

Lord's Day Service



At Church of the King on June 25th, 2023

The 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time

"Jesus said, "If you love Me, keep My commandments." John 14:15

Call to Worship: Where God Calls Us Into His Presence

Hear Today's Call to Worship from God's Word: [congregation standing]

"The hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in Spirit and in truth." John 4:23,24 **Come Worship the Father, Son and Holy Spirit!**

God's People Respond With a Hymn of Adoration: [based on Psalm 145:10]

O worship the King all glorious above,	All hail to the King, in splendor enthroned.
O gratefully sing his power and His love.	Glad praises we bring, Thy wonders made known;
Our shield and defender, the ancient of days,	Returning victorious great conqueror of sin,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.	King Jesus, all glorious, our victory will win.

Salutation and Response: [based on Matthew 28:19, Ruth 2:4 and John 3:16]

In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit

Amen!

Jehovah be with you!

And also with you!

For God so loved the world,

That He gave His only begotten Son.

That whoever believes in Him

Should not perish but have everlasting life!

Confession of Sins: Where God Cleanses Us In Christ

"For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed." John 3:20

The Call for Confession from God's Word:

"Jesus rose from supper and laid aside His garments, took a towel and girded Himself. After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded. Then He came to Simon Peter. And Peter said to Him, "Lord, are You washing my feet?" Jesus answered and said to him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but you will know after this." Peter said to Him, "You shall never wash my feet!" Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me." Simon Peter said to Him, "Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head!" Jesus said to him, "He who is bathed needs only to wash his feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean. John 13:4-12a

God's People sing our Hymn of Confession:

[congregation standing]

Holy Father, Hear My Cry

Horatius Bonar, 1843

Gregory D. Wilbur, 2010

The musical score is written in 3/4 time and consists of two systems. The first system has a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a common time signature (C). The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are as follows:

1. Ho - ly Fa - ther, hear my cry; Ho - ly Sav - ior, bend Thine ear;
2. Fa - ther, save me from my sin; Sav - ior, I Thy mer - cy crave;
3. Fa - ther, let me taste Thy love; Sav - ior, fill my soul with peace;
4. Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it— Thou One Je - ho - vah, shed a - broad

Ho - ly Spir - it, come Thou nigh; Fa - ther, Sav - ior, Spir - it, hear.
Gra - cious Spir - it, make me clean: Fa - ther, Sav - ior, Spir - it, save.
Spir - it, come my heart to move: Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it, bless.
All Thy grace with - in me now; Be my Fa - ther and my God.

Silent Confession: "Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water." John 7:37b-38

Those who are willing and able are invited to kneel for our time of confession.

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

We confess to Almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and before all the company of heaven, that we have sinned, in thought, word and deed, through our fault, our own fault, our own most grievous fault; wherefore, we pray Almighty God to have mercy upon us, to forgive us all our sins, and to make clean our hearts. For we pray in the Father's love, pleading the shed blood of Christ His Son, through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Arise and Receive the Assurance of Pardon & Forgiveness

“Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, “If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. “And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.” They answered Him, “We are Abraham's descendants, and have never been in bondage to anyone. How *can* You say, ‘You will be made free?’” Jesus answered them, “Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin. “And a slave does not abide in the house forever, *but* a son abides forever. “Therefore, if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.” John 8:31-36

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for our sins and to be raised for our justification; and for His sake forgives us all our sins. This I declare in the name and authority of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Having confessed our sins with faith in the completed work of Christ on our behalf, we are forgiven; we have been cleansed and clothed in the righteousness of Jesus. And not only that, we are now **in** Christ and **in** Him we are in the heavenly places, in the very midst of the blessed Trinity with the Saints of all the ages, from every tongue, tribe and nation prepared to worship in the beauty of holiness. **Come, let us worship the Lord!**

Come Bless the Father:

Come bless the Fath - er, all you ser - vants of the Son, who stand by the Spir - it in the
House of the Lord. Lift up your hands to the Ho - ly Place and bless your God.
May the Lord _____ bless you from Zi - on, He Who made hea - ven and earth. _____

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up un - to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God!

It is pro - per and right to do so.

Truly it is proper and right that we should at all times and in all places give praise to you O Lord, so with the angels and all the company of heaven and with the Church on earth, we praise and magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising you & singing:

God's People Sing a Hymn of Thanks:

2 pages [congregation standing]

"And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; for You were slain, And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation," Revelation 5:9

My Soul, Thy Great Creator Praise

Selections from Psalm 104

BRIDGEWATER (L.M).

