

# Lord's Day Worship

August 23, 2020

## Call to Worship

from Psalms 93, 97, & 99

The LORD reigns; he is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed; he has put on strength as his belt. Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.

*Your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting....the LORD on high is mighty! Your decrees are very trustworthy; holiness befits your house, O LORD, forevermore.*

The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice;...righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne....The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the peoples see his glory....Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!

*The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples. Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool! Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the LORD our God is holy!*

## Hymn of Adoration

Crown Him with Many Crowns 295

Crown him with many crowns,  
the Lamb upon his throne;  
hark! how the heav'nly 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.

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.

Crown him the Lord of peace;  
whose pow'r 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 flow'rs of paradise extend  
their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of years,  
the Potentate of time;  
Creator of the rolling spheres,  
ineffably sublime:  
all hail, Redeemer, hail!  
for thou hast died for me:  
thy praise shall never, never fail  
throughout eternity.

### **Prayer of Invocation**

#### **Call to Confession**

Psalm 146.3-10

Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation. When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish. Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous. The LORD watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin. The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations.

#### **Prayer of Confession**

*Holy and exalted Father, you indeed have given all authority in heaven and on earth to Jesus our Christ. Though the words "Jesus is King" come easily to our lips, yet we often fail to grasp the significance of what they mean for us. We forget your divine power, providence, and purposes in this world and can place our trust in earthly leaders that are frail and temporary. We too readily render unto Caesar our allegiance, which alone belongs to you. In your mercy, forgive us and raise us to acclaim Jesus Christ alone as ruler of all, that we may be loyal ambassadors, honorably manifesting his kingdom rule in our thoughts, affections, words, and deeds. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.*

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

Ephesians 1.17-21; Revelation 1.5-6

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come.

*To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.*

## Song of Praise

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder 172

Let us love and sing and wonder,  
let us praise the Savior's name!  
He has hushed the law's loud thunder,  
he has quenched Mount Sinai's flame;  
he has washed us with his blood,  
he has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord who bought us,  
pitied us when enemies,  
called us by his grace, and taught us,  
gave us ears and gave us eyes:  
he has washed us with his blood,  
he presents our souls to God.

Let us sing, though fierce temptation  
threaten hard to bear us down!  
For the Lord, our strong salvation,  
holds in view the conqu'ror's crown;  
he who washed us with his blood,  
soon will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder; grace and justice  
join and point to mercy's store;  
when through grace in Christ our trust is,  
justice smiles, and asks no more:  
he who washed us with his blood,  
has secured our way to God.

Let us praise, and join the chorus  
of the saints enthroned on high;  
here they trusted him before us,  
now their praises fill the sky:  
"You have washed us with your blood;  
You are worthy, Lamb of God!"

## Prayers of Thanksgiving, Supplication & The 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.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good. For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God. Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor.

### Confession of Faith

Luke 1.67-75

*“Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,  
for he has visited and redeemed his people  
and has raised up a horn of salvation for us  
in the house of his servant David,  
as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,  
that we should be saved from our enemies  
and from the hand of all who hate us;  
to show the mercy promised to our fathers  
and to remember his holy covenant,  
the oath that he swore to our father Abraham, to grant us  
that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies,  
might serve him without fear,  
in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.*

### Hymn of Response

Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come 195

Joy to the world! The Lord is come:  
let earth receive her King;  
let every heart prepare him room,  
and heav'n and nature sing,  
and heav'n and nature sing,  
and heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns:  
let men their songs employ;  
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow,  
nor thorns infest the ground;

he comes to make his blessings flow  
far as the curse is found,  
far as the curse is found,  
far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace,  
and makes the nations prove  
the glories of his righteousness  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders, wonders of his love.

**Benediction**

Philippians 4.7

*The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, guard your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God's Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, remain with you always. Amen.*

**Response**

*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,  
world without end. Alleluia. Amen.*



*...loving God and worshiping Him as we impact our area  
by teaching and discipling people for Jesus Christ.*