

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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## Preparation for Worship

Music for Gathering

Announcements

Scripture for Meditation

Psalm 89:14

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne;  
Mercy and truth go before Your face.

Silent Prayer

## God Calls Us Into His Presence

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† Salutation and Responsive Scriptures

Leader: We are gathered in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Matthew 28:19

Leader: The LORD be with you!

People: And also with you!

Ruth 2:4

Leader: Our help is in the name of the LORD,

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124

Call to Worship

Psalm 33:1-5

## We Respond to God's Call

†\* Hymn of Praise, No. 51 (Psalm 5)

*O Jehovah, Hear My Words*†

Prayer of Adoration

## God Cleanses Us of Our Sins

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Call to Confession

Romans 3:23

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

Confession of Sin

(congregation kneels, as able)

All: Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In Your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Through Christ our Lord. [*silent prayer of confession*] Amen.

† Assurance of Pardon

Romans 5:1

Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

## We Respond to God's Declaration

† The Gloria Patri

(with hands lifted)

*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. Amen, amen.*

†\* Hymn of Praise, No. 498

*Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!*

## God Consecrates Us By His Word

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## Prayer for Illumination

### Old Testament Lesson

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**Psalm 58:1-11**

(responsive reading on insert)

### New Testament Lesson

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Romans 12:17-21

+ **Psalm 49** Tune: ARLINGTON (*This is the Day the Lord Has Made*)

*v. 1*

*Do you indeed speak righteousness, you rulers of the earth?  
And do you judge the sons of men according to their worth?*

*v.2*

*No, not at all, but in your hearts you speak unrighteous ways;  
Your hands weigh out upon the earth cruel violence all your days.*

*vv. 3-5*

*The wicked from the womb rebel; from birth they utter lies.  
Their tongues of serpent's venom tell; all truth their ears despise.*

*vv. 6-9*

*Break, shatter, and destroy them, Lord; dissolve them from the day.  
Consume them by Your mighty Word; and sweep them all away.*

*vv. 10-11*

*The righteous will rejoice to see the vengeance of the Lord;  
All men will say, "True God is He; the righteous gain reward."*

+ **Gospel Lesson**

Matthew 23:23-24

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

**Sermon**

"Crying for Justice"

## We Respond to God's Instruction

+ **Affirmation of Faith**

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
He suffered and was buried;  
and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;

and He shall come again, with glory,  
to judge both the living and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together  
is worshiped and glorified;  
who spoke by the prophets;  
and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;  
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;  
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

† **The Prayer of the Church**

(When the pastor says, "God of all mercies," the congregation responds, "Hear our prayer.")

† **Doxology, No. 731** (with hands lifted)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## God Communes With Us at His Table

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† **Sursum Corda**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise!**

† **Prayer of Thanksgiving (with Sanctus and the Lord's Prayer)**

† **Sanctus**

*sung in unison*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Hosts,  
Bless - ed is he who comes  
heav'n and earth are full of your Glo - ry. } Ho -  
in the name of the Lord our God. }

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san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

† **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.**

**The Communion**

**Eucharistic Meditation and Prayer of Consecration**

**Partaking of the Bread  
Partaking of the Cup**

**We Respond to God's Gift**

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+ **Hymn of Commitment, No. 324**

*Christ is Coming!*

**God Commissions Us to Go Into the World**

+ **Charge**

+ **Benediction**

**We Respond to God's Charge**

+ **Threefold Amen, No. 740**

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