



# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## AUGUST 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2024

### **Call to Worship: Psalm 59:5, 9-11, 16-17**

You, Lord God of hosts, are God of Israel.

O my Strength, I will watch for You,  
for You, O God, are my fortress.

### **Our God, in His steadfast love, will meet us!**

I will sing of Your strength;

I will sing aloud of Your steadfast love.

### **For You have been to us a fortress**

**and a refuge in the day of our distress.**

O my Strength, I will sing praises to you,  
for you, O God, are my fortress,

### **Our God who shows us steadfast love.**

### **Invocation**

### **Song: All Creatures of Our God and King**

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing!

O praise Him! Alleluia!

Thou, burning sun with golden beam, thou, silver moon with softer gleam,

O praise Him! O praise Him!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless and worship Him in humbleness!

O praise Him! Alleluia!

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son and praise the Spirit, Three-in-One.

O praise Him! O praise Him!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All the redeemed washed by His blood, come and rejoice in His great love!

O praise Him! Alleluia!

Christ has defeated every sin, cast all your burdens now on Him.

O praise Him! O praise Him!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

He shall return in pow'r to reign, heaven and earth will join to say:

O praise Him! Alleluia!

Then who shall fall on bended knee? All creatures of our God and King.

O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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**Psalm 115A: Not to Us LORD, Not to Us**

Not to us, LORD, not to us, to your name be all the praise,  
for your cov'nant faithfulness, for your steadfast love and grace.  
Why should all the nations say, "Where now is their God of might?"  
He will do what he desires. In the heav'ns our God resides.

Heathen gods are silver, gold, works of human artistry.  
They have mouths but do not speak, they have eyes, but do not see.  
They have ears, but do not hear; noses, but no scent have found;  
helpless hands and useless feet, throats that utter not a sound.

Those who make and trust in them soon grow like the gods they mold.  
House of Isr'el trust the LORD for he is their help and shield.  
House of Aaron, trust the LORD, for he is their help and shield.  
You who fear him, trust the LORD, for he is their help and shield.

God the LORD remembers us, and his people he will bless.  
He will bless all Isr'el's house, he will bless all Aaron's house.  
Those who fear him, great and small, he with blessings will reward.  
May you and your children grow; May the Lord increase you more.

Blessed are you by God the LORD, maker of the earth and heaven!  
Highest heavens belong to him, but to man the earth was given.  
Though the dead to silence go, though the dead praise not the LORD,  
we will henceforth bless the Lord. Praise the LORD forevermore.

**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!

Who is a God like You, pardoning iniquity  
and passing over the transgression  
of Your possession?

He does not retain His anger forever,  
because He delights in showing mercy.

He will again have compassion on us;

He will tread our iniquities under foot.

You will cast all our sins  
into the depths of the sea.

You will show faithfulness to Jacob  
and unswerving loyalty to Abraham,  
as You have sworn to our ancestors  
from the days of old.

Know that in Jesus,  
God embraces you, forgives you,  
and strengthens you to live a renewed life.

**Thanks be to God!**

*(from Micah 7:18-20)*

## **Song: Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor**

Christ the sure and steady Anchor, in the fury of the storm,  
When the winds of doubt blow through me, and my sails have all been torn,  
In the suffering, in the sorrow, when my sinking hopes are few,  
I will hold fast to the Anchor, it shall never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady Anchor, while the tempest rages on,  
When temptation claims the battle, and it seems the night has won,  
Deeper still then goes the Anchor, though I justly stand accused,  
I will hold fast to the Anchor, it shall never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady Anchor, through the floods of unbelief,  
Hopeless somehow, oh my soul, now, lift your eyes to Calvary.  
This my ballast of assurance, see his love forever proved,  
I will hold fast to the Anchor, it shall never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady Anchor, as we face the wave of death,  
When these trials give way to glory, as we draw our final breath.  
We will cross that great horizon, clouds behind and life secure.  
And the calm will be the better, for the storms that we endure.

Christ the shore of our salvation, ever faithful, ever true,  
We will hold fast to the Anchor, it shall never be removed.

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**Hymn 431: And Can It Be, That I Should Gain?**

And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Savior's blood?  
Died he for me, who caused his pain? For me, who him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

**Refrain:**

*Amazing love! How can it be  
that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?*

'Tis myst'ry all! Th'Immortal dies: who can explore his strange design?  
In vain the firstborn seraph tries to sound the depths of love divine.  
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore, let angel minds inquire no more.

*Refrain*

He left his Father's throne above (so free, so infinite his grace!),  
humbled himself (so great his love!) and bled for all his chosen race!  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free, for, O my God, it found out me!

*Refrain*

Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night;  
thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;  
my chains fell off, my heart was free; I rose, went forth, and followed thee.

*Refrain*

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine!  
Alive in him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,  
bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ, my own.

***Refrain***

**Scripture Reading: Exodus 16:22-26**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Hymn 406: Jesus with Thy Church Abide**

Jesus, with thy church abide be her Savior, Lord, and Guide,  
while on earth her faith is tried: we beseech thee, hear us.

Keep her life and doctrine pure; grant her patience to endure,  
trusting in thy promise sure: we beseech thee, hear us.

May she one in doctrine be, one in truth and charity,  
winning all to faith in thee: we beseech thee, hear us.

May she guide the poor and blind, seek the lost until she find,  
and the broken-hearted bind: we beseech thee, hear us.

Judge her not for work undone, judge her not for fields unwon,  
bless her work in thee begun: we beseech thee, hear us.

Save her love from growing cold, make her watchmen strong and bold,  
fence her round, thy peaceful fold: we beseech thee, hear us.

May her lamp of truth be bright, bid her bear aloft its light  
through the realms of heathen night: we beseech thee, hear us.

Arm her soldiers with the cross, brave to suffer toil or loss,  
counting earthly gain but dross: we beseech thee, hear us.

May she holy triumphs win, overthrow the hosts of sin,  
gather all the nations in: we beseech thee, hear us.

**Scripture Reading: Romans 8:12-17****Sermon: Assurance for the Children of God****Lord's Supper****Song: Doxology****Benediction**