

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus’ blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus’ name.

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship: Psalm 117.1-2

Leader: Praise the LORD, all nations!
Extol him, all peoples!
People: For great is his steadfast love toward us,
And the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.
Praise the LORD!

Greeting: Jude 1b-2

Leader: To those who are called, beloved in God the Father and kept for Jesus Christ:
May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you.
People: And also to you!

Gloria Patri: Trinity Hymnal #734

Prayer of Invocation

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

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel: 1 Peter 1.14-16

As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.”

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel: 1 Peter 1.17-18

And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one’s deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

God Consecrates Us by Praise, Pledge, and Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving: Arise My Soul Arise

Arise, my soul, arise / Shake off your guilty fears.
The bleeding sacrifice, / on my behalf, appears.
Before the throne my surety stands / Before the throne my surety stands;
My name is written on His hands

Refrain
Arise, Arise – Arise, My Soul, Arise
Arise, Arise – Arise, My Soul, Arise
Shake off your guilty fear and rise

He ever lives above, / for me to intercede
His all-redeeming love, / His precious blood to plead.
His blood atoned for ev’ry race, / His blood atoned for ev’ry race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace. Refrain

Five bleeding wounds He bears, / received on Calvary
They pour effectual prayers; / They strongly plead for me.
“Forgive him, Oh, forgive,” they cry, / “Forgive him, Oh, forgive,” they cry;
“Nor let that ransomed sinner die. ” Refrain

My God is reconciled; / His pardoning voice I hear.
He owns me for His child; / I can no longer fear.
With confidence I now draw nigh,/ With confidence I now draw nigh,
And, “Father, Abba, Father,” cry. Refrain x2

Administration of Covenant Baptism: Bennett Kyle Smith

Song of Reflection: Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me! This I know, / For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong; / They are weak, but He is strong.

Refrain
Yes, Jesus loves me! / Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! / The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me, he who died / heaven’s gate to open wide.
He will wash away my sin, / let His little child come in. Refrain

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

*Children dismissed to Little Church

Hymn of Meditation: Upon a Life I Did Not Live

Upon a Life I have not lived, / Upon a death I did not die,
Another’s life; Another’s death, / I stake my whole eternity.

Not on the tears which I have shed, / Not on the sorrows I have known,
Another’s tears; another’s griefs, /On these I rest, on these alone.

Refrain
O Jesus, Son of God, / I build on what Thy cross has done for me;
There both my death and life I read, / My guilt, and pardon there I see. / There I see.

Lord, I believe; O deal with me, / As one who has Thy Word believed!
I take the gift, Lord, look on me, / As one who has Thy gift received. Refrain

Upon a Life I have not lived, / Upon a Death I did not die,
Another’s Life; Another’s Death, / I stake my whole eternity. Refrain x2

God Counsels Us through His Word

Scripture Reading: Galatians 2.1-10

Sermon: A Testimony of Freedom, Part 2

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Creed: The Belgic Confession

Article 22: What Do You Believe about the Righteousness of Faith?

We believe that for us to acquire the true knowledge of this great mystery the Holy Spirit kindles in our hearts a true faith that embraces Jesus Christ, with all his merits, and makes him its own, and no longer looks for anything apart from him. For it must necessarily follow that either all that is required for our salvation is not in Christ or, if all is in him, then those who have Christ by faith have his salvation entirely. Therefore, to say that Christ is not enough but that something else is needed as well is a most enormous blasphemy against God—for it then would follow that Jesus Christ is only half a Savior. And therefore we justly say with Paul that we are justified “by faith alone” or “by faith apart from works.” However, we do not mean, properly speaking, that it is faith itself that justifies us—for faith is only the instrument by which we embrace Christ, our righteousness. But Jesus Christ is our righteousness in making available to us all his merits and all the holy works he has done for us and in our place. And faith is the instrument that keeps us in communion with him and with all his benefits. When those benefits are made ours, they are more than enough to absolve us of our sins.

Hymn of Response: Not All the Blood of Beasts
Trinity Hymnal #242

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.