, that every day of my life, I rest from my evil ways, let the Lord work in me through his Spirit and so begin already in this life the eternal Sabbath.

Hymn of Response:Take My Life, and Let It Be

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days;
Let them flow in ceaseless praise, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be
Swift and beautiful for thee, swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing, always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from thee, filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use
Ev’ry pow’r as thou shalt choose, ev’ry pow’r as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
It shall be thy royal throne, it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store.
Take my self, and I will be
Ever, only, all for thee, ever, only, all for thee.

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.