

# November 14, 2021 At Home Bulletin

#### GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Let us worship God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ. We are new creations; the old has gone; the new has come!

Let us worship God as Christ's ambassadors. Through us and through our worship may we announce the good news to all.

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

Praise God! We are reconciled, redeemed, renewed!

### **INVOCATION\***

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

# Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Come, Christians, join to sing, Alleluia! Amen! loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen! let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice; praise is his gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen! let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen! he is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll condescend; his love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen! life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen! on heaven's blissful shore, his goodness we'll adore, singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

Text: Christian H. Bateman, 1893; Music: Traditional

# Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need thy tender care; in thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use thy folds prepare: blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast bought us, thine we are; blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast bought us, thine we are.

We are thine; do thou befriend us, be the guardian of our way; keep thy flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray: blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear, O hear us when we pray; blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear, O hear us when we pray.

Thou hast promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be; thou hast mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free: blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, let us early turn to thee; blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, let us early turn to thee.

Early let us seek thy favor; early let us do thy will; blessed Lord and only Savior, with thy love our bosoms fill: blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast loved us, love us still, blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast loved us, love us still. Hymn for the Young 1836, attr. Dorothy Anne thrupp; SHEPHERD, William B. Bradbury 1859

#### CONFESSION OF SIN

Holy God, full of glory and majesty,

we confess that we have not loved you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. We have not placed you first in our lives, but have subsumed your mission under our own self interests.

Forgive us, O Lord.

Creator and sustainer of all humanity,

we have not loved each other as bearers of your image. In putting ourselves first, we have rejected Christ's example of a servant. Father, forgive our pride, self-orientation, and ambition which deny that we are free only when we follow you. Restore to us a grasp of your glory and your goodness which enable us to follow after you.

### SILENT CONFESSION

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

I Peter 2:24-25

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

## PROFESSION OF FAITH

Christians, what do you believe?

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in 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.

Apostles Creed

## **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

#### **OFFERING OUR GIFTS**

# **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.

## **HYMN OF PREPARATION \***

#### Guide Me Oh Thou Great Jehovah

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy pow'rful hand; Bread of heaven feed me now and evermore; bread of heaven feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing waters flow; let the fiery cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong deliv'rer be thou still my strength and shield, strong deliv'rer be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; Death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side; Songs of praises I will ever give to thee, songs of praises I will ever give to thee. Text: William Williams, 1717-1791; Tune: Jeremy Casella

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

Matthew 7:15-23

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

# **SERMON**

"Watching for Wolves"

#### **OUTLINE:**

Why we need to watch out

What we should be watching for

## **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.

## **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**

# Take My Life and Let It Be

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee. Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love. Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee, swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing, always, only, for my King. Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from thee, filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect, and use ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose, ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne, it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store. Take my self, and I will be ever, only, all for thee, ever, only, all for thee.

Words, Frances R. Havergal, 1874; HENDON, Henri A. César Malan, 1827.

## **BENEDICTION\***