

Lord's Day Service



*At Church of the King on February 22nd, 2026
The 7th Sunday after Epiphany*

"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]

"Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, and having a High Priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful." Hebrews 10:19-23 **Come Worship the King of Kings!**

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

O worship the King all glorious above,	Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?
O gratefully sing his power and His love.	It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
Our shield and defender, the ancient of days,	It streams from the hills; it descends to the plain;
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.	And sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

Salutation and Response: [based on Matthew 28:19, Ruth 2:4 and Hebrews 1:1, 2]

In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit **Amen!**

Jehovah be with you! **And also with you!**

God spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets,

God has in these last days spoken to us by His Son.

Whom He has appointed heir of all things,

Through whom also He made the worlds.

Confession of Sins: Where God Cleanses Us In Christ

“Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us” Hebrews 12:1a

The Call for Confession From God’s Word:

“Therefore we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away. For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward, how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him, God also bearing witness both with signs and wonders, with various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will? Hebrews 2:1-4

God’s People Sing Our Hymn of Confession: [congregation standing]

O LORD in Whom I Do Abide

Psalm 131

SEIGNEUR, JE N’AY POINT LE COEUR FIER (L.M.)
Genevan Psalter, 1551
harm. Claude Goudimel, 1564; alt.

W. van der Kamp, 1967; rev.

1. O LORD in whom I do a - bide,
2. But I have set my soul at rest.
3. Hope in the LORD, O Is - ra - el;

My heart and eyes are free from pride.
As, shel - tered at its moth - er's breast,
The just shall in His pres - ence dwell.

I shun great mat - ters, - and I flee
A child may lin - ger qui - et - ly,
Trust in His mer - cy, Him a - dore

From things too mar - vel - ous for me.
My soul is qui - et - ed in me.
From this time forth and ev - er - more.

Silent Confession: “We desire that each one of you show the same diligence to the full assurance of hope until the end, that you do not become sluggish, but imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.” *Hebrews 6:11,12*

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

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred, and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have broken your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But have mercy upon us, as miserable sinners, O Lord. Spare us, O Lord, for we humbly confess our faults. Grant unto us the grace of repentance, according to your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for Christ’s dear sake, that we may hereafter live godly, righteous, and sober lives; to the glory of your holy Name. AMEN!

Arise and Receive the Assurance of Pardon & Forgiveness:

“Thus God, determining to show more abundantly to the heirs of promise the immutability of His counsel, confirmed it by an oath, that by two immutable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we might have strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope set before us. This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence behind the veil, where the forerunner has entered for us, even Jesus, having become High Priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.” *Hebrews 6:17-20*

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. And so, with the angels and all the company of heaven and with the Church, as she gathers throughout the world this day, we praise and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you & singing:

Rejoice Ye in the LORD, O Righteous

Psalm 33

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W. van der Kamp, 1972
and William Helder, 1980

Genevan Psalter, 1543

harm. Claude Goudimel, 1564; alt.

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 bu - 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 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 Sacrament of Baptism:

The Vlad Serduke Family presents **Madelyn;**
For Baptism into the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

"Then they also brought infants to Him that He might touch them; but when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. But Jesus called them to Him and said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. "Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it." Luke 18:15-17

"Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call." Acts 2:38, 39

Moreover, brethren, I do not want you to be unaware that all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea, all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Christ. I Corinthians 10:1-4

Hymn of Thanks: *Beneath the Blood-Stained Doorpost*

Based on Exodus 12, words attributed to Harry Ironside, sung to the tune of O Sacred Head Now Wounded

***Beneath the blood-stained doorpost I with my children stand;
A messenger of evil is passing through the land.
There is no other refuge from the destroyer's face;
Beneath the blood-stained doorpost shall be our hiding place.***

***My Savior, for my dear ones I claim Thy promise true.
The Lamb is "for the household"—the children's Savior too.
On earth the little children once felt Thy touch divine;
Beneath the blood-stained doorpost Thy blessing give to mine.***

***O Thou who gave them, guard them, those wayward little feet,
The wilderness before them, the ills of life to meet.
My mother love is helpless, I trust them to Thy care!
Beneath the blood-stained doorpost, oh, keep me ever there!***

Consecration: Where God Equips & Prepares His People

"For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says Jehovah: I will put My laws in their mind and write them on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. None of them shall teach his neighbor, and none his brother, saying, 'Know Jehovah,' for all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them. For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more."
Hebrews 8:10-12

THE LORD CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD: The Ten Words Deuteronomy 5:6-21 with Epistle Responses (2 pages)

[5:6] 'I am Jehovah your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. 'You shall have no other gods before Me.

