



Worship is a response to the love of God that brings us out of darkness into his light. The rhythm and flow of the service reflects this present reality as God calls his people and reveals himself, forgives their sins, teaches them from his Word, the Bible, feeds them, and then sends them out to live what they have learned.

This is the pattern of his love in redeeming and saving his people.

## GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE AND REVEALS HIMSELF

*God calls His people to worship and come before Him. The Creator of all things reveals Himself through His Word and calls us into His presence.*

### Prelude, Announcements & Preparation

#### Introit—O For a Thousand Tongues, Vs I & 2

O for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem-er's praise,  
My gra-cious Mas-ter and my God, as-sist me to pro-claim,

the glo-ries of my God and King, the tri-umphs of His grace.  
to spread through all the earth a-broad the hon-ors of Thy name.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1739; Music: AZMON, Carl G. Gläser, 1784-1829, Arr. By Lowell Mason, 1839.

#### Call to Worship—Psalm 145:8-13

Pastor: The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

All: The LORD is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

Pastor: All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,

All: and all your saints shall bless you!

Pastor: They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom and tell of your power,

All: to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds,  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Pastor: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,

All: and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

#### Hymn of Praise—Praise to the Lord

Praise to the Lord, the Al-might-y, the King of cre-a-tion! O my soul,  
Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous-ly reign-eth, shel-ters thee  
Praise to the Lord, who doth pros-per thy work and de-fend thee! Sure-ly his  
Praise to the Lord, who with mar-vel-ous wis-dom hath made thee, decked thee with  
Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a-dore him! All that hath

praise him, for he is thy health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear,  
 un - der his wings, yea, so gent - ly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen  
 good - ness and mer - cy here dai - ly at - tend thee; pon - der a - new  
 health, and with lov - ing hand guid - ed and stayed thee. How oft in grief  
 life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him! let the A - men

now to his tem - ple draw near, join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion.  
 how thy de - sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?  
 what the Al - might - y will do, if with his love he be - friend thee.  
 hath not he brought thee re - lief, spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee!  
 sound from his peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

Text: Psalm 103, Joachim Neander, 1680, Tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1863;  
 Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, *Stralsund Gesangbuch*, 1665, Arr. in *Praxis Pietatis Melica*, 1668.

### Hymn of Refuge—Call Jehovah, Your Salvation

Call Je - ho - vah your sal - va - tion, rest be - neath th'Al - might - y's shade;  
 From the sword at noon - day wast - ing, from the noi - some pes - ti - lence,  
 Since, with pure and firm af - fec - tion you on God have set your love,

in his se - cret hab - i - ta - tion dwell, and nev - er be dis - mayed:  
 in the depth of mid - night blast - ing, God shall be your sure de - fense:  
 with the wings of his pro - tec - tion he will shield you from a - bove:

there no tu - mult shall a - larm you, you shall dread no hid - den snare:  
 he shall charge his an - gel le - gions watch and ward o'er you to keep;  
 you shall call on him in trou - ble, he will hear - ken, he will save;

guile nor vi - o - lence can harm you, in e - ter - nal safe - guard there.  
 though you walk through hos - tile re - gions, though in de - sert wilds you sleep.  
 here for grief re - ward you dou - ble, crown with life be - yond the grave.

Text: Psalm 91, James Montgomery, 1822; Music: CALL JEHOVAH, Gregory Wilbur, 1996.  
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+++Latecomers Please Wait to be Seated+++

### New Testament Reading—Luke 6:27-35

<sup>27</sup>“But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,<sup>28</sup> bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. <sup>29</sup>To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic either. <sup>30</sup>Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. <sup>31</sup>And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.

<sup>32</sup>“If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. <sup>33</sup>And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. <sup>34</sup>And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount. <sup>35</sup>But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil. <sup>36</sup>Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

### GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESSION, REPENTANCE & RECONCILIATION

*The People of God respond to His Word by confessing their sins, repenting of their sinful ways, and seeking God’s favor through the reconciling work of Jesus, the Son of God.*

### Sung Response—Psalm 139:23-24

Search me, O God; my heart discern; \_\_\_\_\_  
 And try me, ev - 'ry thought to \_\_\_\_\_ learn, \_\_\_\_\_  
 And see if an - - - y sin \_\_\_\_\_ holds sway.  
 Lead in the ev - er - last - ing way. \_\_\_\_\_

Text: Psalm 139, *Psalter*, 1871; Music: Gregory Wilbur, 2006. © 2006 Greyfriars Press, Used by Permission.