Lewis Edson, 1782

Issac Watts, 1707

1. My soul, thy great Cre - a - tor praise; — When clothed in His ce - les - tial rays, —

He in full maj - est - y — ap -
He in full
He in full maj - est - y ap - pears, And like a

He in full maj - est - y ap - pears, And, like a robe, His glo - ry
pears, And like a robe His glo - ry wears.
maj - est - y ap - pears, And like a robe His glo - ry wears.
robe His glo - ry wears, And like a robe His glo - ry wears.

wears, And like a robe His glo - ry wears.

2. The heav'ns are for his curtains spread,
The unfathomed deep he makes his bed.
Clouds are his chariot when he flies
On wingèd storms across the skies.
3. Angels, whom his own breath inspires,
His ministers, are flaming fires;
And swift as thought their armies move
To bear his vengeance or his love.
4. Vast are thy works, Almighty Lord;
All nature rests upon thy word,
And the whole race of creatures stands
Waiting their portion from thy hands.
5. But when thy face is hid, they mourn,
And, dying, to their dust return;
Both man and beast their souls resign;
Life, breath, and spirit, all is thine.
6. Yet thou canst breathe on dust again,
And fill the world with beasts and men;
A word of thy creating breath
Repairs the wastes of time and death.
7. In thee my hopes and wishes meet,
And make my meditations sweet;
Thy praises shall my breath employ,
Till it expire in endless joy.
8. While haughty sinners die accursed,
Their glory buried with their dust,
I to my God, my heav'nly King,
Immortal hallelujahs sing.

Consecration: Where God Equips & Prepares His People

Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: “Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You, as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him. “And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. “I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do. “And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was. John 17:1-5

THE LORD CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD John 11:1-44 Lazarus, Martha and Mary 2 pages

[11:1] Now a certain *man* was sick, Lazarus of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha. It was *that* Mary who anointed the Lord with fragrant oil and wiped His feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick. Therefore the sisters sent to Him, saying, “Lord, behold, he whom You love is sick.”

When Jesus heard *that*, He said, “This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it.” Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. So, when He heard that he was sick, He stayed two more days in the place where He was.

Then after this He said to *the* disciples, “Let us go to Judea again.” *The* disciples said to Him, “Rabbi, lately the Jews sought to stone You, and are You going there again?”

Jesus answered, “Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. “But if one walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him.” These things He said, and after that He said to them, “Our friend Lazarus sleeps, but I go that I may wake him up.”

Then His disciples said, “Lord, if he sleeps he will get well.” However, Jesus spoke of his death, but they thought that He was speaking about taking rest in sleep.

Then Jesus said to them plainly, “Lazarus is dead. “And I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, that you may believe. Nevertheless let us go to him.” Then Thomas, who is called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with Him.”

So when Jesus came, He found that he had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles away. And many of the Jews had joined the women around Martha and Mary, to comfort them concerning their brother. Then Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met Him, but Mary was sitting in the house.

Now Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died. “But even now I know that whatever You ask of God, God will give You.” Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” Martha said to Him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day.” Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. “And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?” She said to Him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that You are the Christ, the Son of God, who is to come into the world.”

And when she had said these things, she went her way and secretly called Mary her sister, saying, “The Teacher has come and is calling for you.” As soon as she heard *that*, she arose quickly and came to Him. Now Jesus had not yet come into the town, but was in the place where Martha met Him. Then the Jews who were with her in the house, and comforting her, when they saw that Mary rose up quickly and went out, followed her, saying, “She is going to the tomb to weep there.”

Then, when Mary came where Jesus was, and saw Him, she fell down at His feet, saying to Him, “Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died.” Therefore, when Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her weeping, He groaned in the spirit and was troubled. And He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to Him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus wept. Then the Jews said, “See how He loved him!”

And some of them said, "Could not this Man, who opened the eyes of the blind, also have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again groaning in Himself, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it.

Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of him who was dead, said to Him, "Lord, by this time there is a stench, for he has been *dead* four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not say to you that if you would believe you would see the glory of God?"

Then they took away the stone *from the place* where the dead man was lying.

And Jesus lifted up *His* eyes and said, "Father, I thank You that You have heard Me. "And I know that You always hear Me, but because of the people who are standing by I said *this*, that they may believe that You sent Me." Now when He had said these things, He cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come forth!" And he who had died came out bound hand and foot with graveclothes, and his face was wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Loose him, and let him go."

