

**GOD'S
POWER
TOWARDS**
his people

EPHESIANS

SERIES

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1:15-23



TRINITY
Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP | Sunday, February 13, 2022

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SONG OF GATHERING & PREPARATION

The people of God always sang as they ascended the hill in Jerusalem up to the temple to worship (see Psalms 120-134). We, as well, prepare our hearts, minds, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.

Almighty God

CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 24:1 (ESV)

We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reveals to us who God is and what He expects of us.

The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein.

PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

We pray together praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | Titus 3:4-7 (ESV)

We read God's Word together and are reminded that mercy and grace are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of His church and the kingdom of God.

Holy Holy Holy

PRAISE & CELEBRATION

Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done for us.

No Weapon

Resurrecting

CONFESSION OF FAITH

As an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ in solidarity with his people, we declare the substance of what we believe.

From the New City Catechism:

Q. 7. What does the law of God require?

A. Personal, perfect, and perpetual obedience; that we love God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength; and love our neighbor as ourselves. What God forbids should never be done and what God commands should always be done.

KIDS' WORSHIP & COMMUNITY KIDS' DISMISSAL (Infants - 5th Grade)

Please see your child's check-in name tag for class assignment.

GREETING

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION

We express in prayer our gratitude to God for what He has done and ask Him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and world.

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD | Tim Rice, Lead Pastor & Director of Church Planting

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our lives and circumstances.

SONG OF RESPONSE

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

King Of Kings

BENEDICTION

Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.

May the LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace,
both now and forevermore. Amen.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE & SERMON OUTLINE

Proclamation of God's Word

Text: Ephesians 1:15-23 (ESV)

Title: God's Power Towards His People

Teacher: Tim Rice

¹⁵ For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, ¹⁸ having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might ²⁰ that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²² And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Intro: What do you wish for others? *Or think they need?* Paul prayed ...

OUR PLEA FOR GOD'S WORK

Why was Paul confident about God's work in His people?

VS. NEED IN OUR LIVES

What does the work of God reveal about us?

GIVEN IN LOVE

Who is working on our behalf?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

1. Worship the LORD for His generous love and immeasurable power toward us who believe. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit that He is so willing to share with us His riches.
2. How have you lived in unbelief, either ignoring or denying what He has revealed about Himself and you? Confess your denial of His revelation to you, asking Jesus to forgive you and open your eyes to His work for you.
3. Give thanks to Jesus for His work to redeem us from the guilt and wreckage of our sin. Thank Him for all He has done by His power and Grace that we could never do.
4. Who do you know that needs hope? Ask the Lord to help them and make known to them *His* riches and power freely shared with us in Christ.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you His fruit of His goodness and faithfulness. Pray for a growing confidence in Christ so that you live faithfully with hope and purpose because of His power at work in you.

