

SONG OF SENDING *

Across the Lands

You're the Word of God the Father,
From before the world began;
Ev'ry star and ev'ry planet
Has been fashioned by Your hand.
All creation holds together
By the power of Your voice:
Let the skies declare Your glory,
Let the land and seas rejoice!

Chorus:

You're the author of creation,
You're the Lord of ev'ry man;
And Your cry of love rings out
Across the lands.

Yet You left the gaze of angels,
Came to seek and save the lost,
And exchanged the joy of heaven
For the anguish of a cross.
With a prayer You fed the hungry,
With a word You stilled the sea.
Yet how silently You suffered
That the guilty may go free. (*Chorus*)

With a shout You rose victorious,
Wresting victory from the grave,
And ascended into heaven
Leading captives in Your wake.
Now You stand before the Father
Interceding for Your own.
From each tribe and tongue and nation
You are leading sinners home. (*Chorus*)

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*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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*“For the foolishness of God is wiser than men,
and the weakness of God is stronger than men.”*

~ 1 Corinthians 1:25

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 96

Trinity Hymnal, page 819

SONGS OF PRAISE *

Here I Am to Worship

Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness,
Opened my eyes, let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore You,
Hope of a life spent with You. (*Chorus*)

Chorus:

So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that You're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
Altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, oh, so highly exalted,
Glorious in heaven above.

Humbly You came to the earth You created,
All for love's sake became poor. (*Chorus*)

Bridge:

And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross.
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross. (*Chorus*)

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** Stand as you are able*

Bold Print – speak together in unison

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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INVOCATION *

CONFESSION OF SIN

Father, we come to confess our sins to you.
You have sent your Son to make us sons.

**Yet we have been ungracious with the grace
we have received.**

**We have kept at arm's length
those that would be drawn near.**

You have chosen to use the foolish things of the world
to shame the wise.

**Forgive us Lord, for our worldly perspective.
Forgive us for thinking ourselves righteous
and deserving.**

**Forgive us for forgetting that it is by grace
we have been saved.**

Restore us that we might have eyes to see the Lord
as our savior.

**Teach us to embrace the sojourner and the alien,
the widow and the orphan, the young and the old,
the weak and the broken.**

**Help us declare to all that would hear,
the good news of Christ.**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON 1 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 *

**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.**

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

SONG OF PREPARATION *

Step by Step

Oh, God, You are my God and I will ever praise You.
Oh, God, You are my God, and I will ever praise You.
I will seek You in the morning,
And I will learn to walk in Your ways,
And step by step You'll lead me,
And I will follow You all of my days. *(Repeat all)*

I will seek You in the morning,
And I will learn to walk in Your ways,
And step by step You'll lead me,
And I will follow You all of my days.

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SCRIPTURE READING *

Acts 17:16-34

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

SERMON

“Making Known the Unknown” 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

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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.