God's People Sing a Hymn of Response: Abide With Me [congregation standing]

Henry F. Lyte, 1847

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William H. Monk, 1861



1. A - bid e with me: fast falls the e - ven - tide; The dark - ness
2. Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day; Earth's joys grow
3. I need thy pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour; What but thy
4. I fear no foe, with thee 'at hand to bless: Ills have no
5. Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes; Shine through the



deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bid e: When oth - er help - ers
dim, its glo - ries pass a - way; Change and de - cay in
grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r? Who like thy - self my
weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness. Where is death's sting? where,
gloom, and point me to the skies: Heav'n's morn - ing breaks, and



fail, and com - forts flee, Help of the help - less, O a - bid e with me.
all a - round I see; O thou who chang - est not, a - bid e with me.
guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sun - shine, O a - bid e with me.
grave, thy vic - to - ry? I tri - umph still, if thou a - bid e with me.
earth's vain shad - ows flee: In life, in death, O Lord, a - bid e with me. A - MEN.



"The Opening of Our Eyes"

From Pastor Paul Liberati

Based on Mark 9:22-30

God's People Sing a Hymn of Response:

2 pages [congregation standing]

Rejoice Ye in the LORD, O Righteous

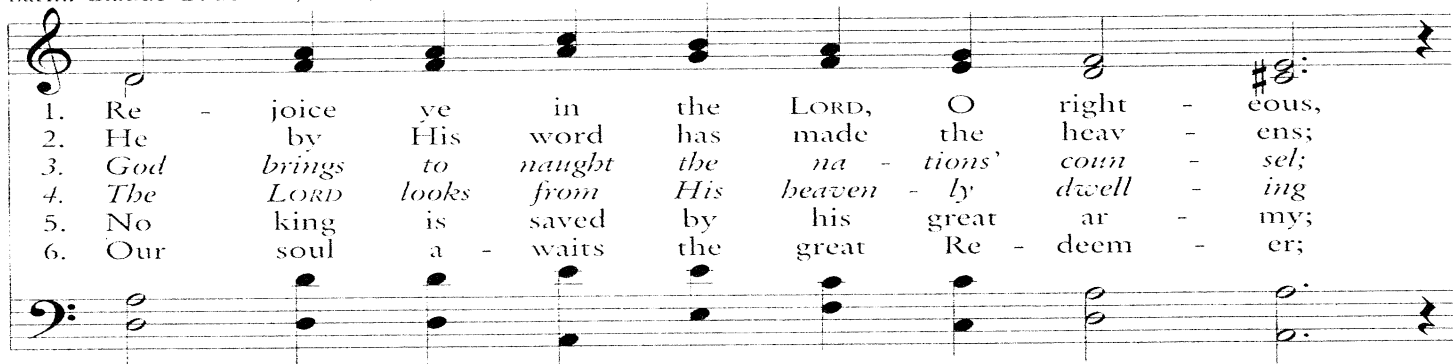
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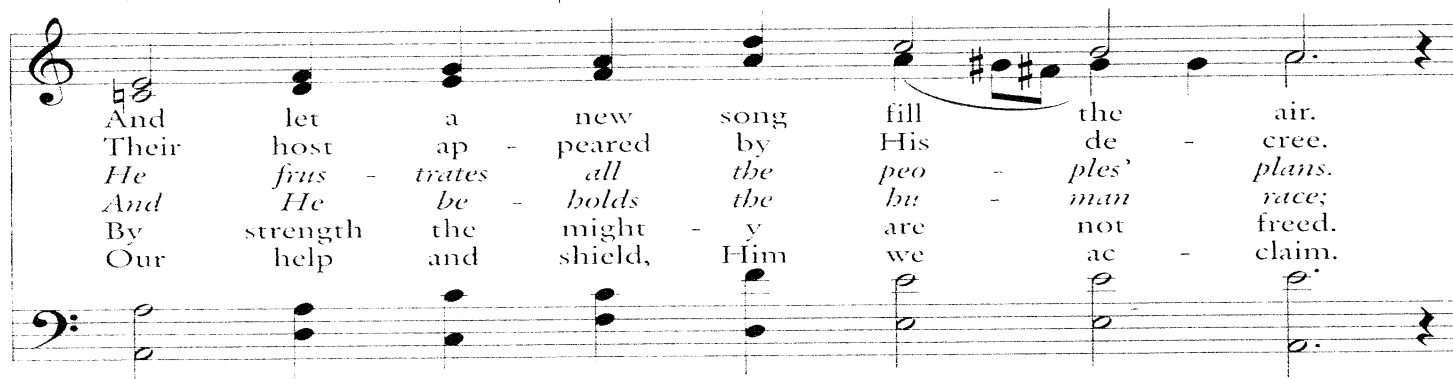
W. van der Kamp, 1972
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Genevan Psalter, 1543

