

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

“There is more mercy in Christ than sin in us.” - Richard Sibbes

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship: Psalm 67:1-5

Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us  
and make his face to shine upon us,  
that your way may be known on earth,  
your saving power among all nations.  
People: Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you!  
Leader: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,  
for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide the nations upon earth. Selah  
People: Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you!

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise: Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing  
Trinity Hymnal #457

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel: 1 John 3:23–24

And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. 24 Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel: Romans 10:9–10, 13

If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.... For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

God Consecrates Us by Praise and Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving: And Can It Be

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior’s blood?  
Died He for me who caused His pain! For me who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, should die for me?

Chorus  
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He left His Father’s throne above, so free, so infinite His grace!  
Emptied Himself of all but love, and bled for Adam’s helpless race.  
’Tis mercy all, immense and free, for O my God, it found out me! Chorus

Long my imprisoned spirit lay, fast bound in sin and nature’s night;  
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;  
My chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth, and followed Thee. Chorus

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him, is mine;  
Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach the eternal throne, And claim the crown, through Christ my own  
Chorus

Prayer of Intercession: The Lord’s Prayer

Tithes and Offerings: Facing the Task Unfinished

Facing a task unfinished / That drives us to our knees  
A need that, undiminished / Rebukes our slothful ease  
We, who rejoice to know Thee / Renew before Thy throne  
The solemn pledge we owe Thee / To go and make Thee known

Where other lords beside Thee / Hold their unhindered sway  
Where forces that defied Thee / Defy Thee still today  
With none to heed their crying / For life, and love, and light  
Unnumbered souls are dying / And pass into the night

Chorus  
We go to all the world / With kingdom hope unfurled  
No other name has power to save / But Jesus Christ The Lord

We bear the torch that flaming / Fell from the hands of those  
Who gave their lives proclaiming / That Jesus died and rose  
Ours is the same commission / The same glad message ours  
Fired by the same ambition / To Thee we yield our powers Chorus

O Father who sustained them / O Spirit who inspired  
Savior, whose love constrained them / To toil with zeal untired  
From cowardice defend us / From lethargy awake!  
Forth on Thine errands send us / To labor for Thy sake Chorus

\*Children dismissed to Little Church

God Counsels Us through His Word

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 9

Sermon: Grace and Generosity

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Creed: The Apostle’s 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: Lord, Thou Lov’st the Cheerful Giver  
Trinity Hymnal #434

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.