

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

May 30, 2021

## Preparation for Worship

Music for Gathering  
Announcements

### Scripture for Meditation

Psalm 145:13

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,  
And Your dominion endures throughout all generations.

Silent Prayer

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## 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.**

Psalm 124

Call to Worship

Psalm 145:3

## We Respond to God's Call

### +\* Hymn of Praise, No. 316 (Psalm 50)

*The Mighty God, the Lord*

### + Prayer of Adoration

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## God Cleanses Us of Our Sins

### Call to Confession

1 John 1:8

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

### Confession of Sin

(congregation kneels, as able)

**All: Merciful God, You pardon all who truly repent and turn to You. We humbly confess our sins and ask for Your mercy. We have not loved You with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with You, our God. Have mercy on us. In Your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. [Silent prayer of confession] Amen.**

### + Assurance of Pardon

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

## 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. 305

*Arise, My Soul, Arise*

# God Consecrates Us By His Word

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## Prayer for Illumination

### Old Testament Lesson

Haggai 2:1-9

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

### New Testament Lesson

**Hebrews 12:25-29**

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

### + Hymn No. 64 (Psalm 93)

*God, the Lord, a King Remaineth*

### + Gospel Lesson

Matthew 25:31-46

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

### Sermon

*"The Unshakable Kingdom"*

*(Hebrews: Looking to Jesus, Living in Hope, 47)*

## 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.**")

† **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.  
 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. 353**

*I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord*

## God Commissions Us to Go Into the World

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† Charge

† Benediction

### We Respond to God's Charge

† Threefold Amen, No. 740

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