### Corporate Confession of Sin—based on Matthew 23:1-36

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing. Keep us from being like the scribes and Pharisees who preach but do not practice.

All: Too often our righteous deeds are motivated by the approval of others.

Pastor: But You are our Father, and in Your Kingdom the greatest shall be Your servant.

All: For whoever exalts himself will be humbled,  
and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.

Pastor: Father, in our hypocrisy we shut the Kingdom of heaven in people’s faces.

All: We concentrate on minor things and neglect the weightier matters of the Law: justice and mercy and faithfulness.

Pastor: Outwardly we are beautiful and may look like we have it all together,  
but we are full of greed and self-indulgence, hypocrisy and lawlessness.

All: Forgive us for following our own kingdoms, living superficially,  
and not seeking first Your Kingdom.

## Silent Prayers of Confession

### Assurance of Pardon—Colossians I:II-14

May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

+++Latecomers are Welcome to be Seated+++

### Psalm of Supplication—Psalm 42: As the Deer Pants for Fresh Water

As the deer pants for fresh wa - ter let my soul, Lord, pant for You! Let my  
Now I pour my soul out in me as these thoughts come to my mind. And I  
Oh my God, my soul is wear - y, there - fore I re - mem - ber You. Let Your  
Lord, for - get me not in mourn - ing 'neath my foes' op - press - ing hand. See their  
soul thirst as it ought to for the Sav - ior, ev - er true! Tears by  
long to once a - gain be where true wor - ship I might find. Oh my  
grace and good - ness near be, and Your pro - mise, firm and true. Lord, when  
mock - ing, hear their scorn - ing; help my wear - y soul to stand. Hope in  
day have been my por - tion, tears by night have been my food, While my  
soul, be not des - pair - ing! Hope in God, and praise His Name! For the  
trials and fears sur - round me, Your com - mands will be my song; When dis -  
God, praise Him for - ev - er when des - pair on you has trod. Look to  
foes add to my sor - row, say - ing, "Where now is your God?"  
Lord, your bur - den bear - ing, will re - store your peace a - gain.  
tress - es sore con - found me, Your great love will keep me strong.  
Je - sus; nev - er, nev - er doubt your grac - ious, sav - ing God.

Text: Psalm 42, *The Ailbe Psalter*, 2006; Music: NETTLETON, Asahel Nettleton, 1825

# GOD TEACHES US THROUGH HIS WORD

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## The Reading of the Word—Romans 12:9-21

<sup>9</sup> Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. <sup>10</sup> Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. <sup>11</sup> Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. <sup>13</sup> Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

<sup>14</sup> Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup> Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup> Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. <sup>17</sup> Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup> If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. <sup>19</sup> Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” <sup>20</sup> To the contrary, “if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.” <sup>21</sup> Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades;

All: But the Word of our God will stand forever.

## Sermon—Life in the Family of God, part 9

*Overcome Evil With Good*

—Tony Giles, Assistant Pastor

## Sung Response—Doxology

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be-low; praise him a-bove ye heav'n-ly host: Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1709; Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois's *Genevan Psalter*, 1551.

## Profession of Faith—The Apostles' Creed

We believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into Heaven  
and now sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,  
from whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

We 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.

\* "Catholic" refers to the universal church of God's people throughout all time and from all places

## Sung Response—Sanctus

WOMEN  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord. Ho - ly, ho - ly, God of pow'r and might,

MEN  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord. Ho - ly, ho - ly, God of pow'r and might, -

Heav'n and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Heav'n and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

Bless - ed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho

high - est, Ho san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est. A - men.

san - nah in the high - est, Ho san - na in the high - est. A - men.

