

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

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP John 4:23-24

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

† INTROIT 281 – *I Know That My Redeemer Lives*

† PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

† RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 23  
The Lord is my shepherd  
**I shall not want.**  
He makes me to lie down in green pastures;  
**He leads me beside the still waters.**  
He restores my soul;  
**He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.**  
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
**I will fear no evil;**  
For You are with me;  
**Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.**  
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;  
**You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over.**  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;  
**And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

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 283 – *Alleluia! Alleluia!*



God Cleanses Us

CONFESSION OF SIN (kneeling, if able)  
Leader: Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God:  
Leader: O God, whose chosen dwelling is a heart that longs for Your presence and humbly seeks Your love:  
**People: We come to You to acknowledge and confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed; We have not loved You with our whole heart, soul, mind and strength; Nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and for the good we have left undone. But You, O Lord, are gracious and full of**

**compassion. You are slow to anger and abounding in mercy, and there is forgiveness with You. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation; Bind up that which is broken; Give light to our minds; Give strength to our wills and rest to our souls. Let Your Word abide with us and work in us Your holy will. Amen!**

Leader: Arise, and hear the good news!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Ephesians 2:1-6

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

† Old Testament Reading Psalm 9:9-12

† New Testament Reading Romans 8:35-39

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

PASTORAL PRAYER

† SERMON TEXT John 14:1-3

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON The Christian's Fight  
Wes Strebeck

† HYMN OF RESPONSE 523 – *My Hope Is in the Lord*



God Communes With Us

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord our God!  
**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 98 – *Now Thank We All Our God*  
Passing of the Wine 100 – *Holy, Holy, Holy!*

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  
**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**

† CONFESSION OF FAITH 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.**



God Commissions Us

† BENEDICTION

DOXOLOGY (with hands uplifted)  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!**

<sup>1</sup> † The congregation will please stand

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- Benjamin Barfield
- Rebekah Barfield
- Libby Grete
- Will Young



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