

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

June 4, 2017

## *Preparation for Worship*

Music for Gathering

Announcements

Scripture for Meditation

Romans 8:16

*The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God.*

Silent Prayer

## *God Calls Us Into His Presence*

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† **Salutation and Responsive Scriptures**

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

**People: Amen.**

Matthew 28:19

Pastor: The LORD be with you!

**People: And also with you!**

Ruth 2:4

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

**People: Who made heaven and earth.**

Psalms 124:8

† **Call to Worship**

Psalms 99:1-3

## *We Respond to God's Call*

†\* **Hymn of Praise, No. 101**

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

† **Prayer of Adoration**

## *God Cleanses Us of Our Sins*

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**Call to Confession**

Psalms 51:3-4

*I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against You, You only, have I sinned, and done this evil in Your sight – that You may be found just when You speak, and blameless when You judge.*

**Confession of Sin**

(congregation kneels, as able)

**All:** Almighty God, You poured Your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of Your Spirit among us. We often do not listen to Your word of grace, speak the good news of Your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of Your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be Your faithful people, doing Your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. *(Silent prayer of confession)* **Amen.**

† **Assurance of Pardon**

Romans 6:23

*For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

## *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. 726**

*Spirit of the Living God*

## *God Consecrates Us By His Word*

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**Prayer for Illumination**

**Old Testament Lesson**

Genesis 11:1-9

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

**New Testament Lesson**

Acts 2:1-21

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

† **Psalm 149, Hymn No. 361**

*O Praise Ye the Lord*

† **Gospel Lesson**

John 16:4b-15

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Sermon**

“Pentecost: Babel’s Curse in Reverse”

***We Respond to God’s Instruction***

† **Affirmation of Faith**

The 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.**”)

**Tithes and Offerings**

† **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.  
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  
Distribution of Bread: Hymn No. 420 (hymnal insert)  
Distribution of Wine  
(Outermost ring of cups contain grape juice; all others contain wine)

*We Respond to God's Gift*

† **Hymn of Commitment, No. 335**

*Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me*

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*God Commissions Us to Go Into the World*

† **Commissioning of Mississippi Mission Team**  
† **Charge**  
† **Benediction**

*We Respond to God's Charge*

† **Threefold Amen, No. 740**