

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

January 31, 2021

Preparation for Worship

Music for Gathering

Announcements

Scripture for Meditation

Acts 3:22

For Moses truly said to the fathers, 'The Lord your God will raise up for you a Prophet like me from your brethren. Him you shall hear in all things, whatever He says to you.'

Silent Prayer

God Calls Us Into His Presence

+ 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.

Psalms 124

Call to Worship

Psalms 146:10

We Respond to God's Call

+* Hymn of Praise, No. 57 (Psalm 146)

Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul

+ Prayer of Adoration

God Cleanses Us of Our Sins

Call to Confession

Psalms 90:8

You have set our iniquities before You, our secret sins in the light of Your countenance.

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

Colossians 1:13-14

He has delivered us from the power of darkness and translated us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.

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. 246

Man of Sorrows! What a Name

God Consecrates Us By His Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson

Exodus 2:1-25

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

New Testament Lesson

Hebrews 11:23-29

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

† **Psalm 4** Tune: PICARDY – *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent*

v. 1

Hear me when I call unto You now, God of all my righteousness!

You have ever been faithful to me, have relieved me in distress!

Lord receive my prayer, release me; grant me mercy, save and bless!

vv. 2,3

How long, O you sons of the wicked, will you turn my glory to shame?

How long will you love what is worthless, seeking falsehood as your gain?

But know that the LORD has set me apart, hearing when I call on His name.

vv. 4,5

Let your anger flare, yet sin not; meditate, be still, and rest.

Turn to God and offer to Him sacrifice of righteousness.

Praise the LORD above, the God of grace; trust in Him to save and bless.

vv. 6,7

Wicked men may scorn and try us, casting doubt upon Your grace;

Send Your Spirit, LORD, don't deny us till we see Your glorious face.

You have put in us more gladness than when all their crops increase.

v. 8

I will lie down in peace, LORD, sweetly resting in Your care;

Rooted in Your strong and wise Word, finding all my comfort there.

For I trust in You alone LORD, grant me safety everywhere.

† **Gospel Lesson**

John 15:9-17

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Sermon

“By Faith Moses”

(Hebrews: Looking to Christ, Living in Hope, 39)

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

† **Sursum Corda**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

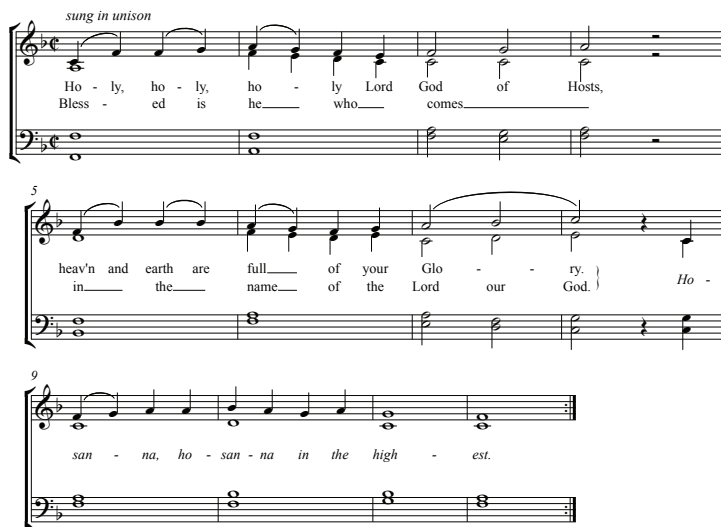
Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

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,
in the name of the Lord our God. Ho -
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

+ **Hymn of Commitment, No. 518**

Christ, of All My Hopes the Ground

God Commissions Us to Go Into the World

+ **Charge**

+ **Benediction**

We Respond to God's Charge

+ **Threefold Amen, No. 740**

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