

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

I find, I walk, I love, but O the whole of love is but my answer, Lord, to thee;
For thou wert long beforehand with my soul, always thou lovedst me.

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Call to Worship:

Psalm 103.1-5, 22b

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul,
And all that is within me, bless his holy name!

People: Bless the LORD, O my soul,
And forget not all his benefits,

Leader: Who forgives all your iniquity,
Who heals all your diseases,

People: Who redeems your life from the pit,
Who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

Leader: Who satisfies you with good
So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

All: Bless the LORD, O my soul!

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise:

Arise, My Soul, Arise

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears;
The bleeding sacrifice, in my behalf appears;
Before the throne my Surety stands, before the throne my Surety stands,
My name is written on His hands.

Chorus

Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise

Arise, my soul, arise.

Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise

Arise, my soul, arise.

Shake off your guilty fears and rise

He ever lives above, for me to intercede;

His all redeeming love, His precious blood, to plead;

His blood atoned for every race, His blood atoned for every race,

And sprinkles now the throne of grace. **Chorus**

Five bleeding wounds He bears; received on Calvary;

They pour effectual prayers; they strongly plead for me:

"Forgive him, O forgive," they cry, "Forgive him, O forgive," they cry,

"Nor let that ransomed sinner die!" **Chorus**

The Father hears Him pray, His dear anointed One;

He cannot turn away the presence of His Son;

The Spirit answers to the blood, the Spirit answers to the blood

And tells me I am born of God. **Chorus**

My God is reconciled; His pardoning voice I hear;

He owns me for His child; I can no longer fear

With confidence I now draw nigh, with confidence I now draw nigh,

And "Father, Abba, Father," cry. **Chorus**

God Cleanses Us by His Grace

Conviction of the Gospel:

1 Peter 2.9

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Confession of Sin

Comfort of the Gospel:

1 Peter 3.18

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit.

God Consecrates Us by Praise and Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving: From Depths of Woe I Raise to Thee

From the depths of woe I raise to Thee / The voice of lamentation;
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me / And hear my supplication;
If Thou iniquities dost mark, / Our secret sins and misdeeds dark,
O who shall stand before Thee? (Who shall stand before Thee?) **x2**

To wash away the crimson stain, / Grace, grace alone availeth;
Our works, alas! Are all in vain; / In much the best life faileth;
No man can glory in Thy sight, / All must alike confess Thy might,
And live alone by mercy (Live alone by mercy) **x2**

Therefore my trust is in the Lord, / And not in mine own merit;
On Him my soul shall rest, His word / Upholds my fainting spirit;
His promised mercy is my fort, / My comfort and my sweet support;
I wait for it with patience (Wait for it with patience) **x2**

What though I wait the live-long night, / And 'til the dawn appeareth,
My heart still trusteth in His might; / It doubteth not nor feareth;
Do thus, O ye of Israel's seed, / Ye of the Spirit born indeed;
And wait 'til God appeareth (Wait 'til God appeareth) **x2**

Though great our sins and sore our woes / His grace much more aboundeth;
His helping love no limit knows, / Our upmost need it soundeth.
Our Shepherd good and true is He, / Who will at last His Israel free
From all their sin and sorrow (All their sin and sorrow) **x2**

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 19.1-6

Sermon:

Gospel Basics

God Commissions Us to Serve Him

Profession of Faith:

The Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 32. Why are you called a Christian?

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:

Trust and Obey

When we walk with the Lord / in the light of his word,
What a glory he sheds on our way! / While we do his good will,
He abides with us still, / and with all who will trust and obey.

Refrain

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Not a burden we bear, / not a sorrow we share,
But our toil he doth richly repay; / not a grief or a loss,
Not a frown or a cross, / but is blest if we trust and obey. **Refrain**

But we never can prove / the delights of his love
Until all on the altar we lay; / for the favor he shows,
For the joy he bestows, / are for them who will trust and obey. **Refrain**

Then in fellowship sweet / we will sit at his feet,
Or we'll walk by his side in the way; / what he says we will do,
Where he sends we will go; / never fear, only trust and obey. **Refrain**

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.