

## THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Thou art the King of mercy and of grace, reigning omnipotent in every place:  
So come, O King, and our whole being sway; shine on us with the light of thy pure day.*

### God Calls Us to Worship Him

**Call to Worship:** *Psalm 135.1-6, 13-14*

Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise the name of the LORD,  
Give praise, O servants of the LORD,  
Who stand in the house of the LORD,  
In the courts of the house of our God!

**People: Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good;  
Sing to his name, for it is pleasant!  
For the LORD has chosen Jacob for himself,  
Israel for his own possession.**

Leader: For I know that the LORD is great,  
And that our Lord is above all gods.  
Whatever the LORD pleases, he does,  
In heaven and on earth, in the seas and all the deeps.

**People: Your name O LORD, endures forever,  
Your renown, O LORD, throughout the ages.  
For the LORD will vindicate his people  
And have compassion on his servants.**

**Greeting:** *2 Thessalonians 1.2*

Leader: Grace to you and peace from God our Father  
And the Lord Jesus Christ.

**People: And also to you!**

**Gloria Patri:** *Trinity Hymnal #735*

### Prayer of Invocation

**Hymn of Praise:** *All Glory, Laud, and Honor  
Trinity Hymnal #235*

### God Cleanses Us by His Grace

**Conviction of the Gospel:** *Colossians 3.1-4*

**If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above,  
where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things  
that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your  
life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears,  
then you also will appear with him in glory.**

### Confession of Sin

**Comfort of the Gospel:** *Colossians 2.13b-15*

...God made us alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by cancel-  
ing the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nail-  
ing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame,  
by triumphing over them in him.

### God Consecrates Us by Praise and Prayer

**Hymn of Thanksgiving:** *O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!  
Trinity Hymnal #535*

**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

**Hymn of Meditation:** *Christ the True and Better*

Christ, the true and better Adam / Son of God and Son of man  
Who, when tempted in the garden / Never yielded, never sinned  
He, who makes the many righteous / Brings us back to life again  
Dying, He reversed the curse, then / Rising, crushed the serpent's head

Christ, the true and better Isaac / Humble son of sacrifice  
Who would climb the fearful mountain / There to offer up his life  
Laid with faith upon the altar / Father's joy and only son  
There salvation was provided / Oh, what full and boundless love

**Refrain**  
Amen! Amen! / From beginning to end  
Christ the story, His the glory / Alleluia! Amen!

Christ, the true and better Moses / Called to lead a people home  
Standing bold to earthly powers / God's great glory to be known  
With his arms stretched wide to heaven / See the waters part in two  
See the veil is torn forever / Cleansed with blood we pass now through **Refrain**

Christ, the true and better David / Lowly shepherd, mighty king  
He the champion in the battle / Where, O death, is now thy sting?  
In our place He bled and conquered / Crown Him Lord of majesty  
His shall be the throne forever / We shall e'er His people be **Refrain x2**

*\*Children Dismissed to Little Church*

### God Counsels Us through His Word

**Scripture Reading:** *Luke 20.41-21.4*

**Sermon:** *More to Him Than We Think*

### God Commissions Us to Serve Him

**Creed:** *Colossians 1.15-20*

**He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by  
him all things were created, in heaven and on the earth, visible and in-  
visible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things  
were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in  
him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church. He  
is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might  
be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,  
and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in  
heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.**

**Hymn of Response:** *In Christ Alone*

In Christ alone, my hope is found / He is my light, my strength, my song  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground / Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love, what depths of peace / When fears are stilled, when strivings cease  
My Comforter, my All in All / Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh / Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness / Scorned by the ones He came to save  
'Til on that cross as Jesus died / The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid / Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay / Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day / Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory / Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine / Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death / This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath / Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell, no scheme of man / Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home / Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

**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.