

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

*How sweet the name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear!
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds, and drives away his fear.*

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship:

Psalm 9.1-2, 9-11

Leader: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;
I will recount all your wonderful deeds.

**People: I will be glad and exult in you;
I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.**

Leader: The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed,
A stronghold in times of trouble.

**People: Those who know your name put their trust in you,
For you, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek you.**

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, who sits enthroned in Zion!
Tell among the peoples his deeds!

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise:

The God of Abraham Praise

The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above,
Ancient of everlasting days and God of love.
Jehovah! Great I AM! by earth and heav'n confessed;
I bow and bless the sacred name, forever blest.

The God of Abraham praise, at whose supreme command
from earth I rise, and seek the joys at his right hand.
I all on earth forsake, its wisdom, fame, and pow'r,
and him my only portion make, my shield and tow'r.

He by himself hath sworn, I on his oath depend;
I shall, on eagles' wings upborne, to heav'n ascend,
I shall behold his face, I shall his pow'r adore,
and sing the wonders of his grace forevermore.

The goodly land I see, with peace and plenty blest,
a land of sacred liberty and endless rest.
There milk and honey flow, and oil and wine abound,
and trees of life forever grow, with mercy crowned.

There dwells the Lord our King, the Lord our Righteousness,
triumphant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace.
On Zion's sacred height his kingdom he maintains,
and glorious with his saints in light forever reigns.

The whole triumphant host gives thanks to God on high;
"Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!" they ever cry.
Hail Abraham's God and mine! I join the heav'nly lays;
all might and majesty are thine, and endless praise.

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel:

2 Corinthians 12.7-10

So, to keep me from becoming conceited because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from becoming conceited. Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel:

2 Corinthians 5.21

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

God Consecrates Us by Praise and Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving:

Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above, / I have a strong, a perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is "Love," / Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands, / My name is written on His heart;
I know that while in heav'n He stands, / no tongue can bid me thence depart.
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, / and tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there, / Who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died, / my sinful soul is counted free;
For God, the Just, is satisfied / to look on Him and pardon me.
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there! the risen Lamb, / My perfect, spotless Righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM, / The King of glory and of grace!
One with Himself I cannot die, / My soul is purchased by His blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high, / With Christ, my Savior and my God
With Christ, my Savior and my God

Prayer of Intercession:

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.

God Counsels Us through His Word

Scripture Reading:

Exodus 3.1-4.17

Sermon:

I Can't, but HE Can!

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Profession of Faith:

Westminster Larger Catechism

Q. What is God?

A: God is a Spirit, in and of himself 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.

Hymn of Response:

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

Our God, our help in ages past, / Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, / And our eternal home.

Under the shadow of your throne / Your saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is your arm alone, / And our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, / Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting you are God, / To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in your sight / Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night / Before the rising sun.

The busy tribes of flesh and blood, / With all their lives and cares,
Are carried downward by your flood, / And lost in following years.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, / Bears all its sons away;
They fly forgotten, as a dream / Dies at the opening day.

Our God, our help in ages past, / Our hope for years to come,
O be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

Benediction:

Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.