

October 12, 2025 At Home Bulletin

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 100

INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE

To God Be the Glory

To God be the glory, great things he has done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, Who yielded his life an atonement for sin, And opened the life-gate that we may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice! O come to the Father thro' Jesus the son, And give him the glory, great things he has done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood! To ev'ry believer the promise of God; The vilest offender who truly believes, That moment from Jesus forgiveness receives. *(refrain)*

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; But purer and higher and greater will be, Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. *(refrain)* Text: Fanny Crosby; alt. Music: William Doane. Public Domain

Psalm 103

Tune: Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

Bless the LORD, my soul, let all that is within me bless His name. Bless the LORD, my soul, forget not all His mercies to proclaim. He forgives all your transgressions; He heals all disease you face. He redeems your life forever from the pit with love and grace.

He with good does satisfy you; renews youth like eagle's flight He works righteousness and justice for those in oppression's plight. He made known His ways to Moses, deeds to Isr'el from above. The LORD's gracious with compassion, slow to anger, rich in love. He will not accuse forever, nor keep anger in reserve; He does not repay us as our sins and wickedness deserve. High as heav'ns above the earth, so great His love for all who fear;

Far as east is from the west. He's cast our sin and drawn us near.

Bless the LORD, all heav'n-ly hosts who dwell with Him in glory still You, His servants, who obey His ev'ry word and do His will. Bless the LORD, all of His works, from everywhere in His domain. Bless the LORD, my soul—let nothing but His praise in you remain.

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Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness; And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia.

Ask and it shall be given unto you; Seek and you shall find; Knock and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia.

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GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION

Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

Romans 12:9-13

O Lord, we are your children, adopted by grace and made heirs through Christ.

But we are discontent to be children and seek to be masters.

We are unwilling to live in dependence upon Christ.

We have been ashamed to confess that our hope is in a crucified savior.

Hear us as we confess our sin.

We confuse cynicism with maturity, and glorify ambition over humility. We confess that we have allowed our thoughts and words to tear down, instead of building a household of faith knit together in love.

Lord, we have fed on poisoned food and drunk from polluted wells.

Tear down the walls to dependence on you.

May our hunger be solely for Christ, in whom is true nourishment. Help us to be a holy priesthood, offering our lives in sacrifice to you.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hebrews 4:14-16

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

What is justification?

Justification is an act of God's free grace, wherein he pardons all our sins and accepts us as righteous in his sight, only for the righteousness of Christ imputed to us, and received by faith alone.

What is adoption?

Adoption is an act of God's free grace, whereby we are received into the number, and have a right to all the privileges, of the sons of God.

What is sanctification?

Sanctification is the work of God's free grace, whereby we are renewed in the whole man after the image of God, and are enabled more and more to die unto sin, and live unto righteousness.

What are the benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption, and sanctification?

The benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption, and sanctification are, assurance of God's love, peace of conscience, joy in the Holy Ghost, increase of grace, and perseverance therein to the end.

Westminster Shorter Catechism, Questions 33-36

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

RECEPTION OF OFFERINGS

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. Amen.

SONG OF PREPARATION

Speak O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you, to receive the food of your holy Word. Take your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fashion us in your likeness; That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all your purposes for your glory.

Teach us Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility. Test our thoughts and our attitudes, in the radiance of your purity.

Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see your majestic love and authority. Words of pow'r that can never fail; let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;

Help us grasp the heights of your plans for us.

Truths unchanged from the dawn of time that will echo down through eternity.

And by grace we'll stand on your promises;

and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.

Speak, O Lord, til your church is built, and the earth is filled with your glory.

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SCRIPTURE READING

Nehemiah 4:15-23

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"The People are the Mission"

Pastor Ian Hard

HYMN OF RESPONSE

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

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CELEBRATION OF 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.

HYMN OF SENDING *

We Are God's People

We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord, born of his Spirit, established by his Word; our cornerstone is Christ alone, and strong in him we stand: O let us live transparently, and walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

We are God's loved ones, the Bride of Christ our Lord, for we have known it, the love of God outpoured; now let us learn how to return the gift of love once giv'n:

O let us share each joy and care, and live with a zeal that pleases heav'n.

We are the Body of which the Lord is Head, called to obey him, now risen from the dead; he will us be a family, diverse yet truly one:

O let us give our gifts to God, and so shall his work on earth be done.

We are a temple, the Spirit's dwelling place, formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God's grace; we die alone, for on its own each member loses fire: yet joined in one the flames burn on to give warmth and light, and to inspire. Bryan Jeffery Leech | Fred Bock | Johannes Brahms © Words: 1976 Fred Bock Music Company Music: 1976 Fred Bock Music Company

BENEDICTION

Sermon NOTES: The People are the Mission