

ORDER OF WORSHIP JUNE 2ND, 2024

Call to Worship: Psalm 9:1-2, 7, 9

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;
I will recount all of Your wonderful deeds.
We will be glad and exult in You;
we will sing praise to Your name, O Most High.
But the Lord sits enthroned forever;
He has established His throne for justice,
The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed,

a stronghold in times of trouble.

Invocation

Psalm 144B: O Blest Be the Lord God

O blest be the LORD God, my rock and my might; he trains me for battle, my hands for the fight. My fortress, deliv'rer, my refuge and shield, he brings down my foes and beneath me they yield.

O LORD, what is man that you recognize him, the son of man that you are mindful of him? For man is but vapor, his brief earthly days are just like a shadow which passes away.

Bend low your arched heavens, come, LORD, from on high, and touch the great mountains, let smoke from them fly; flash forth your fierce lightnings and scatter the foe, send out your sharp arrows and rout them in woe.

O LORD, stretch your hand from the heavens above; deliver and save me from strangers and floods, their tongues speak so falsely and truth they despise, their right hand they hold forth to swear to their lies.

A new song to you, O my God, I will sing, and offer my praise on a harp of ten strings; you give kings their triumph; your hand has, O LORD, kept David, your servant, from hurt by the sword.

O LORD, set me free and deliverance send, and rescue me now from the foreigner's hand. Their mouths utter lies, and with pretense they speak; their right hand of falsehood they raise in deceit. *(continued next page)* Our sons be like plants that are full grown in youth, our daughters like pillars for palaces hewn Our grain bins be filled, as our crops give their yield; our flocks by the thousands increase in the field.

Our cattle be heavy with young in the womb, and give birth to offspring, escaping all doom. No cries of distress from the people be heard. How blessed the people whose God is the LORD!

Confession of Sin Merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In Your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the Good News!
God shows his love for us in that
while we were still sinners,
Christ died for us.
Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood,
much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.
For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son,
much more, now that we are reconciled,
shall we be saved by his life.
More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ,
through whom we have now received reconciliation.
Know that in Jesus,
God embraces you, forgives you,
And strengthens you to live a renewed life.

(from Romans 5:8-11)

The Nicene Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds:

God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made:

Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,

and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

- He suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father.
- And he shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, The Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic¹ and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen. ¹"Catholic" means universal; that is, there is one church across all times, places, and peoples.

Song: Christ Is Mine Forevermore

Mine are days that God has numbered, I was made to walk with Him. Yet I look for worldly treasure and forsake the King of kings. But mine is hope in my Redeemer, though I fall, his love is sure. For Christ has paid for every failing, I am His forevermore.

Mine are tears in times of sorrow, darkness not yet understood. Through the valley I must travel where I see no earthly good. But mine is peace that flows from heaven and the strength in times of need. I know my pain will not be wasted, Christ completes his work in me.

Mine are days here as a stranger, pilgrim on a narrow way. One with Christ I will encounter harm and hatred for his name. But mine is armor for this battle strong enough to last the war. And he has said he will deliver safely to the golden shore.

And mine are keys to Zion city where beside the King I walk. For there my heart has found its treasure: Christ is mine forevermore.

Bridge (Repeat x3)

Come rejoice now, O my soul! For his love is my reward. Fear is gone and hope is sure, Christ is mine forevermore!

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Scripture Reading: Exodus 8:1-19

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn 283: Fairest Lord Jesus

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, Son of God and Son of Man! Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, and all the twinkling, starry host: Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels heav'n can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine.

Song: Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul

Dear refuge of my weary soul, on Thee, when sorrows rise, On Thee, when waves of trouble roll, my fainting hope relies. To Thee I tell each rising grief, for Thou alone can heal; Thy Word can bring a sweet relief for every pain I feel.

But oh! When gloomy doubts prevail, I fear to call Thee mine; The springs of comfort seem to fail, and all my hopes decline. Yet gracious God, where shall I flee? Thou art my only trust; And still my soul would cleave to Thee, though prostrate in the dust.

Hast Thou not bid me seek Thy face, and shall I seek in vain? And can the ear of sov'reign grace be deaf when I complain? No, still the ear of sov'reign grace attends the mourner's prayer; O may I ever find access to breathe my sorrows there.

Thy mercy seat is open still, here let my soul retreat; With humble hope attend Thy will, and wait beneath Thy feet. Thy mercy seat is open still, here let my soul retreat; With humble hope attend Thy will, and wait beneath Thy feet. Words: Anne Steele (1716-1778) Music: Matt Merker © 2014 Matthew Merker Music (BMI) / Sovereign Grace Praise (BMI). CCLI License # 2522384

Scripture Reading: 2 Samuel 7

Sermon: The Lord Builds David's House

Lord's Supper

Song: Gloria Patri

Benediction

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