

Heavenly Father, because of Your grace, Your mercy and Your goodness, we opened our eyes this morning. You have given us strength and mobility to gather in this place. Father, You have put breath in our lungs to sing praise unto Your name. Lord, You have provided us with this facility that we might have fellowship with Your people, and sit under the teaching of Your Word. God, You have filled us with Your Holy Spirit that we may understand your Word and respond in obedience.

Lord, Jesus, search our hearts and see if there be any wicked way in us. As we confess our sin before You, we are thankful for Your promise to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Glorious Savior, help us now as we fasten our gaze upon You, forgetting the cares and concerns of the world. You are worthy of our undivided attention and to You belong all praise and honor and glory and dominion, both now and forevermore. Receive our praise with thanksgiving as we worship You in Spirit and truth, for it is in the name of Jesus, the Way, the Truth and the Life, that we pray.

Amen



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