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**At Home Bulletin**

## **WELCOME**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Hear this all peoples!

**Give ear, all inhabitants of the world,  
both low and high, rich and poor together!**

Truly no man can ransom another  
or give to God the price of his life

**Even the wise die and leave their wealth to others**

Man in his pomp will not remain

**But God will ransom my soul from the power of Sheol  
for he will receive me.**

**Let us praise God who delivers the humble from death!**

*From Psalm 49*

## **INVOCATION**

### **SONGS OF PRAISE**

#### ***All Creatures of Our God and King***

All Creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing alleluia, alleluia!  
Thou rising sun with golden beam,  
Thou, silver moon with softer gleam,

*Chorus:*

O praise him, O praise him,  
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,  
Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along, O praise him, alleluia!  
Thou rising morn in praise rejoice,  
Ye lights of evening, find a voice, *(chorus)*

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,  
Make music for thy Lord to hear, alleluia, alleluia!  
Thou fire so masterful and bright,  
That givest man both warmth and light, *(chorus)*

And all ye men of tender heart,  
Forgiving others, take your part, O sing ye, alleluia!  
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,  
Praise God and on him cast your care. *(chorus)*

Let all things their Creator bless,  
And worship him in humbleness, O praise him, alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, three in one, *(chorus)*

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#### ***Psalm 122***

Tune: Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

#### ***Give Thanks***

Give thanks with a grateful heart  
Give thanks to the Holy One,  
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son. (repeat)

And now let the weak say, "I am strong!"

Let the poor say "I am rich  
because of what the Lord has done for us!" (repeat)

Ending

Give thanks.

*Praise Hymns and Choruses, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed., Maranatha! Music, #7 (red book)*

## **GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION**

If you lend money to any of my people with you who is poor, you shall not be like a moneylender to him, and you shall not exact interest from him. If ever you take your neighbor's cloak in pledge, you shall return it to him before the sun goes down, for that is his only covering, and it is his cloak for his body; in what else shall he sleep? And if he cries to me, I will hear, for I am compassionate. *(Exodus 22:25-27)*

Christ came to bear our sorrows and griefs, and by his wounds we are healed.

**Yet, we all like sheep have gone astray, turning to our own ways.  
We have foolishly closed our eyes  
to the only place to find true mercy and healing.**

Christ is the light of the world.

**But we have been willing to place that light under a bushel,  
instead of placing it high on a hill for all to see.**

**We have failed to invite others to the experience of God's mercy:  
the poor, the dispossessed, the widow, the orphan, the brokenhearted  
the adulterer, the fool, the rich, the powerful.**

Lord, to you, we confess our sins and failures.

**We confess that we have denied our own need of mercy,  
and have failed to display and offer that mercy to others.**

**Restore to us the joy of knowing that we find mercy in Christ.**

**Make us ambassadors of mercy, we pray.**

## SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**2 Corinthians 5:21**

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

### 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

#### *Abide With Me*

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;

The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.

When other helpers, fail and comforts flee,

Help of the helpless, abide with me.

Thou on my head, in early youth didst smile;

And, though rebellious, and perverse meanwhile,

Thou hast not left me, oft as I left Thee,

On to the close Lord, abide with me.

I need Thy presence, every passing hour.

What but Thy grace, can foil the tempter's power?

Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?

Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless

Ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness

Where is thy sting death? Where grave thy victory?

I triumph still, abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross, before my closing eyes;

Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.

Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;

In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.

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### SCRIPTURE READING

Nehemiah 5:1-19

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

“Remove Unjust Burdens”

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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**Sermon NOTES:** Remove Unjust Burdens

## 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.*

## MERCY OFFERING

## HYMN OF SENDING \*

### *Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son!  
Hail, in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun!  
He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free,  
To take away transgression, and rule in equity.

He comes with comfort speedy to those who suffer wrong;  
To help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong;  
To give them songs for sighting, their darkness turn to light,  
Whose souls, condemned and dying, were precious in his sight.

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth;  
And love, joy, hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth;  
Before him on the mountains shall peace, the herald, go;  
And righteousness, in fountains, from hill to valley flow.

O'er ev'ry foe victorious, he on his throne shall rest,  
From age to age more glorious, all blessing and all blessed;  
The tide of time shall never his covenant remove;  
His name shall stand forever - that name to us is Love.

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## BENEDICTION