

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

May 28, 2017

Preparation for Worship

Music for Gathering

Announcements

Sacrament of Baptism

Scripture for Meditation

Colossians 3:1-2

If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on things on the earth.

Silent Prayer

God Calls Us Into His Presence

† 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.

Psalm 124:8

† Call to Worship

Psalm 47:5-7

We Respond to God's Call

†* Hymn of Praise, No. 290

Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

† Prayer of Adoration

God Cleanses Us of Our Sins

Call to Confession

Isaiah 53:6

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned, every one, to his own way.

Confession of Sin

(congregation kneels, as able)

All: Almighty God, You have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned Him Lord of all. We confess that we have not always bowed before Him or fully acknowledged His rule in our lives. We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give Him glory. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be Your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the Church, His body. [Silent prayer of confession] Amen.

† Assurance of Pardon

Ephesians 2:4-7

But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

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. 289

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson

Leviticus 16:1-17

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

New Testament Lesson

Hebrews 4:14-16

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

† **Psalm 42, Hymn No. 662**

As the Hart Longs for Flowing Streams

† **Gospel Lesson**

Luke 24:44-53

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Sermon

“Our Ascended High Priest”

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

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.

Threefold Amen, No. 740