

Welcome to Worship

Sharing life in Christ with each other and our neighbors

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Prelude

Gather Us In (#529)

Here in this place the new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,
gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young, our lives are a mystery,
we are the old who yearn for your face;
we have been sung throughout all of history,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,
gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water,
here we will take the bread of new birth,
here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away—
here in this place the new light is shining,
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever,
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in, all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

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Welcome & Announcements

Focus

In today's passage, Jesus is teaching us about the heart of worship. Worship is not about this building or even our rituals, but it's about our relationship to God and to each other. In the passage we also find the promise of what is to come in Jesus' own resurrection and the predicted destruction of the Jerusalem temple.

Confession

(Reading Together)

Jesus, look deep within our hearts and our lives
and clear away all that holds us back.
May our minds, spirits and bodies
be a Temple that is open to Your presence,
and may our words and our actions
be transparent to Your love and truth.
We pray that this church community,
will be purified in its life and mission,
so that all that we do may reveal Your Gospel to others.
We seek Your cleansing and healing
so that we may be more faithful disciples.

Assurance of Pardon

Friends of Jesus, we are made clean
by the words he has spoken to us.
There is room in our lives and in our community
for the Holy One to dwell.

Thanks be to God.

We Greet Each Other

Scripture Reading: John 2:13-22

Be Still, for the Presence (#532)

Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here.
Come, bow before him now,
with reverence and fear.
In him no sin is found;
we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.
He burns with holy fire;
with splendor he is crowned.
How awesome is the sight,
our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.
He comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister his grace.
No work too hard for him;
in faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

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Here I Am to Worship (#567)

Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness,
opened my eyes, let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore you,
hope of a life spent with you.
Here I am to worship; here I am to bow down;
here I am to say that you're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, oh so highly exalted,
glorious in heaven above.
Humbly you came to the earth you created,
all for love's sake became poor.
Here I am to worship; here I am to bow down;
here I am to say that you're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
altogether wonderful to me.

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To God Be the Glory (#604)

To God be the glory, great things He has done!
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the lifegate that all may go in.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory - great things He has done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
To every believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory - great things He has done!

Great things He has taught us, great things He has done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory - great things He has done!

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Children's Message

Lord, Be Glorified

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified,
In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

In our church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified,
In our Church, Lord, be glorified today.

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Presenting Our Gifts to God & Congregational Prayer

Message: "Wrecking Shop"

Pastor Jonathan Owens

The Lord's Supper

Litany:

Pastor: In the Lord's Supper, Christ offers his own crucified body and shed blood to his people, assuring them a share in his death and resurrection. By the Holy Spirit, he feeds us with his resurrection life and binds us to each other as we share one loaf and cup.

People: We receive this food gladly, believing, as we eat, that Jesus is our life-giving food and drink and that he will come again to call us to the wedding feast of the Lamb.

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended to heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Parting Blessing

My Friends, May You Grow in Grace (#938)

My friends, may you grow in grace
and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior.

My friends, may you grow in grace
and in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

To God be the glory, now and forever,
now and forever, amen.

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