



September 24, 2023 – At Home Bulletin

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 67

INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

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All Thy works with joy surround Thee, earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Singing bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in Thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blessed,
Wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother, all who live in love are Thine;
Each us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the happy chorus, which the morning stars began;
Father love is reigning over us, brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us Sunward in the triumph song of life.

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Psalm 133

Tune: *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION

Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good.
Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord.
Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.
Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

Romans 12:9-13

O Lord, we are your children, adopted by grace
and made heirs through Christ.

But we are discontent to be children and seek to be masters.

We are unwilling to live in dependence upon Christ.

We have been ashamed to confess that our hope is in a crucified savior.

Hear us as we confess our sin.

We confuse cynicism with maturity, and glorify ambition over humility.

**We confess that we have allowed our thoughts and words to tear down,
instead of building a household of faith knit together in love.**

Lord, we have fed on poisoned food and drunk from polluted wells.

Tear down the walls to dependence on you.

May our hunger be solely for Christ, in whom is true nourishment.

Help us to be a holy priesthood, offering our lives in sacrifice to you.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

I John 1:7-9

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM & RECEPTION OF A NEW MEMBER

Keith Dobens

Child of the Living God

You are a child of the living God. Praise the Lord, amen.

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Alleluia! Alleluia!

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PROFESSION OF FAITH

Who were we?

For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way.

Who are we?

For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him.

For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for we are all one in Christ Jesus. And if we are Christ's, then we are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

Who will we be?

And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

Adapted from Is 53; Rom 3; 10; Rev 21

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

Shine Thou Upon Us Lord

Shine thou upon us, Lord, true light of men, today,
and through the written Word thy very self display,
that so from hearts which burn with gazing on thy face
thy little ones may learn the wonders of thy grace.

Breathe thou upon us, Lord, thy Spirit's living flame,
that so with one accord our lips may tell thy name.
Give thou the hearing ear, fix thou the wand'ring thought,
that those we teach may hear the great things thou hast wrought.

Speak thou for us, O Lord, in all we say of thee;
according to thy Word let all our teaching be,
that so thy lambs may know their own true Shepherd's voice,
where'er he leads them go, and in his love rejoice.

Live thou within us, Lord; thy mind and will be ours;
be thou lov'd, adored, and served with all our pow'rs,
that so our lives may teach thy children what thou art,
and plead, by more than speech, for thee with ev'ry heart.

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SCRIPTURE READING

I Corinthians 16:13-24

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“P.S. XOXOXO”

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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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

Let us Love and Sing and Wonder

Let us love and sing and wonder let us praise the Savior's name
He has hushed the law's loud thunder. He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame
He has washed us with His blood (3xs)
He has brought us nigh to God

Let us love the Lord who bought us, itied us when enemies
Called us by His grace and taught us. Gave us ears and gave us eyes
He has washed us with His blood (3xs)
He presents our souls to God

Let us sing though fierce temptation threatens hard to bear us down
For the Lord our strong salvation olds in view the conqu'ror's crown
He who washed us with His blood (3xs)
Soon will bring us home to God

Let us wonder grace and justice. Join and point to mercy's store
When through grace in Christ our trust is justice smiles and asks no more
He who washed us with His blood (3xs)
Has secured our way to God

Let us praise and join the chorus of the saints enthroned on high
Here they trusted Him before us. Now their praises fill the sky
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood (3xs)
Thou art worthy Lamb of God

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