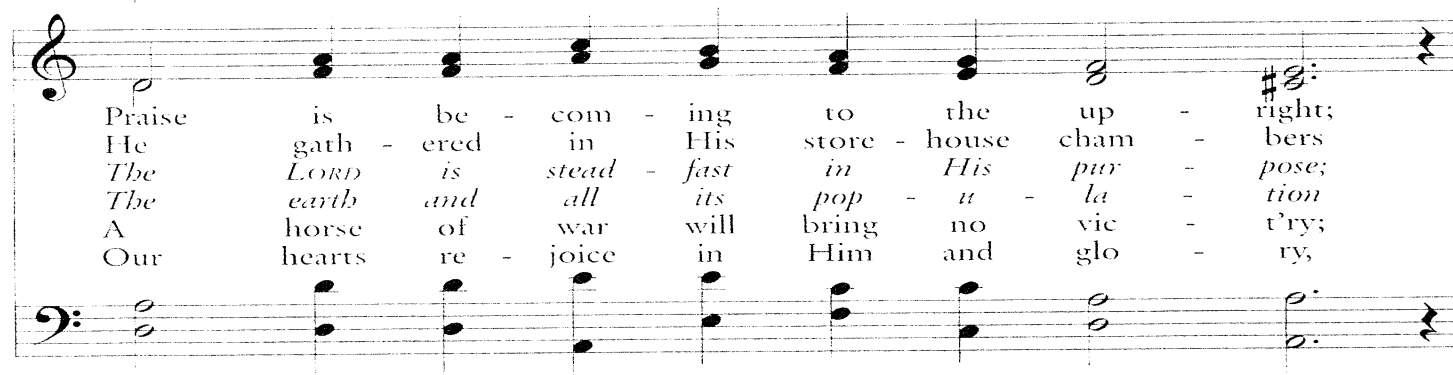
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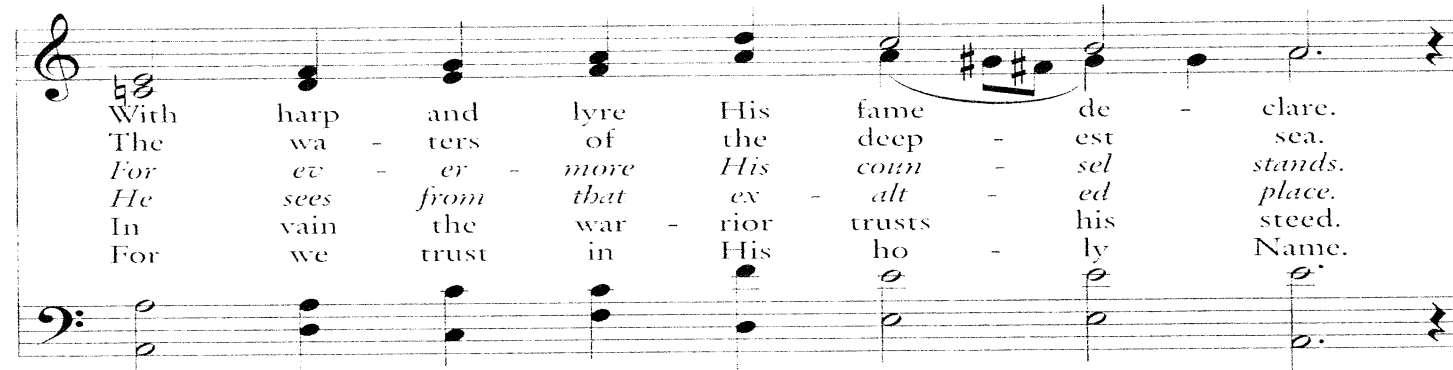
1. Re - joice ye in the LORD, O right - eous,
2. He by His word has made the heav - ens;
3. God brings to naught the na - tions' coun - sel;
4. The LORD looks from His heaven - ly dwell - ing
5. No king is saved by his great ar - my;
6. Our soul a - waits the great Re - deem - er;



And let a new song fill the air.
Their host ap - peared by His de - cree.
He frus - trates all the peo - ples' plans.
And He be - holds the hu - man race;
By strength the might - y are not freed.
Our help and shield, Him we ac - claim.



