
ORDER OF WORSHIP
MARCH 16, 2025

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hebrews 13:12-15

Leader: So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood.

People: **Therefore, let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured.**

Leader: For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come.

People: **Through him then, let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, the fruit of lips that acknowledges his name.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

GATHERING HYMN

The Sands of Time are Sinking

1. The sands of time are sinking,
The dawn of heaven breaks;
The summer morn I've sighed for
The fair, sweet morn awakes:
Dark, dark had been the midnight,
But dayspring is at hand,
And glory, glory dwelleth
In Emmanuel's land.

2. The king there in His beauty,
Without a veil is seen:
It were a well-spent journey,
Though sev'n deaths lay between:
The Lamb with His fair army,
Doth on Mount Zion stand,
And glory, glory dwelleth
In Emmanuel's land.

3. O Christ, He is the fountain,
The deep, sweet well of love!
The streams on earth I've tasted
More deep I'll drink above:
There to an ocean fullness
His mercy doth expand,
And glory, glory dwelleth
In Emmanuel's land.

4. The bride eyes not her garment,
But her dear Bridegroom's face;
I will not gaze at glory
But on my King of grace.
Not at the crown He giveth
But on His pierced hand;
The Lamb is all the glory
Of Emmanuel's land.

5. O I am my Beloved's
And my Beloved is mine!
He brings a poor vile sinner
Into His house of wine
I stand upon His merit -
I know no other stand,
Not e'en where glory dwelleth
In Emmanuel's land.

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CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Christopher Luke Perdieu, Jr.

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
from age to age. Amen, amen.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Westminster Confession 26.2

Saints, by profession, are bound to maintain a holy fellowship and communion in the worship of God, and in performing such other spiritual services as tend to their mutual edification; as also in relieving each other in outward things, according to their several abilities and necessities. Which communion, as God offereth opportunity, is to be extended unto all those who, in every place, call upon the name of the Lord Jesus.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 5:10-11

For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

HYMN OF ASSURANCE

Man of Sorrows, What a Name

1. Man of Sorrows, what a name
For the Son of God who came,
Ruined sinners to reclaim!
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

2. Bearing shame and scoffing rude,
In my place, condemned He stood;
Sealed my pardon with His blood;
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

3. Guilty, vile, and helpless, we,
Spotless Lamb of God was He;
Full atonement, can it be?
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

4. Lifted up was He to die;
"It is finished!" was His cry;
Now in heav'n exalted high;
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Hallelujah! What a Savior!
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

5. When He comes, our glorious King,
All His ransomed home to bring,
Then anew this song we'll sing:
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

CONGREGATIONAL READING

Romans 15:4-6

⁴ For Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. ⁵ May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, ⁶ that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON

“Not To Look Like the World”
- Rev. Bryan Rigg

Romans 12:14-16

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¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight.

SERMON NOTES

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

1. For all the saints,
Who from their labor's rest,
Who Thee, by faith,
Before the world confessed:
"Thy name, O Jesus,
Be forever blest.
Alleluia allelu..."

2. Thou wast their Rock,
Their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain
In the well fought fight;
Thou in the darkness,
Drear, their one true Light.
Alleluia allelu...

3. O may Thy soldiers,
Faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints
Who nobly fought of old,
And win with them
The victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia allelu...

4. The golden evening
brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful
Warriors comes their rest;
Sweet is the calm
Of paradise the blest,
Alleluia allelu...

For All the Saints

5. But lo! There breaks
A yet more glorious day;
The saints triumphant
Rise in bright array;
The King of glory
Passes on His way,
Alleluia allelu...

6. From earth's wide bounds,
From ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl
Streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father,
Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia alleluia.

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HYMN OF RESPONSE

1. Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own:
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.

2. Crown Him the Lord of love;
Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified:
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye
At mysteries so bright.

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Crown Him with Many Crowns

3. Crown Him the Lord of peace;
Whose power a scepter sways
From pole to pole,
That wars may cease,
Absorbed in prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end;
And round His pierced feet
Fair flowers of paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet.

4. Crown Him the Lord of life,
Who triumphed o'er the grave;
And rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save;
His glories now we sing,
Who died and rose on high
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die.

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!

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