

July 6, 2025 At Home Bulletin

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

As the deer pants for flowing streams, so pant our souls for you, O God. Our souls thirst for God, for the living God.

By day the Lord commands his steadfast love, and at night his song is with us. Hope in God; for we shall again praise him, our salvation and our God.

We shall go with the throng and lead them in procession to the house of God with glad shouts and songs of praise, a multitude keeping festival.

Adapted from Psalm 42

INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE

Holy, Holy, Holy

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

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! 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! 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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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 dominionfor more than conqu'rors 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)*

Psalm 91

Tune: Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION

"Again, you have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'Do not break your oath, but fulfill to the Lord the vows you have made.' But I tell you, do not swear an oath at all: either by heaven, for it is God's throne; or by the earth, for it is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the Great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make even one hair white or black. All you need to say is simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one."

Matthew 5:33-37

Our Father in heaven,

Father, forgive us for not approaching you with confidence, expectation, and reverence.

Hallowed be your name.

Father, forgive us for constantly trying to put our name forward

instead of yours.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Father, forgive us for seeking to build a kingdom for ourselves, for being more concerned about our nation prospering than your kingdom advancing, and for resisting your will when it doesn't match up with ours.

Give us this day our daily bread.

Father, forgive us for wanting more than we have, for collecting things we do not need, and for being so focused on our individual situation, that we do not see our brothers and sisters in need.

Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

Father, forgive us for thinking that we could or should withhold our sin from you, and for seeking mercy while withholding it from others.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Father, forgive us for so often pursuing evil, not just in our hearts and minds, but with our words and deeds.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Father, forgive us for putting so much effort into that which is temporary, when you welcome us into your kingdom forever.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ephesians 1:4-8

In love he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Christians, what do we believe?

We believe in one God the Father Almighty;

Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made,

being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary,

and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

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

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

Under the shadow of your throne your saints have dwelt secure; sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame, from everlasting you are God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in your sight are like an evening gone; short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

The busy tribes of flesh and blood, with all their lives and cares, are carried downward by your flood, and lost in foll'wing years.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all its sons away; they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the op'ning day.

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come: O be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

Isaac Watts (1719: Alt. 1990, mod.)

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 120-121

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"God's Ever-Present Help"

Pastor Doug Warren

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.

MERCY OFFERING

HYMN OF SENDING

God of Our Fathers

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne; hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own: awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side, rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified: no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of peace; whose pow'r a scepter sways from pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer and praise: his reign shall know no end; and round his pierced feet fair flow'rs of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time; Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime: all hail, Redeemer, hail! for thou hast died for me: thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity. Matthew Bridges (1851); music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey (1868)

BENEDICTION

Sermon NOTES: God's Ever-Present Help