Rooted - God's Sons & Daughters

CALL TO WORSHIP

An invitation from God to all humanity to behold and join the story, work, and eternal worship of Jesus.

Ps. 95:1-7

Oh come, let us sing to the Lord let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land. Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! For he is our God and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.



CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

A call to acknowledge and forsake sin against God and one another, and an invitation to receive the assurance of a new identity in the finished work of Christ.

CONFESSION

LEADER

Father, You are the one from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

There are no details nor seasons of our life that are hidden from Your sight. You withhold no good thing from those who look to You.

But we confess, too often we believe that we know how to better solve our problems and satisfy our longings than You.

TOGETHER

Father, forgive us. Teach us to trust You and submit to You.

LEADER

Much of the time we fail to be present in the relationships You've given to us.

We want what we don't have and are discontent with what we do have. Yet, fulfillment never comes through other people, but through abiding in You alone.

TOGETHER

Father, forgive us, lift our heads and keep us.

LEADER

Regularly we find ourselves restless in singleness, marriage, and parenting, looking to them for significance, comfort, and completion. Even in our grief from loss or lack we struggle to receive Your grace to help us in our weakness.

TOGETHER

Father, forgive us, help us be still and know that You are God.



(pause briefly)

ASSURANCE

LEADER

Hear the Good News: those who look to Jesus will never be left in shame.

In His sacrifice for your sins, Jesus suffered the loss of God's presence so that we would never have to. Now no blessing of forgiveness or generous gift of grace will ever be kept from you. There is nowhere you can run from His presence.

Your Father has lavished his love on you such that he calls you sons and daughters. Surely he will satisfy your waiting with good things. Look to the cross of your King for your worth. Hear the voice of your Father for your approval, "You are my beloved, and with you I am well pleased."

He has given us his Spirit, so that we may know the good, acceptable and perfect will of God.

TOGETHER

The Lord is good and his love never ceases. Thanks be to God!



BENEDICTION

A blessing from the authority of scripture spoken over the people of God.

Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

