

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



God Calls Us

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 67

Leader: Let us rise and worship God! In the name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen!

† INTROIT # 122 – God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory

† PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 8

O Lord, our Lord, How excellent is Your name in all the earth,
Who have set Your glory above the heavens!
Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants

You have ordained strength,
Because of Your enemies,

That You may silence the enemy and the avenger.
When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers,

The moon and the stars, which You have ordained,
What is man that You are mindful of him,

And the son of man that You visit him?
For You have made him a little lower than the angels

And You have crowned him with glory and honor.
You have made him to have dominion over the works of Your hands;

You have put all things under his feet,
All sheep and oxen—Even the beasts of the field, The birds of the air,
And the fish of the sea That pass through the paths of the seas.

O Lord, our Lord, How excellent is Your name in all the earth!

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

People: He will hear their cry and save them!

† HYMN OF APPROACH # 5 – God, My King, Thy Might Confessing



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

Titus 3:4-7

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 Nehemiah 4:1-6

† SECOND READING Luke 22:24-30

Leader: The Word of the Lord—

People: Thanks be to God!

PASTORAL PRAYER

† SERMON TEXT Philippians 2:1-11

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON *Victory through Unity*
Matthew Carpenter

† PSALM OF RESPONSE Psalm 133a

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 # 246 – Man of Sorrows! What a Name

Passing of the Wine # 253 – There is a Fountain Filled With Blood

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 # 735

† CONFESSION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*

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

† The congregation will please stand

‡ With hands uplifted

