

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



God Calls Us

CALL TO WORSHIP Isaiah 66:1-2

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

† INTROIT # 53 – *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

† PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 138
I will praise You with my whole heart;
Before the gods I will sing praises to You.
I will worship toward Your holy temple,
And praise Your name
For Your lovingkindness and Your truth;
For You have magnified Your word above all Your name.
In the day when I cried out, You answered me,
And made me bold with strength in my soul.
All the kings of the earth shall praise You, O Lord,
When they hear the words of Your mouth.
Yes, they shall sing of the ways of the Lord,
For great is the glory of the Lord.
Though the Lord is on high,
Yet He regards the lowly;
But the proud He knows from afar.
Though I walk in the midst of trouble, You will revive me;
You will stretch out Your hand
Against the wrath of my enemies,
And Your right hand will save me.
The Lord will perfect that which concerns me;
Your mercy, O Lord, endures forever;
Do not forsake the works of Your hands.

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 # 660 – *O God beyond All Praising*



God Cleanses Us

CONFESSION OF SIN (Psalm 51 selected verses)
Leader: Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God:
People: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me by your generous Spirit. Amen!

Leader: Arise, and hear the good news!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON John 3:16-17

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!

Musical notation for the Assurance of Pardon. It consists of two staves of music in G major, 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a forte (fff) dynamic marking. The lyrics are: Hal-le - lu-jah! Praise to God the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit. The second staff continues the melody with the lyrics: Glo-ry to You, O Lord, both now and for-ev - er. Hal - le - lu - jah!

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 Ruth 2:1-13
† SECOND READING Matthew 8:5-13

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

PASTORAL PRAYER
† SERMON TEXT Matthew 15:21-28
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
SERMON *Persistent Faith*
Pastor Jay Barfield

† HYMN OF RESPONSE # 94 – *How Firm a Foundation*



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 # 656 – *Jesus Priceless Treasure* (vv. 1-2)
Passing of the Wine # 656 – *Jesus Priceless Treasure* (vv. 3-5)

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

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- There will be a church-wide couples shower for Baleigh & Will on July 14.

