



*April 28, 2024*  
**At Home Bulletin**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Our souls magnify the Lord!  
**Our spirits rejoice in God our Savior!**

The mighty One has done great things for us!  
**Holy is God's name!**

Let us worship God.  
**For God is our Maker and our Redeemer;**  
**from generation to generation, God gives mercy.**

*Luke 1:46-50*

## **INVOCATION**

## **SONGS OF PRAISE**

### ***Psalm 100***

Tune: *Doxology*

### ***Holy, Holy, Holy***

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around a glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
Who wert, and art, and evermore shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see;  
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee  
Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

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## ***In Christ Alone***

In Christ alone my hope is found. He is my Light, my strength, my song.  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.  
My Comforter, my all in all – Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless Babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.  
'Til on that cross as Jesus died the wrath of God was satisfied,  
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid – Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay – Light of the world by darkness slain.  
Then bursting forth in glorious day Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
For I am His and He is mine – bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me.  
From life's first cry, to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand,  
'Til He returns or calls me home – Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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## **GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION**

### ***8-10th Commandments***

You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.  
You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your  
neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox,  
or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's. *Exodus 20:15-17*

To you, O Lord, belongs all glory, honor, and power.

**Together we confess that we have not offered you  
the glory and praise due your name.  
We have placed ourselves at the center of the universe,  
instead of glorifying you, the Creator of all things.**

Behold, you are making all things new.

**Forgive us for reducing the grandeur of your redemptive work to an act just about us.**

**Forgive us for forgetting that you revealed in Christ your plan to unite all things in him, things in heaven and on earth.**

**Forgive us, for we have made ourselves so very big and you so very small.**

**Restore to us a motivation from your salvation to be your servants declaring your wonder in all that we do.**

**Forgive us and restore us even now, we pray.**

## SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Colossians 1:11-14

May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

## PROFESSION OF FAITH

Christian, how does our story begin?

**In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God.**

**All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made, in him was life and the life was the light of men.**

Did the Word remain in Heaven with God?

**The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.**

Who is the Word?

**The Word is Jesus Christ, and though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.**

Why did Christ do this?

**Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures. He was buried, and he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.**

**Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen**

*-Adapted from John 1, Philipians 2, 1 Corinthians 15*

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

*Ephesians 1:3-4*

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him.

## 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

### *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

O soul, are you weary and troubled? No light in the darkness you see?

There's light for a look at the Savior, and life more abundant and free!

Refrain:

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face,  
and the things of earth will grow strangely dim  
in the light of his glory and grace.

Through death into life everlasting he passed and we follow him there;  
over us sin no more hath dominion-for more than conquerors we are! *Refrain*

His Word shall not fail you- he promised; believe him, and all will be well:  
then go to a world that is dying, his perfect salvation to tell! *Refrain*

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## SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 7: 1-7

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

## SERMON

“Christ’s Compassion”

Pastor Ian Hard

## HYMN OF RESPONSE\*

### *He is Lord*

He is Lord, He is Lord, He is risen from the dead and He is Lord.

Ev’ry knee shall bow, ev’ry tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

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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.*

## **MERCY OFFERING**

## **HYMN OF SENDING**

### ***Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing***

Come Thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace  
Streams of mercy never ceasing all for songs of loudest praise  
Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above  
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer hither by Thy help I'm come  
And I hope by Thy good pleasure safely to arrive at home  
Jesus sought me when a stranger wand'ring from the fold of God  
He to rescue me from danger interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be  
Let Thy grace Lord like a fetter bind my wand'ring heart to Thee  
Prone to wander Lord I feel it prone to leave the God I love  
Here's my heart Lord take and seal it weal it for Thy courts above.

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## **BENEDICTION**

**Sermon NOTES:** Christ's Compassion