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CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 65

INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE

Great is the Lord

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just; by His power we trust in His love.
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true; by His mercy He proves He is love.

Great is the Lord and worthy of glory!
Great is the Lord and worthy of praise!
Great is the Lord; now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice!
Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!

(Last Time)

Great are You, Lord, and worthy of glory!
Great are You, Lord, And worthy of praise!
Great are You Lord; I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice:
Great are You, Lord! Great are You, Lord!

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For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth, over and around us lies,

Refrain:

Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light, (*Refrain*)

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,
For the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight, (*Refrain*)

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above, for all gently thoughts and mild, (*Refrain*)

For each perfect gift of thine to our race so freely giv'n,
Graces human and divine, flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n. (*Refrain*)

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GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION

And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea. *Matthew 18:2-6*

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 rule the 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.**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Galatians 4:4-7

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Why do you need forgiveness and salvation?

**None is righteous, no, not one; no one understands;
no one seeks for God. All have turned aside; together they have become
worthless; no one does good, not even one."**

Is the Law able to save you?

**For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since
through the law comes knowledge of sin.**

Where shall you turn for forgiveness and salvation?

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe.

For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith.

Who is this Jesus?

Christ Jesus was promised by God beforehand through his prophets in the Holy Scriptures. He was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead.

Based on Romans, 1:1-5, 3:9-20

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

Luke 18:1-8

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Why Pray?”

Mr. Jeff Foster

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,

and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now,

and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen. 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

Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;

Naught be all else to me, save that thou art –

Thou my best thought by day or by night,

Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;

I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;

Thou my great Father, I thy true son;

Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my battle shield, sword for my fight;

Be thou my dignity, thou my delight;

Thou my soul’s shelter, thou my high tow’r:

Raise thou me heav’nward, O Pow’r of my pow’r.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou my inheritance, now and always:
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision O Ruler of all.

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BENEDICTION

Sermon NOTES: Why Pray?