

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die:
O Christ, your triumphs now begin o'er captive death and conquered sin.*

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship: *Zechariah 9.9; Mark 11.9-10*

Leader: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

People: Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

Leader: Lo, your king comes to you;

People: Triumphant and victorious is he,

Leader: Humble and riding on a donkey,

People: On a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Leader: Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

People: Hosanna in the highest!

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise: *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

All glory, laud, and honor
To thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring!
Thou art the King of Israel,
Thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest,
The King and blessed One!

The people of the Hebrews
With palms before thee went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before thee we present:
To thee, before thy passion,
They sang their hymns of praise;
To thee, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise.

Thou didst accept their praises;
Accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest,
Thou good and gracious King!
All glory, laud, and honor
To thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring!

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel: *1 Corinthians 10.13*

No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

Confession of Sin

Father, like the people who greeted your Son as he entered Jerusalem

And then later pronounced "Crucify him,"

We too are fickle people who often forsake Christ

In our thoughts, words, and deeds.

Remembering the events of Jesus' last week

Helps us see ourselves for what we are:

Sinners in need of a Savior, a Savior—praise God—we have in Christ.

So, in honesty and hope, we confess our many sins to you. Amen.

Comfort of the Gospel: *1 Corinthians 1.18*

For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

God Consecrates Us by Praise and Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving: *Christ The Sure and Steady Anchor*

Christ the sure and steady anchor / in the fury of the storm
When the winds of doubt blow through me / and my sails have all been torn
In the suffering, in the sorrow / when my sinking hopes are few
I will hold fast to the anchor / it shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor / while the tempest rages on
When temptation claims the battle / and it seems the night has won
Deeper still then goes the anchor / though I justly stand accused
I will hold fast to the anchor / it shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor / through the floods of unbelief
Hopeless, somehow, o my soul / now lift your eyes to Calvary
This my ballast of assurance / See His love forever proved
I will hold fast to the anchor / it shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor / as we face the wave of death
When these trials give way to glory / and we draw our final breath
We will cross that great horizon / clouds behind and life secured
And the calm will be the better / for the storms that we endured.

Christ the shore of our salvation / ever faithful ever true
We will hold fast to the anchor / it shall never be removed

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 14.1-31*

Sermon: *Passing from Death to Life*

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Profession of Faith: *Heidelberg Catechism*

Q. 32. But why are you called a Christian?

A. Because by faith I am a member of Christ and so I share in his anointing. I am anointed to confess his name, to present myself to him as a living sacrifice of thanks, to strive with a good conscience against sin and the devil in this life, and afterward to reign with Christ over all creation for all eternity.

Hymn of Response: *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*

Jesus, lover of my soul, / let me to thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll, / while the tempest still is high:
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, / till the storm of life is past;
Safe into the haven guide, / O receive my soul at last!

Other refuge have I none, / hangs my helpless soul on thee;
Leave, ah! leave me not alone, / still support and comfort me!
All my trust on thee is stayed, / all my help from thee I bring;
Cover my defenseless head / with the shadow of thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want; / more than all in thee I find:
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, / heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy name; / I am all unrighteousness;
False and full of sin I am, / thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with thee is found, / grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound; / make and keep me pure within:
Thou of life the fountain art, / freely let me take of thee;
Spring thou up within my heart, / rise to all eternity.

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.