Praise is be - com - ing to the up - right;
He gath - ered in His store - house cham - bers.
The LORD is stead - fast in His pur - pose;
The earth and all its pop - u - la - tion.
A horse of war will bring no vic - t'ry;
Our hearts re - joice in Him and glo - ry,



With harp and lyre His fame de - clare.
The wa - ters of the deep - est sea.
For ev - er - more that His coun - sel stands.
He sees from that ex - alt - ed place.
In vain the war - rior trusts his stead.
For we trust in His ho - ly Name.

For the LORD has spo - ken Words of truth un -
 Let the earth re - vere Him And its peo - ples
Blessed with His sal - va - tion *Is His cho - sen*
He knows ev - ery na - tion; *All are His cre -*
 But the LORD our Sav - ior Looks on those with
 So we hum - bly pray Thee, Let Thy stead - fast

bro - ken; He is faith - ful still.
 fear Him. God spoke and 'twas done.
na - tion, *For He is their LORD.*
a - tion, *And their hearts He molds.*
 fa - vor Who His mer - cy trust.
 mer - cy, LORD, up - on us be,

Right - eous - ness He treas - ures; Earth is
 He set all cre - a - tion Firm on
Freed from all op - pres - sion, *They are*
'Tis the LORD who ev - er *Sees all*
 Yea, though fam - ine grieve them, He will
 And in love de - liv - er Us, Thy

with the meas - ures Of His good - ness filled.
 its foun - da - tion. Praise Him, ev - ery - one!
His pos - ses - sion. *Let Him be a - dored!*
their en - deav - or; *He their works be - holds.*
 nev - er leave them Prey to death and dust.
 flock, for - ev - er, As we hope in Thee.

The Heidelberg Catechism – Holding forth faith in Jesus Christ as our only comfort in life and in death, we read responsively the weekly questions from the Heidelberg Catechism as a personal and eloquent reminder of what we must know to live and die in that comfort. Holy Baptism Lord’s Day 26

69. How is it signified and sealed to you in Holy Baptism that you have part in the one sacrifice of Christ on the cross?
Thus: that Christ instituted this outward washing with water[1] and joined to it this promise,[2] that I am washed with His blood and Spirit from the pollution of my soul, that is, from all my sins, as certainly as I am washed outwardly with water, whereby commonly the filthiness of the body is taken away.[3]

[1] Matt. 28:19–20; Acts 2:38. [2] Matt. 3:11; Mk. 16:16; Rom. 6:3–4. [3] Mk. 1:4.

70. What is it to be washed with the blood and Spirit of Christ?
It is to have the forgiveness of sins from God through grace, for the sake of Christ’s blood, which He shed for us in His sacrifice on the cross,[1] and also to be renewed by the Holy Spirit and sanctified to be members of Christ, so that we may more and more die unto sin and lead holy and blameless lives.[2]

[1] Heb. 12:24; 1 Pet. 1:2; Rev. 1:5; Zech. 13:1; Ezek. 36:25–27. [2] Jn. 1:33; 3:3; 1 Cor. 6:11; 12:13; *Heb. 9:14.

71. Where has Christ promised that we are as certainly washed with His blood and Spirit as with the water of Baptism?
In the institution of Baptism, which says, “Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”[1] “He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.”[2] This promise is also repeated where Scripture calls Baptism the washing of regeneration [3] and the washing away of sins.[4] [1] Matt. 28:19 [2] Mk. 16:16. [3] Tit. 3:5. [4] Acts 22:16.

God Receives Our Tithes and Gifts as a Tribute Offering: [read in unison]

“Then Mary took a pound of very costly oil of spikenard, anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the oil. Then one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, who would betray Him, said, "Why was this fragrant oil not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" This he said, not that he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and had the money box; and he used to take what was put in it. But Jesus said, "Let her alone; she has kept this for the day of My burial. For the poor you have with you always, but Me you do not have always." *John 12:3-8*

Presenting Our Tithes and Offerings:

With the singing of Psalm 27:4-5 & the Doxology

Words composed by Brenda Fisher

**1: One thing from God have I desired, 2: In troubled times He makes me hide.
That in His house I may inquire, He hides me secretly inside.
So on His beauty I may gaze. Within His tabernacle home,
I seek to dwell there all my days. He sets me high upon a stone.**

**3: Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

The Great Prayer, Concluding with the Lord’s Prayer:

Communion: Where God Communes With His People

Preparation for Communion: Congregation of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord has prepared His table for all who love and trust Him for their salvation. All those who have repented of their sins, have been baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and are not under discipline from Christ’s Church are welcome at this table. For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as our Lord our God will call.