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# Words of Institution and the Lord's Table

## Guidelines for the Lord's Supper

*The Lord's Supper is the family meal for Christians. We invite all baptized Christians who are members of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, and who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ to join us.*

*If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. You can find some sample prayers on the next page. We hope that this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with His people, the church.*

*At Cornerstone, we come forward to receive communion. You may take the bread at the first table and then proceed to either side for the wine/grape juice.*

## Hymn of Communion—Rock of Ages



Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;  
Not the la - bor of my hands Can ful - fill Thy\_\_ law's de-mands;  
Noth - ing in my hand I bring, sim - ply to thy\_\_ cross I cling;  
While I draw this fleet - ing breath, When mine eyes shall\_\_ close in death,



Let the wa - ter and the blood, from thy riv - en side which flowed,  
Could my zeal no re - spite know, Could my tears for - ev - er flow,  
na - ked, come to thee for dress; help - less look to thee for grace;  
When I soar to worlds un - known, See Thee on Thy judg - ment throne,

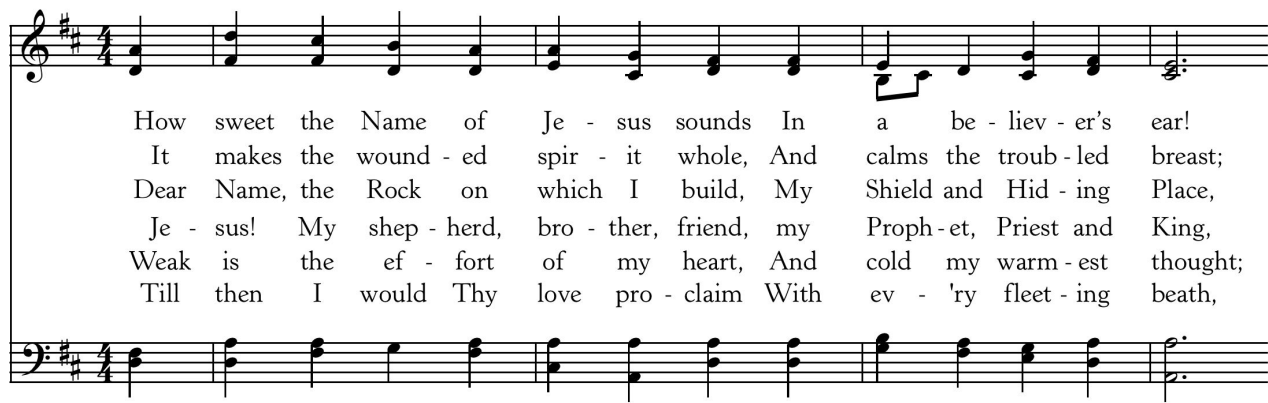


be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse me from its guilt and\_\_ power.  
All for sin could not a - tone; Thou must save, and Thou a - lone.  
foul, I to the Foun-tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I\_\_ die.  
Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in\_\_ Thee.

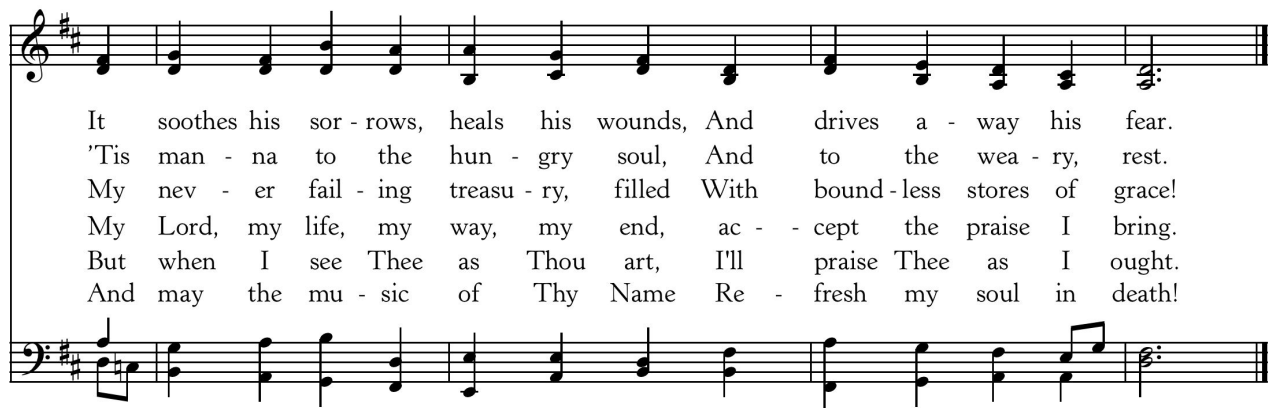
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Music: NEW CITY FELLOWSHIP, James Ward. 1984.



