

*February 25, 2024* At Home Bulletin

# CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. **Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.** 

Praise the LORD, you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding, who obey his word.

Praise the LORD, all his heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will. Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion. Praise the LORD, O my soul.

Psalm 103

## **INVOCATION**

### SONGS OF PRAISE

#### O, Worship the King

O worship the King all-glorious above, O gratefully sing his pow'r and his love; our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the light, whose canopy space. His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, your pow'r has founded of old; has 'stablished it fast by a changeless decree, and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Your bountiful care what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air; it shines in the light; it streams from the hills; it descends to the plain; and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in you do we trust, nor find you to fail; your mercies how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend! O measureless Might! Ineffable Love! While angels delight to hymn you above, the humbler creation, though feeble their lays, with true adoration shall lisp to your praise. Robert Grant © Public Domain

**Psalm 92** Tune: Rejoice, the Lord is King

# GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION

You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain. *Exodus 20:7* 

Great God, hear our prayer of confession.

O Lord, you know our hearts, our sin, our distress. We cannot hide from you, as hard as we try. Whether we go to the highest peaks or the deepest pits, you are there.

Lord, heal our infirmity, our sickness of heart and soul.

Forgive us for denying our need of you. Forgive us from running from you. Forgive us for thinking we can heal ourselves,

Lord, you are the giver of life, the healer of nations. **Restore us with your gracious love. Give us joy at your healing touch.** 

# 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**

#### Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continues to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, forever.

What offices does Christ execute as our Redeemer?

Christ, as our Redeemer, executes the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in his estate of humiliation and exaltation.

How does Christ execute the office of a prophet? Christ executes the office of a prophet, in revealing to us, by his word and Spirit, the will of God for our salvation.

How does Christ execute the office of a priest?

Christ executes the office of a priest, in his once offering up of himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice, and reconcile us to God, and in making continual intercession for us.

How does Christ execute the office of a king? Christ executes the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q&A 21, 23-26

### **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

I John 5:1-2

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments.

# **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.

# HYMN OF PREPARATION

#### A Mighty Fortress

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing Our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe His craft and power are great and armed with cruel hate On earth is not his equal. Did we in our own strength confide our striving would be losing Were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing Dost ask who that may be, Christ Jesus it is He Lord Sabaoth His name from age to age the same And He must win the battle.

And though this world with devils filled should threaten to undo us We will not fear for God hath willed, His truth to triumph through us The prince of darkness grim, We tremble not for him His rage we can endure for lo his doom is sure One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly pow'rs no thanks to them abideth The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also The body they may kill, God's truth abideth still His kingdom is forever. Words: Martin Luther. Public Domain.

#### SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 4:31-44

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

# SERMON

"A New Sheriff in Town"

Pastor Ian Hard

# **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. Public Domain

# **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

#### Victory In Jesus

I heard an old old story, how a Savior came from glory How He gave His life on Calvary To save a wretch like me I heard about His groaning, of His precious blood's atoning Then I repented of my sins and won the victory. *(chorus)* 

#### Chorus

O victory in Jesus My Savior forever He sought me and bought me With His redeeming blood He loved me ere I knew Him And all my love is due Him He plunged me to victory Beneath the cleansing flood

I heard about His healing of His cleansing pow'r revealing How He made the lame to walk again and caused the blind to see And then I cried dear Jesus come and heal my broken spirit And somehow Jesus came and brought to me the victory. *(chorus)* I heard about a mansion He has built for me in glory And I heard about the streets of gold beyond the crystal sea About the angels singing and the old redemption story And some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory. *(chorus)* CCLI Song # 1259 Eugene M. Bartlett © Words: 1939 Mrs. E.M. Bartlett. Renewed 1967 Albert E. Brumley And Sons (Admin. by ClearBox Rights, LLC) Music: 1939 Mrs. E.M. Bartlett. Renewed 1967 Albert E. Brumley And Sons (Admin. by ClearBox Rights, LLC) *For use solely with the SongSelect*® Terms of Use. *All rights reserved*. www.celi.com CCLI License # 1843136 Eleanor Henrietta Hull | Mary Elizabeth Byrne © Public Domain

# BENEDICTION

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