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At Home Bulletin

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the LORD, O my soul;
all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

Praise the LORD, you his angels,
you mighty ones who do his bidding, who obey his word.

Praise the LORD, all his heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will.

Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion.

Praise the LORD, O my soul.

Psalm 103

INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all praise we would render; O help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

Text: Walter Chambers Smith (1867); Music: JOANNA (OR ST. DENIO)

How Great is Our God

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice
He wraps himself in Light, and darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice, trembles at His voice.

Chorus 1:

How great is our God, sing with me how great is our God, and all will see
How great, how great is our God.

Age to age He stands, and time is in His hands
Beginning and the end, beginning and the end
The Godhead Three in One; Father, Spirit, Son
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb. *Chorus 1*

Chorus 2:

Name above all names, worthy of our praise
My heart will sing how great is our God. *Chorus 1*

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Psalm 43

Tune: O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION

You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will
not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain. *Exodus 20:7*

Our Father, forgive us for thinking small thoughts of you
and for ignoring your immensity and greatness

**Lord Jesus, forgive us when we forget that you rule
the nations and our small lives.**

Holy Spirit, we offend you in minimizing your power
and squandering your gifts.

**We confess that our blindness to your glory, O triune God,
has resulted in shallow confession,
tepid conviction, and only mild repentance. Have mercy upon us**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

I Peter 1:3-5

According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is
imperishable, undefiled, unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power
are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last
time.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Christians, what do we believe?

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin
Mary, and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Nicene Creed

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

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

Nehemiah 2:1-8

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“The Power of the God of Heaven”

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 Amen.

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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.*

HYMN OF SENDING

All Must Be Well

Through the love of God our Savior, all will be well
Free and changeless is His favor, all is well
Precious is the blood that healed us
Perfect is the grace that sealed us
Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us
All must be well.

Though we pass through tribulation, all will be well
Ours is such a full salvation, all is well
Happy still in God confiding
Fruitful if in Christ abiding
Steadfast through the Spirit's guiding
All must be well.

We expect a bright tomorrow; all will be well
Faith can sing through days of sorrow, all is well
On our Father's love relying
Jesus every need supplying
Yes in living or in dying
All must be well.

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BENEDICTION

Sermon NOTES: The Power of the God of Heaven