'For there is one God, and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus.' 1 Tim. 2:5

'You shall not make for yourself a carved image--any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; You shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, Jehovah your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me, but showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.

'Little children, keep yourselves from idols.' 1 John 5:21

'You shall not take the name of Jehovah your God in vain, for Jehovah will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain.

'Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers.' Eph. 4:29

'Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as Jehovah your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of Jehovah your God. In it you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your ox, nor your donkey, nor any of your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. And remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and Jehovah your God brought you out from there by a mighty hand and by an outstretched arm; Therefore Jehovah your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.

‘There remains therefore a rest for the people of God. For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God did from His. Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience.’ Heb. 4:9-11

'Honor your father and your mother, as Jehovah your God has commanded you, that your days may be long, and that it may be well with you in the land which the Lord your God is giving you.

‘Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. “Honor your father and mother,” which is the first commandment with promise: “that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth.”’ Eph. 6:1,2

'You shall not murder.

‘Whoever hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him.’ 1 John 3:15

'You shall not commit adultery.

‘Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God.’ 1 Cor. 6:9

'You shall not steal.

‘Let him who stole steal no longer, but rather let him labor, working with his hands what is good, that he may have something to give him who has need.’ Eph. 4:28

'You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

‘Lie not one to another, seeing that you have put off the old man with his deeds. Col. 3:9

'You shall not covet your neighbor's wife; and you shall not desire your neighbor's house, his field, his male servant, his female servant, his ox, his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's.'

‘But fornication, and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints’ Eph. 5:3

God’s People Respond with a Hymn of Faith:

The Law of God is Good and Wise

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The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to the eyes. Ps. 19:8

1. The law of God is good and wise and sets his
2. Its light of ho - li - ness im - parts the knowl - edge
3. To those who help in Christ have found and would in
4. When men the of - fered help dis - dain and wil - ful -

will be - fore our eyes, shows us the way of
of our sin - ful hearts, that we may see our
works of love a - bound it shows what deeds are
ly in sin re - main, its ter - ror in their

righteous - ness, and dooms to death when we trans - gress.
lost es - tate and seek de - liv - 'rance ere too late.
his de - light and should be done as good and right.
ear re - sounds and keeps their wick - ed - ness in bounds.

5. The law is good; but since the fall
its holiness condemns us all;
it dooms us for our sin to die
and has no pow'r to justify.

6. To Jesus we for refuge flee,
who from the curse has set us free,
and humbly worship at his throne,
saved by his grace through faith alone.

God Speaks to Us Through His Word: Scripture, Prayer for Illumination, and Sermon

"For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." Hebrews 4:12

"Feasting with Our Children"

From Pastor Paul Liberati

Based on 1Corinthians 10:1-4

God's People respond with a Hymn of Praise:

[congregation standing]

All Peoples, Clap Your Hands for Joy

Psalm 47

PETERSHAM (C.M.D.)
Clement W. Poole, 1875

The Book of Psalms for Singing, 1973

1. All peo-ples, clap your hands for joy; To God in tri - umph shout;
2. The land of our in - her - i - tance He choos - es out for us,
3. For God is King of all the earth; Sing praise with skill - ful - ness.

For awe-some is the LORD Most High, Great King the earth through - out.
And He to us the glo - ry gives, Of Ja - cob whom He loves.
God rules the na-tions; God sits on His throne of ho - li - ness.

He brings the peo-ples un - der us In mas - ter - y com - plete;
God is as - cend - ed with a shout, The LORD with trum - pet - ing.
As - sem - ble, men of A - brah'm's God! Come, peo - ple, princ - es, nigh!

And He it is Who na - tions all Sub - dues be - neath our feet.
Sing prais - es un - to God! Sing praise! Sing prais - es to our King!
The shields of earth be - long to God; He is ex - alt - ed high.

