



**April 14<sup>th</sup> 2024**

## **Liturgy**

### **Call to Worship**

**God gathers his people to care for them and receive their worship.**

Ephesians 5:18–21 - Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

### **Psalm 145**

I will bless You all of my days, Lord  
I will praise You always,  
my God and King  
I will bless and honor  
Your name, Lord  
Always and forever,  
my soul will sing

Such a vast,  
unsearchable greatness  
Great is Yahweh,  
worthy of all our praise  
Let Your people sound  
through the ages  
All Your awesome works  
'til the end of days

We have seen Your splendor  
and glory  
We have seen Your wonders  
and stand amazed  
Every tongue will echo Your story  
Everyone will sing  
of Your righteous ways

O let all that lives  
ever bless His name!

All that You have made, Lord,  
will praise You  
All Your saints  
will worship in joyful strain

Praise the Lord,  
who ransoms and rescues  
Praise the God of glory,  
who ever reigns

He is holy, judging the wicked  
Guarding those that love Him  
and fear His name  
All that call out,  
Yahweh is with them  
He will hear their cries,  
He is strong to save

He upholds the one  
who is stumbling,  
Lifting up those burdened  
with heavy loads;  
Opening His hand  
to the hungry,  
Blessing all that look  
to their Lord and hope!  
He is tender toward His creation;  
He is faithful,  
gracious in all He does!  
Great is Yahweh, full of  
compassion,  
Slow to anger, filled with  
unfailing love!

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## **The Law of God**

**God requires righteousness of all people.**

Philippians 4:8–9 - Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things.

## **Confession of Sin**

**God's people acknowledge their sin before Him.**

**Lord Jesus, we have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief, and of neglect to seek you in our daily lives. Our sins and shortcomings present us with a list of accusations, but we thank you that they will not stand against us, for all have been laid on Christ. Deliver us from every evil habit, every interest of former sins, everything that dims the brightness of your grace in us, everything that prevents us taking delight in you. Amen.**

## **Assurance of Pardon**

**God shows his people mercy and grace in Jesus Christ**

<sup>6</sup> “Seek the LORD while he may be found;  
call upon him while he is near;  
<sup>7</sup> let the wicked forsake his way,  
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;  
let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on  
him,  
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

## Not In Me

No list of sins I have not done,  
No list of virtues I pursue,  
No list of those I am not like  
Can earn myself a place with You.  
O God, be merciful to me—  
I am a sinner through and  
through!  
My only hope of righteousness  
Is not in me, but only You.

No humble dress, no fervent  
prayer,  
No lifted hands, no tearful song,  
No recitation of the truth  
Can justify a single wrong.  
My righteousness is Jesus' life, m  
My debt was paid by Jesus' death,  
My weary load was borne by Him  
And He alone can give me rest.

No separation from the world,  
No work I do, no gift I give  
Can cleanse my conscience,  
cleanse my hands;  
I cannot cause my soul to live.  
But Jesus died and rose again—  
The power of death is  
overthrown!  
My God is merciful to me  
And merciful in Christ alone.

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My debt was paid by Jesus'  
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My weary load was borne by Him  
And He alone can give me rest.

## Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me

What gift of grace  
is Jesus my redeemer;  
There is no more for heaven  
now to give.  
He is my joy, my righteousness,  
and freedom;  
My steadfast love,  
my deep and boundless peace.  
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus,  
For my life is wholly bound to his;  
Oh how strange and divine,  
I can sing: all is mine!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in  
me.

The night is dark,  
but I am not forsaken;  
For by my side, the Savior  
He will stay.  
I labour on in weakness and  
rejoicing,  
For in my need, His power is  
displayed.

To this I hold, my Shepherd  
will defend me,  
Through the deepest valley  
He will lead.  
Oh the night has been won,  
and I shall overcome!  
Yet not I, but through Christ  
in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am  
forgiven.  
The future sure, the price  
it has been paid;  
For Jesus bled and  
suffered for my pardon,  
And He was raised to  
overthrow the grave

To this I hold, my sin  
has been defeated;  
Jesus now and ever is my plea.  
Oh the chains are released,  
I can sing: I am free!  
Yet not I, but through Christ  
in me.

With every breath I long  
to follow Jesus,  
For He has said that  
He will bring me home.  
And day by day, I know  
He will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the  
throne

To this I hold, my hope  
is only Jesus;  
All the glory evermore to Him.  
When the race is complete,  
still my lips shall repeat:  
Yet not I, but through Christ  
in me!

## **Prayer**

**After the Pastor leads us in prayer for our church and community, pray together as Jesus taught us:**

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our debts,  
as we also have forgiven our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.  
Amen.

## **Sermon - Matthew 10:16-25**

**God proclaims His word to His people.**

## **Nicene Creed**

**God's people confess the faith once for all delivered to the saints.**

We believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, begotten from the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made; of the same essence as the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and was made human. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried. The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. His kingdom will never end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life. He proceeds from the Father and the Son, and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He spoke through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic\* and apostolic church. We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and to life in the world to come. Amen.

## **Behold the Lamb**

Behold the Lamb who bears  
our sins away,  
slain for us – and we remember  
The promise made that all  
who come in faith  
find forgiveness at the cross.  
So we share in this bread of life,  
and we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of peace  
around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior  
Jesus Christ,  
torn for you – eat and remember  
The wounds that heal, the death  
that brings us life  
paid the price to make us one.  
So we share in this bread of life,  
and we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of love  
around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses  
every stain of sin,  
shed for you – drink  
and remember  
He drained death's cup that all  
may enter in  
to receive the life of God.  
So we share in this bread of life,  
and we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of grace  
around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness  
and faith we rise  
to respond, – and to remember  
Our call to follow in the steps  
of Christ  
as His body here on earth.  
As we share in His suffering,  
we proclaim Christ will come again!  
And we'll join in the feast  
of heaven  
Around the table of the King.

## **The Lord's Supper**

**God gives his people the sign of their New Covenant union with Christ.**

## **Doxology**

**God's people praise Him in light of all they have received.**

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

## **Benediction**

**God sends His people out with His blessing.**

Numbers 6:24–26

<sup>24</sup> The LORD bless you and keep you;

<sup>25</sup> the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;

<sup>26</sup> the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.