

# ORDER OF WORSHIP SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2022

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

#### **Hebrews 4:9-11**

Leader: So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God.

People: For whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

Leader: Let us therefore strive to enter that rest.

#### PRAYER OF ADORATION

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**

1. A mighty fortress is our God, A bulwark never failing; Our Helper He amid the flood Of mortal ills prevailing; For still our ancient Foe Doth seek to work us woe; His craft and pow'r are great, And armed with cruel hate, On earth is not his equal.

2. Did we in our own strength confide, Our striving would be losing; Were not the right Man on our side, The Man of God's own choosing; Dost ask who that may be: Christ Jesus it is He; Lord Sabaoth His name, from age to age the same, And He must win the battle.

3. And though this world with devils filled, Should threaten to undo us
We will not fear for God hath willed,
His truth to triumph through us
The prince of darkness grim,
We tremble not for him
His rage we can endure,
For lo his doom is sure
One little word shall fell him.

# A Mighty Fortress is Our God

4. That word above all earthly pow'rs, No thanks to them abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth;
Let goods and kindred go,
This mortal life also;
The body they may kill;
God's truth abideth still,
His kingdom is forever!
His kingdom is forever!

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#### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

#### Exodus 12:1-13

<sup>1</sup>The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, <sup>2</sup> "This month shall be for you the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. <sup>3</sup> Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household. <sup>4</sup> And if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his nearest neighbor shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb. <sup>5</sup> Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, <sup>6</sup> and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs at twilight.

<sup>7</sup> "Then they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. <sup>8</sup> They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. <sup>9</sup> Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. <sup>10</sup> And you shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. <sup>11</sup> In this manner you shall eat it: with your belt fastened, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And you shall eat it in haste. It is the Lord's Passover. <sup>12</sup> For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. <sup>13</sup> The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt.

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

Our gracious God, you say, "In returning and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and trust shall be your strength." But we are unwilling. Instead, we busy ourselves with many things. We trust our endeavors to bring satisfaction, peace, security, and fulfillment. We search for joy in our accomplishments and live in fear of our failures. We will not still ourselves to listen to your Word, nor stop so that we can pray. We find the way of grace difficult, and would rather try to do great things, than rest in what you have done. Forgive us, and lead us beside still waters. Restore our souls.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

#### Matthew 11:28-30

<sup>28</sup> Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

## **HYMN OF ASSURANCE**

# **Rock of Ages**

Children ages 4-5 are dismissed for Equip for Worship during the last stanza. Visitors' children are welcome. Today's volunteers: Kate Rigg and Aydan Henson

- 1. Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee; Let the water and the blood, From Thy wounded side which flowed, Be of sin the double cure, Save from wrath and make me pure.
- 2. Not the labors of my hands Can fulfill Thy law's demands; Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears forever flow, All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.
- 3. Nothing in my hand I bring, Simply to Thy cross I cling; Naked, come to Thee for dress; Helpless, look to Thee for grace; Foul, I to the Fountain fly; Wash me, Savior, or I die.
- 4. While I draw this fleeting breath, When my eyes shall close in death, When I soar to worlds unknown, See Thee on Thy judgment throne, Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee. Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee.

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## **MISSIONS MINUTE**

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## PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

#### **SCRIPTURE READING**

#### Luke 22:7-23

<sup>7</sup> Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. <sup>8</sup> So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat it." <sup>9</sup> They said to him, "Where will you have us prepare it?" <sup>10</sup> He said to them, "Behold, when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him into the house that he enters <sup>11</sup> and tell the master of the house, "The Teacher says to you, Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' <sup>12</sup> And he will show you a large upper room furnished; prepare it there." <sup>13</sup> And they went and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover.

<sup>14</sup> And when the hour came, he reclined at table, and the apostles with him. <sup>15</sup> And he said to them, "I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. <sup>16</sup> For I tell you I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." <sup>17</sup> And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he said, "Take this, and divide it among yourselves. <sup>18</sup> For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." <sup>19</sup> And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." <sup>20</sup> And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. <sup>21</sup> But behold, the hand of him who betrays me is with me on the table. <sup>22</sup> For the Son of Man goes as it has been determined, but woe to that man by whom he is betrayed!" <sup>23</sup> And they began to question one another, which of them it could be who was going to do this.

**SERMON** 

"The Last Passover and The First Supper" - Rev. Tony Myers

## **COLLECTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS**

## **OFFERTORY HYMN**

# Just as I Am

- 1. Just as I am without one plea But that Thy blood was shed for me And that Thou biddest me come to Thee O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 2. Just as I am and waiting not To rid my soul of one dark blot To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 3. Just as I am tho' tossed about With many a conflict, many a doubt Fightings and fears within, without O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

- 4. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind Sight, riches, healing of the mind Yea, all I need in Thee to find O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 5. Just as I am Thou wilt receive Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve Because Thy promise I believe O Lamb of God, I come, I come. Because Thy promise I believe O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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## HYMN OF RESPONSE There is a Fountain Filled with Blood

1. There is a fountain filled with blood, Drawn from Immanuel's veins;

And sinners plunged beneath that flood

Lose all their guilty stains; Lose all their guilty stains; Lose all their guilty stains.

And sinners plunged beneath that flood

Lose all their guilty stains.

2. The dying thief rejoiced to see

That fountain in his day;

And there have I, though vile as he,

Washed all my sins away; Washed all my sins away; Washed all my sins away.

And there have I, though vile as he,

Washed all my sins away.

3. Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood

Shall never lose its power

Till all the ransomed church of God

Be saved to sin no more; Be saved to sin no more; Be saved to sin no more.

Till all the ransomed church of God

Be saved to sin no more.

4. E'er since by faith I saw the stream

Thy flowing wounds supply,

Redeeming love has been my theme

And shall be till I die; And shall be till I die; And shall be till I die.

Redeeming love has been my theme

and shall be till I die.

5. When this poor lisping, stamm'ring tongue

Lies silent in the grave,

Then in a nobler, sweeter song I'll sing Thy pow'r to save; I'll sing Thy pow'r to save; I'll sing Thy pow'r to save.
Then in a nobler, sweeter song I'll sing Thy pow'r to save.

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# BENEDICTION

#### **DISMISSAL**

Minister: Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and

Savior, Jesus Christ.

People: THANKS BE TO GOD!

## **POSTLUDE**

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