

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

*I am persuaded that God's happiness is inseparably linked in with His holiness.
Holiness and happiness are like light and heat. God never tasted one of the pleasures of sin...
I often pray, "Lord, make me as holy as a pardoned sinner can be made."*

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship:

Psalm 99:1-5

Leader: The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!
He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

**People: The LORD is great in Zion;
He is exalted over all the peoples.**

Leader: Let them praise your great and awesome name!
Holy is he!

**People: The King in his might loves justice. You have established equity;
You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

Leader: Exalt the LORD our God;
Worship at his footstool!

All: Holy is he!

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise:

***Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!
Trinity #198***

Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates!
Behold, the King of glory waits;
The King of kings is drawing near,
The Savior of the world is here.

A helper just he comes to thee,
His chariot is humility,
His kingly crown is holiness,
His scepter, pity in distress.

O blest the land, the city blest,
Where Christ the Ruler is confessed!
O happy hearts and happy homes
To whom this King in triumph comes!

Fling wide the portals of your heart;
Make it a temple, set apart
From earthly use for heav'n's employ,
Adorned with prayer and love and joy.

Redeemer, come! I open wide
My heart to thee; here, Lord, abide!
Let me thy inner presence feel;
Thy grace and love in me reveal.

So come, my Sovereign, enter in!
Let new and nobler life begin!
Thy Holy Spirit, guide us on,
Until the glorious crown be won.

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel:

1 Peter 2:9-10

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel:

1 Peter 1:18-19

..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 and Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving:

Arise, My Soul, Arise

Arise, my soul, arise, / shake off your guilty fears;
The bleeding sacrifice, / in 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
Arise, my soul, arise.
Arise, arise, arise
Arise, my soul, arise.
Shake off your guilty fears and rise

He ever lives above, / for me to intercede;
His all-redeeming love, / His precious blood, to plead;
His blood atoned for every race, / His blood atoned for every 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, O forgive,” they cry, / “Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry,
“Nor let that ransomed sinner die!” **Refrain**

The Father hears Him pray, / His dear anointed One;
He cannot turn away / the presence of His Son;
The Spirit answers to the blood, / The Spirit answers to the blood
And tells me I am born of God. **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**

Prayer of Intercession:

**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.**

**Children dismissed to Little Church*

God Counsels Us through His Word

Scripture Reading:

Exodus 29:1-46; 30:22-38; 40:9-15

Sermon:

Consecration and Ordination

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Creed:

The Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 32. But why are you called a Christians?

Because by faith I am a member of Christ and so I share in his anointing. I am anointed to confess his name, to present myself to him as a living sacrifice of thanks, to strive with a good conscience against sin and the devil in this life, and afterward to reign with Christ over all creation for all eternity.

Hymn of Response:

***When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
Trinity #498***

When I survey the wondrous cross / on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, / and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, / save in the death of Christ my God:
All the vain things that charm me most, / I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, / sorrow and love flow mingled down:
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, / or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, / that were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine, / demands my soul, my life, my all.

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.