Our Confession of Faith - The Apostle's Creed [sung with music by Amber Bartels]

Piano

I be - lieve in God the Fa - ther Al - migh - ty, Ma - ker of hea - ven and earth;

8
And in Je - sus Christ, His on - ly be - got - ten Son, our Lord; Who was con - ceived by the

16
Ho - ly Spi - rit, born of the vir - gin - Ma - ry, Suf - fered un - der Pon - tius

25
Pi - late, was cru - ci - fied, dead and bur - ied; He de - scend - ed in - to

35
hell, the third day He rose a - gain from the dead; He as - cend - ed in - to

43
heav - en, and sit - teth at the right hand of God the Fath - er Al - migh - ty; From

52
thence He shall come to judge the liv - ing and the dead. I be - lieve in the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

60
I be - lieve a ho - ly cath - olic Church, the com - mun - ion of saints, the for - give - ness of sins; the

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re - sur - rec - tion of the bo - dy, and the life ev - er - last - ing. A - men.

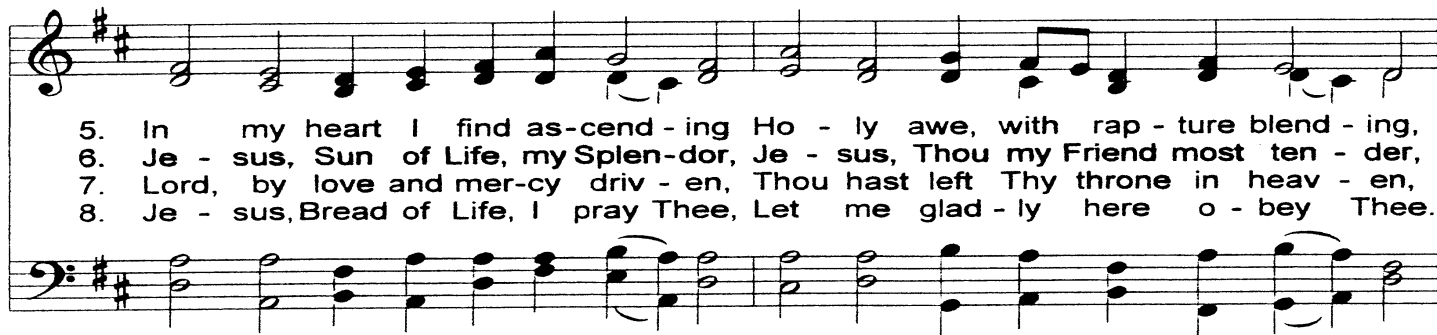
THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US AT HIS TABLE: (Peace Offering, Gift of Life)

A Word of Encouragement -- Giving of Thanks -- Breaking of the Bread

God's People Sing a Hymn of Thanks and Celebration:

(Sung as a representative of each family comes forward to receive their bread and wine)

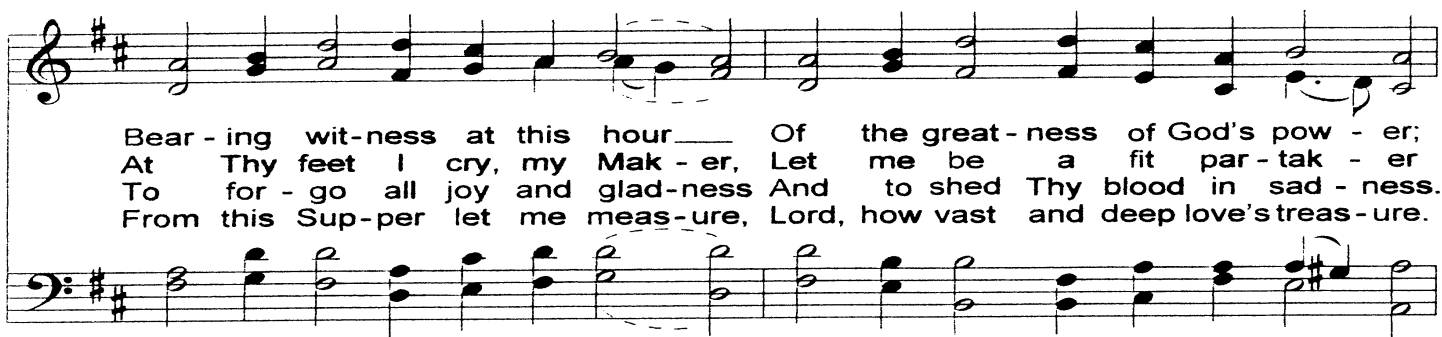
Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness



