

# August 30, 2020 At Home Bulletin

#### **GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

CALL TO WORSHIP\*

Psalm 149

#### INVOCATION\*

#### **SONGS OF PRAISE\***

## This is My Father's World

This is my Father's world and to my list'ning ears
All nature sings and 'round me rings the music of the spheres This
is my Father's world I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees of skies and seas
His hand the wonders wrought

This is my Father's world the birds their carols raise
The morning light the lily white declare their Maker's praise This
is my Father's world He shines in all that's fair
In the rust'ling grass I hear Him pass
He speaks to me ev'rywhere

This is my Father's world O let me ne'er forget
And though the wrong seems oft so strong
God is the Ruler yet
This is my Father's world the battle is not done
Jesus who died shall be satisfied and earth and heaven be one
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## Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea
A great High Priest whose name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on His hands
My name is written on His heart
I know that while in heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart (repeat)

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end to all my sin
Because the sinless Saviour died
My sinful soul is counted free
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me (repeat)

Behold Him there the risen Lamb
My perfect spotless righteousness
The great unchangeable I Am
The King of glory and of grace
One with Himself I cannot die
My soul is purchased with His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Saviour and my God (repeat)

I bow before the cross of Christ
And marvel at this love divine
God's perfect Son was sacrificed
To make me righteous in God's eyes
This river's depths I cannot know
But I can glory in its flood
The Lord Most High has bowed down low
And poured on me His glorious love (repeat)
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#### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

Our Father, forgive us for thinking small thoughts of you and for ignoring your immensity and greatness

Lord Jesus, forgive us when we forget that you rulethe nations and our small lives.

Holy Spirit, we offend you in minimizing your power and squandering your gifts.

We confess that our blindness to your glory, O triune God, has resulted in shallow confession, tepid conviction, and only mild repentance. Have mercy upon us.

~Worship Sourcebook

## SILENT CONFESSION

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 40:1-2

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

#### PROFESSION OF FAITH\*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe i 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 to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended to 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.

## **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

#### **OFFERING OF THANKS**

#### **PRAYER**

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

#### **HYMN OF PREPARATION\***

## **Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

#### **SCRIPTURE READING\***

This is the word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God

<sup>1</sup> How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!

<sup>2</sup> My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

<sup>3</sup> Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

<sup>4</sup> Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise! Selah

<sup>5</sup> Blessed are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

<sup>6</sup> As they go through the Valley of Baca they make it a place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools.

<sup>7</sup> They go from strength to strength; each one appears before God in Zion.

<sup>8</sup> O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob! Selah

<sup>9</sup> Behold our shield, O God;

look on the face of your anointed!

<sup>10</sup> For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

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11 For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor. No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.

<sup>12</sup> O LORD of hosts, blessed is the one who trusts in you!

#### **SERMON**

"Pilgrims - Of Journey & Destination"

~ Pastor Ian Hard

## Outline

Pursuing God's Presence

Leaning on God's Strength

Trusting in God for Good

## **HYMNS OF RESPONSE\***

Christ Our Hope in Live 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 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.

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.

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. (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. (Chorus)

(Tag after last verse only:

Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death.)

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## Rock of Ages

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee; Let the water and the blood, from thy riven side which flowed, Be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill the law's demands; Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow, All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to thy cross I cling; Naked, come to thee for dress; helpless, look to thee for grace; Foul I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath,
When mine eyelids close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown,
See thee on thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.
Augustus Montague Toplady | Thomas Hastings;

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#### **COMMUNION**

If you are following along at home, please refrain from taking Communion as it is a form of worship meant to be celebrated in the physical presence of the body of Christ.

### **BENEDICTION\***