

PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Let us rise as the Triune God, God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, calls His Church now into His presence to worship Him. I ask you this morning, Congregation of the Lord Jesus Christ, where does your help come from?

Our help comes from the LORD, Who made heaven and earth. Let the earth rejoice.

Psalm 121:1-2

Psalm 97:1

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The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in His temple.

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For He will hide me in His shelter in the day of trouble;
He will conceal me under the cover of His tent; He will
lift me high upon a rock.

**And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies
all around me, and I will offer in His tent sacrifices
with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the
Lord.**

Psalm 27:1,4,5,6

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Opening Prayer

(In Unison)

Please stand, if you are able.

Lord God Almighty, how blessed we are to come into Your presence. Lord, we come with fear and confidence, because You have made it possible for us by the blood of Jesus. You have made it possible because You inaugurated a new way for us through the veil, that is the flesh of Your Son, Jesus Christ; and since we have Him as our great High Priest, we draw near with sincere hearts, in full assurance of faith, with consciences and lives cleansed by

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the blood of the Lamb, set aside for Your service and glory! O Lord, let us worship You today in Spirit and in Truth. Help us to hold fast the confession of hope without wavering, for You Who promised are faithful; and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, not forsaking our assembling together, but encouraging one another, and all the more as we see the day drawing near. We pray in Jesus' Name! Amen

(End)

Psalm 68 (verses 1,2,4)

“O Lord, You Have Ascended”

Please stand, if you are able.

O Lord, You have ascended
on high in might to reign;
captivity You lead as
a captive in Your train.
Rich gifts to You are offered
by those who once rebelled,
who pray that now Jehovah,
their God, with them, may dwell.

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Blest be the Lord who daily
our heavy burden bears,
the God of our salvation
Who for His people cares.
Our God is near to help us,
our God is strong to save;
the Lord alone is able
to ransom from the grave.

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All glory, might, and honor
ascribe to God on high;
His arm protects His people
who on His arm rely.
Forth from Your holy dwelling
You send Your mighty voice;
You strengthen those who fear You;
who in Your works rejoice!

(End)

**GOD CALLS US TO CONFESS,
TO REPENT AND TO RECONCILE**

God's Commandments

Exodus 20:1-17

We Pray and Confess Our Sin
(Led by Pastor)

God's Assurance to His Repentant People

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.

Colossians 1:13,14

Hymn 305

“I Hear the Savior Say”

Please stand, if you are able.

I hear the Savior say,
"Thy strength indeed is small.
Child of weakness, watch and pray,
Find in Me thine all in all."

Refrain:

Jesus paid it all,
All to Him I owe.
Sin had left a crimson stain;
He washed it white as snow.

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Lord, now indeed I find
Thy pow'r, and Thine alone
Can change the leper's spots
And melt the heart of stone.

Refrain:

Jesus paid it all,
All to Him I owe.
Sin had left a crimson stain;
He washed it white as snow.

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For nothing good have I
Whereby Thy grace to claim;
I'll wash my garments white
In the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb.

Refrain:

Jesus paid it all,
All to Him I owe.
Sin had left a crimson stain;
He washed it white as snow.

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And when before the throne
I stand in Him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save,"
My lips shall still repeat.

Refrain:

Jesus paid it all,
All to Him I owe.
Sin had left a crimson stain;
He washed it white as snow.

(End)

We Profess Our Faith

Westminster Larger Catechism Q195

Please stand, if you are able.

Q. What do we pray for in the sixth petition?

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Answer

A. In the sixth petition, (which is, And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,) acknowledging that the most wise, righteous, and gracious God, for diverse holy and just ends, may so order things that we may be assaulted, foiled, and for a time led captive by temptations; that Satan, the world, and the flesh, are

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Answer

ready to powerfully draw us aside and ensnare us; and that we, even after the pardon of our sins, by reason of our corruption, weakness, and want of watchfulness, are not only subject to be tempted, and forward to expose ourselves unto temptations, but also of ourselves unable and unwilling to resist them....

(End)

Old Testament Scripture Reading

Psalm 44:1-13

We Worship God with Our Tithes and Offerings

Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.

Proverbs 3:9-10

Prayer

(Led by a Ruling Elder)

The Doxology

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.

Please stand, if you are able.

New Testament Scripture Reading

Titus 3

Pastoral Prayer

(Led by Pastor)

Sing

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

Please stand, if you are able.

O come all ye faithful
Joyful and triumphant
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem
Come and behold Him
Born the King of angels

Refrain 1

O come, let us adore Him
O come, let us adore Him
O come, let us adore Him
Christ the Lord

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Sing, choirs of angels
Sing in exultation
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above
Glory to God all
Glory in the highest

Refrain 1

O come, let us adore Him
O come, let us adore Him
O come, let us adore Him
Christ the Lord

(Continue)

Yea, Lord we praise Thee
You are Emanuel.
Jesus to Thee be all glory giv'n
Word of the Father now in flesh appearing

Refrain 2

We'll praise Your name forever
We'll praise Your name forever
We'll praise Your name forever
Christ the Lord

(End)

**THE LORD SPEAKS TO US
THROUGH HIS WORD**

Scripture Reading

Exodus 17:8-16 (13-16)

Sermon

“Let Us Remember and Repent”

Pastor Theo van Blerk

**GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND
TO HIS WORD**

Prayer

Sing

“All Glory Be to Christ Our King”

Please stand, if you are able.

Should nothing of our efforts stand
No legacy survive
Unless the Lord does raise the house
In vain its builders strive
To you who boast tomorrow's gain
Tell me what is your life
A mist that vanishes at dawn
All glory be to Christ

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[Refrain]

All glory be to Christ our King
All glory be to Christ
His rule and reign we'll ever sing
All glory be to Christ

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His will be done; His kingdom come
On earth as is above
Who is Himself our daily bread
Praise Him the Lord of love
Let living water satisfy
The thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet
All glory be to Christ

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[Refrain]

All glory be to Christ our King
All glory be to Christ
His rule and reign we'll ever sing
All glory be to Christ

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When on the day the great I Am
The Faithful and the True
The Lamb, Who was for sinners slain
Is making all things new
Behold our God shall live with us
And be our steadfast light
And we shall e'er his people be
All glory be to Christ

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[Refrain]

All glory be to Christ our King
All glory be to Christ
His rule and reign we'll ever sing
All glory be to Christ

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THE LORD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT

Please stand, if you are able.

The Blessing of God's People

Now to Him, Who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of His glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

Jude 1:24-25

Please stand, if you are able.

Leader: “*Christ is Risen!*”

All: “*He is Risen Indeed!*”