

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

[The early Christians] believed that God was going to do for the whole cosmos what he had done for Jesus on Easter morning. (N.T. Wright)

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship: *Psalm 16.7-11*

Leader: I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
In the night also my heart instructs me.

**People: I have set the LORD always before me;
Because he is at my right hand,
I shall not be shaken.**

Leader: Therefore my heart is glad,
And my whole being rejoices;
My flesh also dwells secure.

**People: For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,
Or let your holy one see corruption.**

Leader: You make known to me the path of life;
In your presence there is fullness of joy;
At your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

All: Let's worship the LORD!

Greeting: *Ruth 2.4*

Leader: The LORD be with you!

People: The LORD bless you!

Gloria Patri: *#735*

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise: *Crown Him with Many Crowns Trinity Hymnal #295*

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel: *1 Corinthians 15.12-20, 58*

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ... Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel: *2 Corinthians 5.17*

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

God Consecrates Us by Praise, Pledge, and Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving: *Psalm 23*

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want; / He makes me lie in pastures green.
He leads me by the still, still waters, / His goodness restores my soul.

Refrain

*And I will trust in You alone, / And I will trust in You alone,
For Your endless mercy follows me, / Your goodness will lead me home.*

He guides my ways in righteousness, / And He anoints my head with oil,
And my cup, it overflows with joy, / I feast on His pure delights. **Refrain**

And though I walk the darkest path, / I will not fear the evil one,
For You are with me, and Your rod and staff / Are the comfort I need to know. **Refrain x2**

Commissioning of Peru Team

Hymn of Meditation: *Facing A 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

Refrain

*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 **Refrain**

O Father who sustained them / O Spirit who inspired
Saviour, 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 **Refrain x2**

Prayer of Intercession

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

**Children dismissed to Little Church*

God Counsels Us through His Word

Scripture Reading: *Luke 20.27-40*

Sermon: *Resurrection Lenses*

God Communes with Us in the Sacrament

Creed: *The Westminster Larger Catechism*

Q. 87. What are we to believe concerning the resurrection?

We are to believe, that at the last day there shall be a general resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust: when they that are then found alive shall in a moment be changed; and the self-same bodies of the dead which were laid in the grave, being then again united to their souls forever, shall be raised up by the power of Christ. The bodies of the just, by the Spirit of Christ, and by virtue of his resurrection as their head, shall be raised in power, spiritual, incorruptible, and made like to his glorious body; and the bodies of the wicked shall be raised up in dishonor by him, as an offended judge.

Hymn of Preparation: *My Hope Is in the Lord Trinity Hymnal #523 (stanzas 1-2)*

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 6.53-54*

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: *My Hope Is in the Lord Trinity Hymnal #523 (stanzas 3-4)*

Benediction: *Numbers 6.24-26*