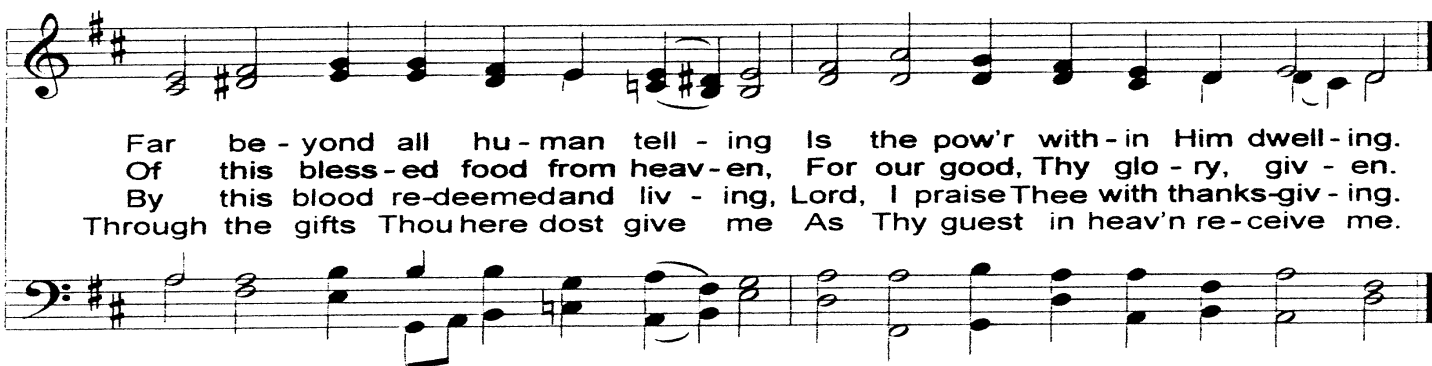
5. In my heart I find as-cend - ing Ho - ly awe, with rap - ture blend - ing,
6. Je - sus, Sun of Life, my Splen - dor, Je - sus, Thou my Friend most ten - der,
7. Lord, by love and mer - cy driv - en, Thou hast left Thy throne in heav - en,
8. Je - sus, Bread of Life, I pray Thee, Let me glad - ly here o - bey Thee.



As this mys - te - ry I pon - der, Fill - ing all my soul with won - der,
Je - sus, Joy of my de - sir - ing, Fount of Life, my soul in - spir - ing -
On the cross for me to lan - guish And to die in bit - ter an - guish,
By Thy love I am in - vit - ed, Be Thy love with love re - quit - ed;



Bear - ing wit - ness at this hour — Of the great - ness of God's pow - er;
At Thy feet I cry, my Mak - er, Let me be a fit par - tak - er
To for - go all joy and glad - ness And to shed Thy blood in sad - ness.
From this Sup - per let me meas - ure, Lord, how vast and deep love's treas - ure.



Far be - yond all hu - man tell - ing Is the pow'r with - in Him dwell - ing.
Of this bless - ed food from heav - en, For our good, Thy glo - ry, giv - en.
By this blood re - deemed and liv - ing, Lord, I praise Thee with thanks - giv - ing.
Through the gifts Thou here dost give me As Thy guest in heav'n re - ceive me.

Feasting At The Lord's Table: A simple act of obedience on the 1st day of a new Week

Partaking of the Bread Together -- Giving Thanks -- Partaking of the Wine

"For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes." 1 Corinthians 11:26

Commissioning: Where God Sends Out His People

“When they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” Amen”.[Matthew 28:17-20]

God’s People Respond With Singing:

Rise Up O Men of God

“Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!
For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm!” Psalm 147:5, 6

William Picrson Merrill, 1911

FESTAL SONG: S. M.
William H. Walter, 1894

1. Rise up, O men of God! Have done with less - er things;
2. Rise up, O men of God! His King-dom tar - ries long;
3. Rise up, O men of God! The Church for you doth wait,
4. Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where His feet have trod;

Give heart and soul and mind and strength To serve the King of Kings.
Bring in the day of broth - er - hood And end the night of wrong.
Her strength un - e - qual to her task; Rise up, and make her great!
As broth-ers of the Son of Man, Rise up, O men of God. A-MEN.