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

“For this Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of the Most High God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings and blessed him, to whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all, first being translated “king of righteousness,” and then also king of Salem, meaning “king of peace,” without father, without mother, without genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but made like the Son of God, remains a priest continually. Now consider how great this man was, to whom even the patriarch Abraham gave a tenth of the spoils.” *Hebrews 7:1-4*

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

Simeon Harris

“Jehovah has heard my supplication; Jehovah will receive my prayer.” Psalm 6:9

Our Father,
Which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy 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 the evil one,
For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory forever: AMEN
[Matthew 6:9-13]

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

The image shows a piano accompaniment for the Apostle's Creed. It consists of nine systems of music, each with a treble and bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the notes. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a steady bass line and a more active treble line. The lyrics are: "I be-lieve in God the Fa-ther Al-migh-ty, Ma-ker of hea-ven and earth; And in Je-sus Christ, His on-ly be-got-ten Son, our Lord; Who was con-ceived by the Ho-ly Spi-rit, born of the vir-gin Ma-ry, Suf-fered un-der Pon-tius Pi-late, was cru-ci-fied, dead and bur-ied; He de-scend-ed in-to hell, the third day He rose a-gain from the dead; He as-cend-ed in-to heav-en, and sit-teth at the right hand of God the Fath-er Al-might-ty; From thence He shall come to judge the liv-ing and the dead. I be-lieve in the Ho-ly Spi-rit, I be-lieve a ho-ly cath-olic Church, the com-mun-ion of saints, the for-give-ness of sins; the re-sur-rec-tion of the bo-dy, and the life ev-er-last-ing. A-men."

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-might-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

70 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)

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Psalm 23

ST. COLUMBA (8 7. 8 7)
Old Irish hymn melody

Henry W. Baker, 1868

1. The King of love my Shep - herd is, Whose
2. Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow My
3. Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But
4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill With
5. Thou spread'st a ta - ble in my sight; Thine
6. And so through all the length of days Thy

good - ness fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
ran - somed soul He lead - eth, And where the ver - dant
yet in love He sought me, And on His shoul - der
Thee, dear Lord, be - side me; Thy rod and staff my
unc - tion grace be - stow - eth; And O what trans - port
good - ness fail - eth nev - er; Good Shep - herd, may I

I am His And He is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
gent - ly laid, And home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.
of de - light From Thy pure chal - ice flow - eth!
sing Thy praise With - in Thy house for - ev - er.

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

"But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels, to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are registered in heaven, to God the Judge of all, to the spirits of just men made perfect, to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than that of Abel." Therefore since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. For our God is a consuming fire." *Hebrews 12:22-24,28-29*

God's People Go Forth Singing:

