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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**APRIL 6, 2025**

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

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Psalm 57:7-11**

Leader: My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast!

**People: I will sing and make melody! Awake, my glory! Awake, O harp and lyre! I will awake the dawn!**

Leader: I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples; I will sing praises to you among the nations.

**People: For your steadfast love is great to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds. Be exalted, O God, above the heavens! Let your glory be over all the earth!**

**PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

## O Worship the King

1. O worship the King, all glorious above,  
And gratefully sing His power and His love.  
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,  
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.
2. O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,  
Whose robe is the light, Whose canopy space;  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,  
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.
3. Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;  
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.
4. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail.  
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end;  
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend.

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## OLD TESTAMENT READING

## Psalm 73:25-28

<sup>25</sup>Whom have I in heaven but you? And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you. <sup>26</sup>My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.  
<sup>27</sup>For behold, those who are far from you shall perish; you put an end to everyone who is unfaithful to you. <sup>28</sup>But for me it is good to be near God; I have made the Lord God my refuge, that I may tell of all your works.

## CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Merciful Father, the psalmist declares “Whom have I in heaven but you? And there is nothing on earth I desire besides you.” We confess, heavenly Father, that our desires for this world and what it offers too often displace our delight in and desire for you. We are busy and distracted, making little effort to dwell in your presence, listen to your voice, look on your beauty, pursue your glory. Forgive us and for the glory of Christ who sought us that we might know you, please grant us grace to seek your face with all our heart, soul, mind and strength.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## Colossians 1:21-22

And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him

## **HYMN OF ASSURANCE**

1. Before the throne of God, above,  
I have a strong and perfect plea:  
A great High Priest whose name is Love,  
Who ever lives and pleads for me.  
My name is graven on His hands.  
My name is written on His heart.  
I know that while in heav'n He stands,  
No tongue can bid me thence depart,  
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

2. When Satan tempts me to despair  
And tells me of the guilt within,  
Upward I look and see Him there  
Who made an end of all my sin.  
Because the sinless Savior died,  
My sinful soul is counted free.  
For God, the Just, is satisfied  
To look on Him and pardon me,  
To look on Him and pardon me.

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## **PRAYER OF INTERCESSION**

## **COLLECTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS**

### **OFFERATORY SONG**

1. Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;  
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, abide with me.

2. Thou on my head, in early youth didst smile;  
And, though rebellious, and perverse meanwhile,  
Thou hast not left me, though I oft left Thee,  
On to the close Lord, abide with me.

3. I need Thy presence every passing hour.  
What but Thy grace, can foil the tempter's power?  
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

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## **Before the Throne of God Above**

3. Behold Him there, the Risen Lamb!  
My perfect spotless Righteousness,  
The great unchangeable I Am,  
The King of Glory and of grace.  
One with Himself, I cannot die;  
My soul is purchased by His blood.  
My life is hid with Christ on high,  
With Christ my Savior and my God,  
With Christ my Savior and my God.  
One with Himself, I cannot die;  
My soul is purchased by His blood.  
My life is hid with Christ on high,  
With Christ my Savior and my God,  
With Christ my Savior and my God.

### **Abide With Me**

4. I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless  
Ills have no weight, tears lose their  
bitterness  
Where is thy sting death? Where grave thy  
victory?  
I triumph still, abide with me.

5. Hold Thou Thy cross, before my closing  
eyes;  
Shine through the gloom and point me to the  
skies.  
Heaven's morning breaks and earth's vain  
shadows flee;  
In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.  
In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.

**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.

**SERMON**

**“The Debt to Love”  
- Rev. Bryan Rigg**

**Romans 13:8-10****ROMANS 13:8-10**

<sup>8</sup> Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. <sup>9</sup> For the commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>10</sup> Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

**SERMON NOTES**

## CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER

## Come Ye Sinners

1. Come ye sinners, poor and needy  
Weak and wounded, sick and sore.  
Jesus ready stands to save you  
Full of pity, love, and power.
2. I will arise and go to Jesus;  
He will embrace me in His arms.  
In the arms of my dear Savior  
Oh, there are ten thousand charms.
3. Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome  
God's free bounty glorify,  
True belief and true repentance,  
Every grace that brings you nigh.
4. View Him prostrate in the garden;  
On the ground your Maker lies.  
On the bloody tree behold Him.  
Sinner, will this not suffice?
5. Lo! the incarnate God ascended  
Pleads the merit of His blood.  
Venture on Him, venture wholly;  
Let no other trust intrude.

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1. What can wash away my sin?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
What can make me whole again?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

### Chorus

O precious is the flow  
That makes me white as snow!  
No other fount I know,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

2. For my cleansing this I see:  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
For my pardon this my plea:  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
Chorus

### Nothing But the Blood

3. Nothing can for sin atone,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
Naught of good that I have done,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
Chorus

4. This is all my hope and peace,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
This is all my righteousness,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
Chorus 2X

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1. All sufficient merit shining like the sun.  
A fortune I inherit by no work I have done.  
My righteousness I forfeit at my Savior's cross  
Where all sufficient merit did what I could not.

2. In love He condescended eternal now in time.  
A life without a blemish the Maker made to die.  
The law could never save us our lawlessness had won  
Until the pure and spotless Lamb had finally come.

**Chorus**

It is done, it is finished,  
No more debt I owe.  
Paid in full all sufficient,  
Merit now my own.

3. I lay down my garments any empty boast.  
Good works now all corrupted by the sinful host.  
I'm dressed in my Lord Jesus, a crimson robe made white.  
No more fear of judgment His righteousness is mine.

Chorus

4. All sufficient merit firm in life and death.  
The joy of my salvation shall be my final breath.  
When I stand accepted before the throne of God,  
I'll gaze upon my Jesus and thank Him for the cross.  
Chorus x2

Your merit now my own  
Your merit now my own

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**DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host,  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

**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!**