The Reconciliation Song (continued)

Oh, let us be the generation
Of reconciliation and peace,
And let us build on one foundation
'Til He comes and the wars of men shall cease,
Let us share the love of Jesus
Without hypocrisy;
Let mercy and forgiveness

Begin with you and me.

Let us be the generation Of reconciliation and peace.

Bridge:

Have we not one Father?

Have we not one faith?

Have we not one calling To become one holy race?

Oh, let us be the generation

Of reconciliation and peace.

And let us pray for restoration And seek the Lord together

On our knees.

Let us keep our hearts from evil

And cling to what is good;

Let us honor one another

And love the brotherhood.

Let us be the generation

Of reconciliation and peace.

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BENEDICTION *

We are a family in Christ worshipping in Spirit and truth, growing together in God's grace, and connecting the community with the gospel.

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GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 103

(Trinity Hymnal, page 821)

SONGS OF PRAISE *

Blessed be the Lord God Almighty

Father in heaven, how we love You, We lift Your name in all the earth. May Your kingdom be established in our praises, As Your people declare Your mighty works.

Chorus:

Blessed be the Lord God Almighty, Who was, and is, and is to come, Blessed be the Lord God Almighty, Who reigns forevermore. (Repeat entire song)

(Repeat chorus)
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How Great Thou Art

Hymn 44

INVOCATION *

* Stand as you are able **Bold Print** – speak together in unison

CONFESSION OF SIN

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 Colossians 2:13-14

And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

PROFESSION OF FAITH *

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.

~ Apostle's Creed

CHILDREN'S SERMON

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

For parents who are interested in nursery care

Children 3 and under may be brought to the nursery at this time. Please plan to pick your child up after the sermon.

PRAYER

HYMN OF PREPARATION *

Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive

Hymn 494

SCRIPTURE READING *

Philemon 17-25 (pew Bible, page 1000)

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

SERMON

"The Costs of Forgiveness"

~ 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

COMMUNION

Wine is in the inner rings of the tray in purple colored cups.

Juice is in the outer ring of the tray in clear cups.

SONG OF SENDING *

The Reconciliation Song

Of reconciliation and peace.

Oh, let us be the generation
Of reconciliation and peace,
And let us be a holy nation
Where pride and prejudice shall cease.
Let us speak the truth in love
To the lost and least of these;
Let us serve the Lord in unity
So others will believe.
Let us be the generation