# Service of Worship

**Preparing for worship**—For our spiritual edification and for the benefit of one another, let us spend the time before worship in silent preparation, meditation, and prayer, reading Scripture and familiarizing ourselves with today's Scripture readings, prayers, and hymns.

Leader: The Lord be with you! **People: The Lord bless you!** 

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

**PRELUDE** 



CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 66:1-4

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

Leader: This is the Day that the Lord has made!

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit—

People: Amen!

† INTROIT Hymn # 345 – Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

† PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 66:8-12, 16-20

Oh, bless our God, you peoples!

And make the voice of His praise to be heard,

Who keeps our soul among the living,

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And does not allow our feet to be moved.

For You, O God, have tested us;

You have refined us as silver is refined.

You brought us into the net;

You laid affliction on our backs.

You have caused men to ride over our heads;

we went through fire and through water;

But You brought us out to rich fulfillment.

Come and hear, all you who fear God,

And I will declare what He has done for my soul.

I cried to Him with my mouth,

And He was extolled with my tongue.

If I regard iniquity in my heart,

The Lord will not hear.

But certainly God has heard me;

He has attended to the voice of my prayer.

Blessed be God, Who has not turned away my prayer,

Nor His mercy from me!

Leader: The Lord is near to all who call upon Him in Truth

People: He will hear their cry and save them!

† PSALM OF APPROACH Psalm 71a



God Cleanses Us

CONFESSION OF SIN (Let those who are able kneel)

Leader: Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God:

People: Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to thy promise declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we, being defended from fear of our enemies, may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen!

Leader: Arise, and hear the good news!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

John 3:16-17

John 14:15-21

Leader: Brothers and sisters, your sins are forgiven and your lives are rescued in our Lord Jesus Christ and His victory over the grave.

Believe this, and rejoice!





Leader: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

People: It is proper and right to do so.



### God Consecrates Us

† FIRST READING Acts 17:22-31

† SECOND READING

Leader: The Word of the Lord—
People: Thanks be to God!

PASTORAL PRAYER

† SERMON TEXT Romans 3:27-4:12

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Justification and Believing God
Pastor Steven Wedgeworth

† HYMN OF RESPONSE # 255 – O Jesus, We Adore Thee

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Adelaide Claire Wedgeworth

† HYMN OF REJOICING As the Hart. About to Falter



## God Communes With Us

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!

People: And His mercy endures forever!

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S TABLE

Passing of the Bread # 100 – Holy, Holy, Holy
Passing of the Wine # 115 – All Creatures of Our God and King

Leader: The Body and Blood of our Lord strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the true faith until life everlasting, in the name of the

Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen!

† GLORIA PATRI

† CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

#735

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.

Amen!



God Commissions Us

† BENEDICTION

‡ DOXOLOGY

<sup>†</sup> The congregation will please stand

<sup>‡</sup> With hands uplifted

## As the Hart, About to Falter



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Genevan Psalter, 1551 Harm. Johann Crüger, 1658

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Based on Psalm 42:1-7

## Announcements

#### **CHURCH FUNCTIONS**

- Second Sunday Lunch
  - June 8

### **NURSERY WORKERS**

- Today
  - Forsters (Sunday School)
  - Strouds (Worship)
- Next Week
  - Charlotte Oswalt (Sunday School)
  - M. Willoughbys (Worship)





SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 25, 2014

9:00 AM Sunday School and 10:30 AM Worship

Recordings of this morning's service may be downloaded from the church's website located at ipcclinton.org.

Previous services and events are also available.