

Order of Worship

February 2, 2020

Preparing Our Hearts: If you arrive a little early, prepare your heart for worship by reading and thinking about this text:

- *Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. (Isaiah 55:1 ESV)*

Call to Worship:

- God calls us to worship
 - *I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word. On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul you increased. (Psalm 138:1–3 ESV)*
- We humbly respond with praise
 - Congregational Song: “10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)”
 - Congregational Song: “Hope in You”

Gospel Assurance:

- Our need for Jesus
 - Congregational Song: “O Great God”
- God’s grace
 - *On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’” Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified. (John 7:37–39 ESV)*
 - Congregational Song: “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

What We Believe: As a church we want to affirm our unity in what we believe.

- *What is God?*

God is a Spirit infinite in being, glory, blessedness, and perfection; all-sufficient, eternal, unchangeable, incomprehensible, everywhere present, almighty, knowing all things, most wise, most holy, most just, most merciful and gracious, long-suffering, and abundant in goodness and truth. (Westminster Larger Catechism, Q. 7)

Prayer: We bring our requests to the Lord through Jesus Christ.

Church Life/Greeting: In Christ, we live and fellowship together as believers. We take time to learn what is going on in our church, and to greet one another as we worship.

Prayer for Understanding: We pray that God will open our hearts and minds to the preaching of His Word.

Sermon:

- Exodus 15:22-27

Lord's Supper: In taking communion together, we remember the death of Christ as we proclaim it to one another as we consume the elements.

- Congregational Song: "There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood"

Praise to God (Doxology): We end our time of worship together as we resound in praises together.

- Congregational Song: "Blessed Be Your Name"

God Blesses: We go into the world this week with God's blessings as He enables us to serve Him.

- *"I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.*
(Revelation 22:16–17 ESV)

Bitter to Blessed

Exodus 15:22-27

Pastor Nathan Hogan

Discussion Questions

1. What is your initial reaction to Israel grumbling so quickly after the Red Sea?
 2. Why is it so easy to spot grumbling in others, but not in ourselves?
 3. Why does God test Israel? What does this teach you about God?
 4. How has God tested you? How can this passage help you in future tests the Lord brings to you?
 5. Why is verse 27 such an encouragement?
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Next Week: Exodus 16:1-36