

# ORDER OF WORSHIP MARCH 23, 2025

When the musical prelude begins, the congregation is invited to spend time preparing their hearts for corporate worship.

CALL TO WORSHIP Colossians 3:16-17

Leader: Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all

wisdom.

People: Singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts

to God.

All: And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord

Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

#### PRAYER OF INVOCATION

#### PSALM OF PRAISE

- 1. All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the LORD with cheerful voice; Serve him with joy, his praises tell, come now before Him and rejoice!
- 2. Know that the LORD is God indeed; he formed us all without our aid. We are the flock he surely feeds, The sheep who by his hand were made.

# All People That on Earth Do Dwell (Psalm 100)

- 3. O enter then his gates with joy, within his courts his praise proclaim! Let thankful songs your tongues employ. O bless and magnify his name!
- 4. Because the LORD our God is good; his mercy is forever sure. His faithfulness at all times stood. and shall from age to age endure.

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#### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

# **Deuteronomy 32:34-39**

<sup>34</sup>"Is not this laid up in store with me, sealed up in my treasuries? <sup>35</sup>Vengeance is mine, and recompense, for the time when their foot shall slip; for the day of their calamity is at hand and their doom comes swiftly. <sup>36</sup>For the Lord will vindicate his people and have compassion on his servants, when he sees that their power is gone and there is none remaining, bond or free. <sup>37</sup>Then he will say, 'Where are their gods, the rock in which they took refuge, <sup>38</sup>who ate the fat of their sacrifices and drank the wine of their drink offering? Let them rise up and help you; let them be your protection! <sup>39</sup>See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god beside me; I kill and I make alive; I wound and I heal; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand.'

#### SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ezekiel 36:26-27

<sup>26</sup> And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. <sup>27</sup> And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

### CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Christopher Luke Perdieu, Jr. (8:15 am)

Erik Matthew Johnson (11 am)

#### **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, from age to age. Amen, amen.

#### PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

#### **HYMN OF PREPARATION**

- 1. Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art; Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
- 2. Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord; Thou my great Father and I Thy true son, Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.
- 3. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always; Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.
- 4. High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all. Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

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#### **CONGREGATIONAL READING**

#### Romans 15:4-6

<sup>4</sup> For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. <sup>5</sup> May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## **Romans 12:17-21**

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# <sup>17</sup>Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. 18If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. 19Beloved, 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." 21Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good. **SERMON NOTES**

#### **OFFERING HYMN**

1. Jesus, cast a look on me; Give me sweet simplicity. Make me poor and keep me low, Seeking only Thee to know.

2. All that feeds my busy pride,Cast it evermore aside.Bid my will to Thine submit,Lay me humbly at Thy feet.

3. Make me like a little child, Of my strength and wisdom spoiled, Seeing only in Thy light, Walking only in Thy might.

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# Jesus Cast a Look on Me

4. Leaning on Thy loving breast, Where a weary soul can rest. Feeling well the peace of God Flowing from His precious blood.

5. In this posture let me live And hosannas daily give. In this temper let me die And hosannas ever cry.

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#### **SONG OF RESPONSE**

1. In tenderness He sought me Weary and sick with sin, And on His shoulders brought me Back to His fold again, While angels in His presence sang Until the courts of heaven rang.

#### Chorus

O - o - oh the love that sought me O - o - oh the blood that bought me Oh the grace that brought me to the fold of God Grace that brought me to the fold of God.

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## In Tenderness

2. He died for me while I was sinning Needy and poor and blind. He whispered to assure me "I've found thee; thou art Mine." I never heard a sweeter voice. It made my aching heart rejoice. Chorus

3. Upon His grace I'll daily ponder And sing anew His praise With all adoring wonder His blessings I'll retrace. It seems as if eternal days Are far too short to sing His praise. Chorus x2

#### **BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL**

Minister: Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

People: THANKS BE TO GOD!