

# PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

## *Prelude*

- *The bullet points indicate when to stand if you are able.*

**GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO  
WORSHIP HIM**

Let us stand as the Triune God, God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, now calls His Church into His presence to worship Him. I ask you this morning:

Grace Presbyterian Church, who is He, in Whose Name we are gathered to worship today?

He is “Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to His own advantage; rather, He made Himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross! Therefore, God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the Name that is above every name, that at the Name of Jesus, every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father.”

Philippians 2:5-11

# Call to Worship

*Please stand, if you are able.*

Praise the LORD.

**Sing to the LORD a new song, His praise in the assembly of His faithful people.**

**Let Israel rejoice in their Maker; let the people of Zion be glad in their King.**

*Psalm 149:1-2*

# Opening Prayer

*(Led by Pastor)*

Please stand, if you are able.

# Hymn 112

*“Give To Our God Immortal Praise”*

*Please stand, if you are able.*



Give to our God immortal praise;  
Mercy and truth are all His ways:  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah!  
Wonders of grace to God belong,  
Repeat His mercies in your song:  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

*(Continue)*

Give to the Lord of lords renown;  
The King of kings with glory crown:  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah!  
His mercies ever shall endure,  
When lords and kings are known no more:  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

*(Continue)*

He built the earth; He spread the sky;  
And fixed the starry lights on high:  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah!  
Wonders of grace to God belong,  
Repeat His mercies in your song:  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

*(End)*

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

# God's Ten Commandments

*Exodus 20.1-17*

**We Pray and Confess Our Sin**

*(All in Unison)*

Heavenly Father, You have showered upon us so many blessings that we are not able to comprehend them, much less to count them. We especially thank You that You have led us to the light of Your truth and to the knowledge of Your holy gospel. Time and again, however, we have ungratefully forgotten Your benefits, and deserted You, by following the desires of our own hearts. We have not honored You as we should have. We have grievously sinned against You.

*Continue*

If You were to bring us into judgment, we could expect nothing but condemnation and eternal death. But, Lord, look upon the face of Your Anointed. Cleanse us through His blood from all our sins and remove Your wrath through His intercession. Work in us mightily and daily put to death our sinful nature as You sanctify us each day of our lives through Your Word and Spirit.

*End*



# God's Assurance to His Repentant People

He made Him Who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

*2 Corinthians 5:21*

# Hymn 499

*“I Will Sing the Wondrous Story”*

*Please stand, if you are able.*

I will sing the wondrous story  
Of the Christ who died for me;  
How He left His home in glory  
For the cross of Calvary.

*Refrain:*

Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story  
Of the Christ who died for me—  
Sing it with the saints in glory,  
Gathered by the crystal sea.

*(Continue)*

I was lost, but Jesus found me—  
Found the sheep that went astray;  
Threw His loving arms around me,  
Drew me back into His way.

*Refrain:*

Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story  
Of the Christ who died for me—  
Sing it with the saints in glory,  
Gathered by the crystal sea.

*(Continue)*

Days of darkness still come o'er me,  
Sorrow's paths I often tread.  
But the Savior still is with me;  
By His hand I'm safely led.

*Refrain:*

Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story  
Of the Christ who died for me—  
Sing it with the saints in glory,  
Gathered by the crystal sea.

*(Continue)*

He will keep me till the river  
Rolls its waters at my feet;  
Then He'll bear me safely over,  
Where the loved ones I shall meet.

*Refrain:*

Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story  
Of the Christ who died for me—  
Sing it with the saints in glory,  
Gathered by the crystal sea.

*(End)*

# **We Profess Our Faith**

*Westminster Confession of Faith  
(Chapter 19 – Of the Law of God)*

*Please stand, if you are able.*

*What does the Bible teach us about the Law of God?*

**I. God gave to Adam a law, as a covenant of works, by which He bound him and all his posterity to personal, entire, exact, and perpetual obedience; promised life upon the fulfilling, and threatened death upon the breach of it; and endued him with power and ability to keep it.**

*(Next)*



**II. This law, after his fall, continued to be a perfect rule of righteousness; and, as such, was delivered by God upon Mount Sinai in ten commandments, and written in two tables; the first four commandments containing our duty towards God, and the other six our duty to man.**

*(End)*

# **We Worship God with Our Tithes and Offerings**

*“Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the  
LORD your God which He has given you.”*

*Deuteronomy 16:17*

# **Collection of Tithes and Offerings**

# **Prayer for God's Provision**

*(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.*

# **Pastoral Prayer**

*Led by Pastor Theo van Blerk*

## Psalm 93

*“The Lord is Robed in Majesty”*

*Please stand, if you are able.*

The Lord is robed in majesty;  
Forever He shall reign.  
His world is firm and shall not move;  
Our God is clothed in strength.

*(Continue )*



You are the everlasting God;  
You reign from ancient days.  
And from the mighty pounding flood,  
The waters lift their praise.

*(Continue )*

Yet greater is our glorious God  
Than ocean's stormy roar.  
How firm and faithful is Your Word,  
Both now and evermore.

*(End)*

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

# Scripture Reading

*Exodus 19.1-17*

*Hebrews 12.18-24*

# **Sermon**

*“Who May Come into the Presence of the Lord?”*

*Pastor Theo van Blerk*

# **Communion**

*Fencing of the Table*

*Prayer*

*The Words of Institution*

*The Administration of the Lord's Supper*

**GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND  
TO GOD'S WORD AND SACRAMENT**

# Prayer

*Pastor Theo van Blerk*



**Collection of Tithes & Offerings**  
**Special Collection: For Mercy Ministry**

# *Hymn 338*

*“Wonderful Grace of Jesus”*

*Please stand, if you are able.*

Wonderful grace of Jesus,  
Greater than all my sin,  
How shall my tongue describe it?  
Where shall its praise begin?  
Taking away my burden,  
Setting my spirit free;  
For the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me.

*(Continue)*

## Refrain:

Wonderful the matchless grace,  
the matchless grace of Jesus,

Deeper than the mighty rolling sea, the rolling sea.

Higher than the mountain; sparkling like a fountain;

All-sufficient grace for me, for even me.

Broader than the scope of my transgressions;

Greater far than all my sin and shame.

O magnify the precious name of Jesus; Praise His name!

*(Continue)*

Wonderful grace of Jesus,  
Reaching to all the lost.  
By it I have been pardoned,  
Saved to the uttermost.  
Chains have been torn asunder,  
Giving me liberty;  
For the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me.

*(Continue)*

## Refrain:

Wonderful the matchless grace,  
the matchless grace of Jesus,

Deeper than the mighty rolling sea, the rolling sea.

Higher than the mountain; sparkling like a fountain;

All-sufficient grace for me, for even me.

Broader than the scope of my transgressions;

Greater far than all my sin and shame.

O magnify the precious name of Jesus; Praise His name!

*(Continue)*

Wonderful grace of Jesus,  
Reaching the most defiled.  
By its transforming power  
Making him God's dear child.  
Purchasing peace and heaven  
For all eternity;  
For the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me.

*(Continue)*

## Refrain:

Wonderful the matchless grace,  
the matchless grace of Jesus,

Deeper than the mighty rolling sea, the rolling sea.

Higher than the mountain; sparkling like a fountain;

All-sufficient grace for me, for even me.

Broader than the scope of my transgressions;

Greater far than all my sin and shame.

O magnify the precious name of Jesus; Praise His name!

*(End)*



# THE LORD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT

*Prayer for the Blessing of God's People*

*Please stand, if you are able.*

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*

**Leader:** “*Christ is Risen!*”

**All:** “*He is Risen Indeed!*”