
ORDER OF WORSHIP
NOVEMBER 3, 2024

When the musical prelude begins, the congregation is invited to spend time preparing their hearts for corporate worship.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 118:1, 28-29

Leader: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good!

People: **For his steadfast love endures forever!**

Leader: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you.

People: **You are my God; I will extol you.**

All: **Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!**

HYMN OF PRAISE

1. O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe,
That in Thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

2. O Light that follow'st all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to Thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

3. O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to Thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain,
That morn shall tearless be.

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

4. O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in Thee.

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Music by Christopher Miner
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PRAYER OF INVOCATION

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

COLLECTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

HYMN OF PREPARATION

1. Jesus, Lord of life and glory,
Bend from heav'n Thy gracious ear;
While our waiting souls adore Thee,
Friend of helpless sinners, hear.

2. From the depth of nature's blindness,
From the hard'ning pow'r of sin;
From all malice and unkindness,
From the pride that lurks within:

Chorus

By Thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord;
By Thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord,
good Lord.

3. When temptation sorely presses,
In the day of Satan's pow'r;
In our times of deep distresses,
In each dark and trying hour.

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

CONGREGATIONAL READING

¹⁴ How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵ And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!"

By Thy Mercy

4. When the world around is smiling,
In the time of wealth and ease,
Earthly joys, our hearts beguiling,
In the day of health and peace:
Chorus

5. In the weary hours of sickness,
In the times of grief and pain;
When we feel our mortal weakness, When all
human help is vain;

6. In the solemn hour of dying,
In the awful judgment day;
May our souls, on Thee relying,
Find Thee still our Rock and Stay.
Chorus 2X

Romans 10:14-15

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 9:30-33

³⁰What shall we say, then? That Gentiles who did not pursue righteousness have attained it, that is, a righteousness that is by faith; ³¹but that Israel who pursued a law that would lead to righteousness did not succeed in reaching that law. ³²Why? Because they did not pursue it by faith, but as if it were based on works. They have stumbled over the stumbling stone, ³³as it is written, “Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

SERMON “Rock Of Offense” - Rev. Bryan Rigg

SERMON NOTES

Sunday, November 3, 2024 | Bryan Rigg
“Rock of Offense” | Romans 9:30-33

CONFESSION OF SIN

Psalm 24:5-7, 11

Leader: Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long.

People: Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

Leader: Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!

People: For your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Lamentation 3:22-23

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER

Come Thou Fount

1. Come, Thou fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise!
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of Thy redeeming love.

2. Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope by Thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home;
Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious Blood!

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.

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3. Oh, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be;
Let Thy grace now, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee;
Prone to wander, Lord I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above!

Prone to wander, Lord I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above!

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Rock of Ages

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.

Jesus Paid It All

1. I hear the Savior say,
"Thy strength indeed is small.
Child of weakness, watch and pray;
Find in Me thine all in all."

Chorus

Jesus paid it all,
All to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain,
He washed it white as snow.

2. Lord, now indeed I find
Thy pow'r, and Thine alone,
Can change the leper's spots
And melt the heart of stone.
Chorus 2X
No burden great can hold You down.
In strength You reign,
Forever let Your church proclaim:
Chorus

3. And when, before the throne,
I stand in Him complete:
"Jesus died, my soul to save,"
My lips shall still repeat!
Chorus

Sin had left a crimson stain,
He washed it white as snow.

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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.

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