God Blesses His People – The Benediction:

[congregation standing]

Then Aaron lifted up his hands toward the people and blessed them,
and he came down from offering the sin offering and the burnt offering and the peace offerings. Leviticus 9:22

“And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. And from His fullness we have all received, grace upon grace!”
“The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.” John 1:14,16; 2 Cor 13:14

God’s People Depart to Serve the Risen & Reigning Savior by Singing:

Simeon's Prayer & the Gloria Patri

Lord, now let-test Thou Thy ser-vant de-part in peace, ac-cord-ing to Thy Word:

For mine eyes have seen Thy sal-va-tion, Which Thou hast pre-pared be-fore the face of all peo-ple;

A light to ligh-ten the Gen-tiles, and the glo-ry of Thy peo-ple Is-ra-el.

-- With Lifted Hands --

Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost;

as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

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~ Worship begins promptly at 1:00 p.m. ~ Today's pulpit supply ~ Pastor Paul Liberati ~

PRAYER REQUESTS

- For all who claim the Name of Jesus, that we would live in a manner worthy of our calling, serving one another to the glory of God. May we be humble in all our interactions, having patience & bearing with one another in love, uniting in the bond of our Savior, worshipping Him in spirit & in truth, seeking His face in prayer, & faithfully studying His Word.
- For our expectant mothers, Alma Ryan, and Marie Choban, that their babies would continue to grow healthy & strong & for renewed energy & strength for all of the mothers in our midst.
- For all who are dealing with illness, injury, other health issues, grief, or personal trials, that our Lord would grant patience, healing, wisdom, comfort, & trust in the perfect will of the One Who does all things well.
- For family members & friends who are under discipline, unsaved, or have strayed from the faith, that our Lord would bring them to repentance & restore them to the fellowship of Christ's church; & that we would boldly & lovingly proclaim the truth to them at every opportunity, standing strong in the Lord & in the power of His might.
- For churches who are in need of pastors, elders, & deacons, that our Lord would continue to raise up Godly men to lead these flocks, & for those men who are currently serving, that they may have strengthened faith & abundant wisdom as they minister to their congregations.
- For the saints throughout the world who are suffering & dying in the Name of Jesus, that they would find strength, comfort, & hope as they fully trust in God's goodness. And also for their persecutors, that their hearts would be softened to the Gospel.
- For President Biden, Vice President Harris, Governor Newsom, & all elected & appointed officials, that they would recognize their need to depend on God for knowledge, wisdom, & the courage to do what is right, reject all counsel that violates righteousness, & bring dignity, honor, trustworthiness, & integrity to their positions, remembering their accountability to Almighty God, Who is angry with the wicked every day.
- For the Church worldwide, that the Word of God would be faithfully preached, believed, & obeyed, & that His Name would be glorified as we seek to obey His Word & love our neighbors.

Due to the construction in the West Hall, there will be no fellowship lunch today. Lord willing, we will resume our usual meal after the worship service next Sunday.

Weekly Meetings (also detailed on our website):

Men's Fellowship Breakfast:

~ Meets at 8:00am on Wednesdays at Denny's on Sunrise; reading *A New Day of Small Beginnings* by Pierre Courthial. Contact Pastor Stoos.

Sacramento Area Bible Study:

~ Meets at 7:00pm on Tuesdays.. Contact Patrick Avanto.

Grass Valley Area Book Study:

~ Meets for potluck at 6:00pm, study starts at 7:00pm on Wednesdays at rotating locations; viewing *Reformed Basics* video series from Canon Press. Contact John Pekarek.

Ladies' Book Study:

~ Meets at 9:00am on Saturdays at the Stoos home. Reading *How To Be Free From Bitterness & Other Essays on Christian Relationships* by Jim Wilson. Contact Linda Stoos.

Vallejo Area Study:

~ Meets at the Kendrick home every two weeks. Contact Damell Kendrick.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

None that we are aware of!

Hall Takedown Today

No fellowship meal

Next Week's Playground Duty

Kendrick