God the Lord Is Known in Judah

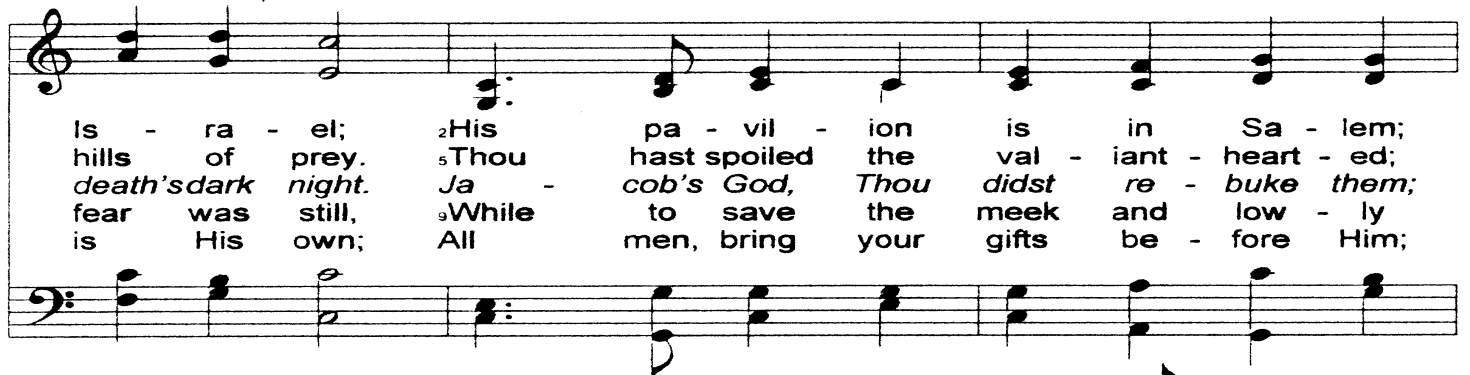
Psalm 76

NEANDER (8 7. 8 7. 8 7)
Joachim Neander, 1680

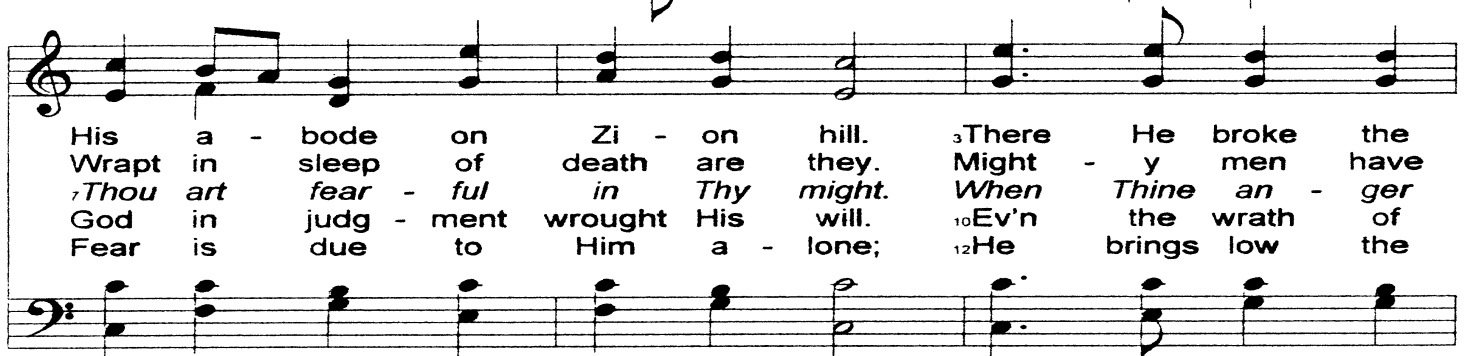
The Book of Psalms for Singing, 1973



1. ¹God the Lord is known in Ju - dah; Great His name in
2. ⁴Ex - cel - lent art Thou and glo - rious Com - ing from the
3. ⁶Horse and char - iot low are ly - ing In the sleep of
4. ⁸When from heav'n Thy sen - tence sound - ed, All the earth in
5. ¹¹Make your vows now to Je - ho - vah; Pay your God what



is - ra - el; ²His pa - vil - ion is in Sa - lem;
hills of prey. ⁵Thou hast spoiled the val - iant - heart - ed;
death's dark night. Ja - cob's God, Thou didst re - buke them;
fear was still, ⁸While to save the meek and low - ly
is His own; All men, bring your gifts be - fore Him;



His a - bode on Zi - on hill. ³There He broke the
Wrapt in sleep of death are they. Might - y men have
⁷Thou art fear - ful in Thy might. When Thine an - ger
God in judg - ment wrought His will. ¹⁰Ev'n the wrath of
Fear is due to Him a - lone; ¹²He brings low the



bow and ar - rows, Bade the sword and shield be still.
lost their cun - ning; None are read - y for the fray.
once is ris - en, Who may stand be - fore Thy sight?
man shall praise Thee; What re - mains is kept from ill.
pride of princ - es; Kings shall trem - ble at His frown.

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

“The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.” 2 Corinthians 13:14

The Response to God’s Commission - 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 - - - fa- 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.

The Heidelberg Catechism – Lord’s Day 8 [Apostle’s Creed]

24. How are these articles divided? **Into three parts: the first is of God the Father and our creation; the second, of God the Son and our redemption; the third, of God the Holy Spirit and our sanctification.**[1] [1] 1 Pet. 1:2; *1 Jn. 5:7.

25. Since there is but one Divine Being,[1] why do you speak of three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? **Because God has so revealed Himself in His Word,[2] that these three distinct persons are the one, true, eternal God.** [1] Deut. 6:4. [2] Isa. 61:1; Ps. 110:1; Matt. 3:16–17; 28:19; 1 Jn. 5:7; *2 Cor. 13:14.