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At Home Bulletin

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 30

INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE

10,000 Reasons

Chorus:

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes. (*chorus*)

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger.
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing;
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. (*chorus*)

And on that day, when my strength is failing,
The end draws near, and my time has come;
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending –
Ten thousand years, and then forevermore! (*chorus*)

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How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed;
for I am your God, and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call you to go,
the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
for I will be with you, your troubles to bless,
and sanctify to you your deepest distress.

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply;
the flame shall not hurt you; I only design
your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

E'en down to old age all my people shall prove
my sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;
and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn,
like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

Text: Rippon's *Selection of Hymns*, 1787; alt.; mod.
Tune: FOUNDATION, Traditional American Melody

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*

Christ the righteous lamb died for us the unrighteous and the rebellious.
Forgive us for our willful forgetfulness of what you have done on our behalf.

The nations rage against your reign
And when we feel the heat of that rage we question our safety with you.
We have doubted the security of your deliverance, your words of assurance.

Gracious God, we appeal to your mercy.

Restore us to the secure hope we have in Christ and strengthen us for the work of glorifying you.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Titus 2:11-14

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

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

Psalm 31:1-16

Tune: All Glory, Laud, and Honor

SCRIPTURE READING

Nehemiah 2:9-20

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Building in the Face of Enemies & Obstacles”

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.*

MERCY OFFERING

HYMN OF SENDING *

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy pow'rful hand;
Bread of heaven feed me now and evermore;
bread of heaven feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing waters flow;
let the fiery cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliv'rer be thou still my strength and shield,
strong deliv'rer be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side;
Songs of praises I will ever give to thee,
songs of praises I will ever give to thee.

Text: William Williams, 1717-1791; Tune: Jeremy Casella

BENEDICTION

Sermon NOTES: Building in the Face of Enemies & Obstacles