

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

“The first words man hears God speak to him are called “blessings.” (Ligon Duncan)

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship: Psalm 105.1-6

Leader: Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;
Make known his deeds among the peoples!
People: Sing to him, sing praises to him;
Tell of all his wondrous works!
Leader: Glory in his holy name;
Let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!
People: Seek the LORD and his strength;
Seek his presence continually!
Leader: Remember the wondrous works that he has done,
His miracles, and the judgments he uttered,
People: O offspring of Abraham, his servant,
Children of Jacob, his chosen ones!

Greeting: Ruth 2.4

Leader: The LORD be with you!
People: The LORD bless you!

Doxology: Trinity Hymnal #731

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise: The God of Abraham Praise
Trinity Hymnal #34

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Law: John 8.31-39

So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free?’” Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. I know that you are offspring of Abraham; yet you seek to kill me because my word finds no place in you. I speak of what I have seen with my Father, and you do what you have heard from your father.” They answered him, “Abraham is our father.” Jesus said to them, “If you were Abraham’s children, you would be doing the works Abraham did....”

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel: John 5.24

Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

God Consecrates Us by Praise and Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving: By Grace I’m Saved, Grace Free and Boundless | Trinity Hymnal #456

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: O Breath of God (The Risen Christ)

O breath of God, come fill this place;
Revive our hearts to know Your grace;
And from our slumber make us rise
That we may know the Risen Christ.

O word of God, so clear and true,
Renew our minds to trust in You;
And give to us the bread of life
That we may know the Risen Christ.

O love of God, so unrestrained,
Refresh our souls in Jesus’ name.
Let us reflect Your sacrifice
That we may know the Risen Christ.

God Counsels Us through His Word

Scripture Reading: Galatians 3.6-9

Sermon: Father Abraham Has Many Sons

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Creed: The Apostles’ 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: Christ, Our Hope in Life and Death

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone.
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to Him belong.

Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

Who holds our days within His hand?
What comes, apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ, in which we stand.

Chorus
O sing hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal;
O sing hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death.

Chorus
Unto the grave, what shall we sing?
“Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!”
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with Him.

There we will rise to meet the Lord,
Then sin and death will be destroyed,
And we will feast in endless joy,
When Christ is ours forevermore.

What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good.
Where is His grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer’s blood.

Chorus

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.