

Ordinary Time August 27, 2023



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship Psalm 138

Leader—

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise;
I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.

Congregation—

On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul you increased. All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth,

Leader—

and they shall sing of the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord.

For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly, but the haughty he knows from afar.

Congregation—

Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you preserve my life;
you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies,
and your right hand delivers me.
The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me;
your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.
Do not forsake the work of your hands.

Opening Prayer

Song of Praise

Abide With Me

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide; the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.

Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

When other helpers fail and comforts flee,

I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless, ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.

Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away.

I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

Change and decay in all around I see. O thou who changest not, abide with me. Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes.

I need thy presence every passing hour. What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power? Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.

Who like thyself my guide and strength can be?

Heaven's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee; in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Personal Confession (in silence)

Corporate Confession of Sin

God of love and grace, We confess to you and to one another the many ways we fail to live the lives you want for us. We make ourselves busy with many things, and neglect to listen to your voice. All too often we see the worst in the world around us, and look past your signs of hope. We are quick to voice our dissent with one another, and refuse to see your face in those with whom we disagree. We focus on our own hurts, anger, and disappointments, and close our hearts to your transforming grace. O Holy Light of the world, forgive us. Open our eyes to your forgiveness, Give us courage to listen for your call to us, Take our hearts of stone, and make them new again with your holy love.

Assurance of the Gospel

Galatians 2.15-20

We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we too were found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! For if I rebuild what I tore down, I prove myself to be a transgressor. For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Song of the Gospel

It Is Well With My Soul

When peace like a river

And hath shed His own blood

Attendeth my way For my soul

When sorrows like sea billows roll

Whatever my lot My sin O the bliss

Thou hast taught me to say Of this glorious tho't

It is well My sin not in part but the whole

It is well with my soul Is nailed to the cross

And I bear it no more

Chorus— Praise the Lord

It is well with my soul Praise the Lord O my soul

It is well

It is well with my soul And Lord haste the day

When the faith shall be sight

Tho' Satan should buffet The clouds be rolled back as a scroll

Tho' trials should come The trump shall resound

Let this blest assurance control And the Lord shall descend

That Christ hath regarded Even so it is well

My helpless estate With my soul

Children ages 4 to 6 are dismissed to Children's Church

We love for the corporate worship gathering to be a family-friendly time, however, please feel free to either use overflow space in the office suite or check your children into the nursery/children's church if they are finding it difficult to sit through the service. Children's interactive bulletins are also

Scripture Lessons

Old Testament

Isaiah 51:1-6

(Page 611 in the Pew Bible)

I eader—

This is the word of the Lord

Congregation—

Thanks be to God

<u>Gospel</u>

Matthew 16:13-20

(Page 822 in the Pew Bible)

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Pastoral Prayer and 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 have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Sermon Passage

Judges 12

Page 212 in the Pew Bible

Sermon

"Tongue Twister for 42,000"

Song of Response

Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

Come behold the wondrous mystery
In the dawning of the King
He the theme of heaven's praises
Robed in frail humanity
In our longing in our darkness
Now the light of life has come
Look to Christ who condescended
Took on flesh to ransom us

Come behold the wondrous mystery
He the perfect Son of Man
In His living in His suffering
Never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam
Come to save the hell-bound man
Christ the great and sure fulfillment
Of the law in Him we stand

Come behold the wondrous mystery
Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners
Hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption
See the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory
Grace unmeasured love untold

Come behold the wondrous mystery
Slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain Him
Praise the Lord He is alive
What a foretaste of deliverance
How unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected
As we will be when He comes

The Lord's Supper

Please come forward, when you like, to share from the common bread, which signifies our oneness in Christ. It is also gluten free to enable as many to partake as feasible. Then take from the individual servings of wine or juice, which signifies our individual discipleship with Jesus. You may leave your cup at the table or take it back to your seat and drink it there.

Song of Communion

All I Have Is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night

You bore the wrath reserved for me

Yet thought I knew the way

Now all I know is grace

The sin that promised joy and life

Had led me to the grave Chorus—

I had no hope that You would own Hallelujah all I have is Christ

A rebel to Your will

Hallelujah Jesus is my life

And if You had not loved me first

I would refuse You still

Now Lord I would be Yours alone

And live so all might see

But as I ran my hell-bound race The strength to follow Your commands

Indifferent to the cost Could never come from me

You looked upon my helpless state O Father use my ransomed life

And led me to the cross In any way You choose

And I beheld God's love displayed

And let my song forever be

You suffered in my place My only boast is You

Benediction

Commissioning

Pastor—

Let us go into the world as children of God and servants of Christ to love and serve others.

Congregation— Thanks be to God!

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Praise him all creatures here below.

Praise him above ye, heavenly hosts.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen



Prayers

Greenville

We pray this week for **Greater Mt. Calvary Baptist**. Thank you for their brotherhood and love for you. Please help them to see you clearer and clearer everyday and to grow more and more in their love.

United States

Father we pray for those who currently find themselves **Homeless**. We pray that you would bring people along side them to pick them up and care them. Many in our Nation are struggling greatly we pray that you would bring the people into their life to help where they need it.

World

We pray this week for **Hezekiah and Malini**. Thank you for their heart and effort in a foreign land. Please strengthen them and embolden them as they share your gospel.

Announcements

Church Retreat | Oct. 21

Membership Class | September 29-30, 5:30-8:30pm & 8:30-11:30

Youth Night | Tonight in Youth Loft

Fourth Sunday Service | Tonight in Saint Anthony

English Club | Tuesday Nights, 6-8p

Freedom That Lasts | beginning in September contact Ben Marshall (BMarshall@FreedomThatLasts.com)



We are united by our Core Values

Community | Discipleship Liturgy | Mercy + Mission | Simplicity

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