## Hymn of Reflection—How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds



How sweet the Name of Je - sus sounds In a be - liev - er's ear!  
It makes the wound - ed spir - it whole, And calms the troub - led breast;  
Dear Name, the Rock on which I build, My Shield and Hid - ing Place,  
Je - sus! My shep - herd, bro - ther, friend, my Proph - et, Priest and King,  
Weak is the ef - fort of my heart, And cold my warm - est thought;  
Till then I would Thy love pro - claim With ev - 'ry fleet - ing beath,



It soothes his sor - rows, heals his wounds, And drives a - way his fear.  
'Tis man - na to the hun - gry soul, And to the wea - ry, rest.  
My nev - er fail - ing treasu - ry, filled With bound - less stores of grace!  
My Lord, my life, my way, my end, ac - - cept the praise I bring.  
But when I see Thee as Thou art, I'll praise Thee as I ought.  
And may the mu - sic of Thy Name Re - fresh my soul in death!

Music: Text: John Newton, 1774; Music: ST. PETER, Alexander R. Reinagle, 1836.

### Prayers for Those Not Taking the Lord's Supper

If you are not able to partake in the Lord's Supper today, please use this time to meditate on one of the following prayers.

*Prayer for Those Searching for Truth.* Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

*Prayer of Belief.* Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

*Prayer of Commitment.* Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship through membership in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

# GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND IN GRATEFUL PRAISE

## Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

### *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.*

## Hymn of Praise—Glory be to God the Father

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.

Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to God the Son, Glo - ry  
Glo - ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each spot and stain! Glo - ry  
Glo - ry to the king of an - gels, Glor - y to the Church - 's king, Glo - ry  
"Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal!" Thus the choir of an - gels sings; "Ho - nor,  
be to God the Spir - it, Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,  
be to Him who bought us, Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo - ry,  
to the king of na - tions! Heaven and earth, your prais - es bring; Glo - ry,  
rich - es, power, do - min - ion!" Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings; Glo - ry,  
glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, While e - ter - nal ag - es run!  
glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, To the Lamb that once was slain!  
glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, To the King of glo - ry bring!  
glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of kings!

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# GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT TO BE LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS

*After calling His people into His presence, forgiving their sins, instructing them in His Word, and providing a foretaste of the marriage supper of the Lamb, God sends His people into the world to show His light in the darkness.*

## Benediction—II Timothy 4:18

The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## Sung Response—Christ Be With Me (*from St. Patrick's Breastplate*)

Christ be with me, Christ with-in me, Christ be-hind me, Christ be-fore me, Christ be-side me, Christ to  
win me, Christ to com-fort and re-store me, Christ be-neath me, Christ a-bove me, Christ in qui-et, Christ in  
dan-ger, Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stran-ger.

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the vocal line.

Text: *Atomriug indui niurt tren*, St. Patrick, 372-466, Trans by Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818-95;  
Music: ST. PATRICK CLONMACNOISE, Traditional Irish Hymn Melody.

### Prayer Focus—Colleen McGarry, Servant Group International (SGI), Nashville, TN

Colleen McGarry is the local programs coordinator as well as the director of communications for SGI in Nashville. She organizes local volunteer opportunities, specifically English classes for women. She loves to help people overcome their fears and love those that are different than they are. She is also responsible for managing the social media and website for SGI.

- Pray for wisdom in dealing with deep problems among refugee women.
- Pray for opportunities to share the gospel with the refugee women (both for Colleen and her volunteers).
- Pray for wisdom in mentoring and caring for her volunteers.
- Pray for financial provision for Colleen as well as for the programs she coordinates.
- Prayer for creative ways to draw more people into personal relationships with Muslims.
- If you would like to be added to Colleen's regular update email or mailing list, email her at [abundantblessing@gmail.com](mailto:abundantblessing@gmail.com)

Today's message, "Overcome Evil with Good" is taken from Romans 12:19-21. Please take time to discuss the questions below with your family, friends or Home Fellowship Group.

1. "The best way to get rid of an enemy is to turn him (or her) into a friend." Have you ever turned an enemy into a friend? Recount the story without using names.
2. What are some ways to surprise an enemy with kindness? How does offering goodness invite an enemy to pursue life?
3. In the pursuit of revenge, Edmond Dantés said, "Fool that I am . . . that I did not tear out my heart the day I resolved to revenge myself." What is the high cost of seeking revenge? What price do you pay?
4. Read I Peter 3:9. Note Peter's reference to 'calling.' How does a sense of calling help apply the exhortation?
5. How are you challenged by this text and message? Where does the Spirit of God need to work in your heart and life in order to put this into practice?

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