

March 9, 2025 At Home Bulletin

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.

He will receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation. Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

O magnify the LORD with me. **Let us exalt God's name together!** Psalm 24:3-6 & 34:3

INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE

Brethren We Have Met to Worship

Brethren we have met to worship and adore the Lord our God Will you pray with all your power while we try to preach the Word All is vain unless the Spirit of the Holy One comes down Brethren pray and holy manna will be showered all around

Brethren see poor sinners 'round you slumb'ring on the brink of woe Death is coming hell is moving can you bear to let them go See our fathers and our mothers and our children sinking down Brethren pray and holy manna will be showered all around

Sisters will you join and help us Moses' sister aided him Will you help the trembling mourners who are struggling hard with sin Tell them all about the Savior tell them that He will be found Sisters pray and holy manna will be showered all around

Let us love our God supremely let us love each other too Let us love and pray for sinners till our God makes all things new Then He'll call us home to heaven at His table we'll sit down Christ will gird Himself and serve us with sweet manna all around George Atkins | William Moore. Words: Public Domain; Music: Public Domain

Psalm 23

Come Ye Sinners

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore; Jesus, ready, stands to save you, full of pity, joined with power. He is able, He is able; He is willing; doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come, and welcome, God's free bounty glorify; True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh. Without money, without money come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall; If you tarry 'til you're better, you will never come at all. Not the righteous, not the righteous; sinner Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream; All the fitness He requires is to feel your need of Him. This He gives you, this He gives you, 'tis the Spirit's rising beam. Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended; pleads the merit of His blood. Venture on Him; venture wholly, let no other trust intrude. None but Jesus, none but Jesus can do helpless sinners good.

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CONFESSION

Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law. *Romans* 13:8-10

Lord, we come to you for forgiveness.

We have professed "Jesus is Lord" with our mouth but declare "I am Lord" with our actions.

Instead of using your gracious blessings to build up and serve one another, we have used them selfishly.

Forgive us for our pride, arrogance and vanity.

Lord, we come to you for mercy.

You have given us all things, and we have squandered your gifts. Forgive us, for we have valued your gifts instead of You, who gives all good things.

Restore to us a unity in spirit where all we have, do, and say is for the glory of Christ.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

I John 4:9-10

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Who is Jesus Christ?

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. By him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities.

What has Christ done?

All things were created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the Church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. In him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Why should we follow and worship Christ?

He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power.

After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

-Adapted from Colossians 1:15-20 & Hebrews 1:1-4

CHILDREN'S SERMON

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

His Mercy is More

What love could remember no wrongs we have done; Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum. Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore; Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

Chorus

Praise the Lord! His mercy is more. Stronger than darkness, new every morn; Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

What patience would wait as we constantly roam; What Father, so tender, is calling us home. He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor; Our sins they are many, His mercy is more. *(chorus)*

What riches of kindness He lavished on us; His blood was the payment, His life was the cost. We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford; Our sins they are many, His mercy is more. *(chorus)*

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SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 18:9-30

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Approaching the King"

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. 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

Jesus Loves Me This I Know

Jesus loves me, this I know: for the Bible tells me so: Little ones to him belong, they are weak but he is strong.

Refrain:

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me, he who died, heaven's gates to open wide; He will wash away my sin, let his little child come in.

Jesus loves me, loves me still, though I'm very weak and ill; From his shining throne on high comes to watch me where I lie.

Jesus loves me, he will stay close beside me all the way: if I love him, when I die he will take me home on high.

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BENEDICTION

Sermon NOTES: Approaching the King