

Ordinary Time November 19, 2023, 10:30a



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship Psalm 90

Leader— Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

Congregation—You return man to dust and say, "Return, O children of man!" For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or as a watch in the night. You sweep them away as with a flood; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning: in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers. For we are brought to an end by your anger; by your wrath we are dismayed. You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence.

Leader—For all our days pass away under your wrath; we bring our years to an end like a sigh. The years of our life are seventy, or even by reason of strength eighty; yet their span is but toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away. Who considers the power of your anger, and your wrath according to the fear of you?

Congregation—So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.

Leader—Return, O Lord! How long? Have pity on your servants!

Congregation—Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us, and for as many years as we have seen evil. Let your work be shown to your servants, and your glorious power to their children. Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands upon us; yes, establish the work of our hands!

Opening Prayer

Song of Praise, All Glory Be to Christ

Should nothing of our efforts stand
No legacy survive
Unless the Lord does raise the house
In vain its builders strive
To you who boast tomorrow's gain
Tell me what is your life
A mist that vanishes at dawn
All glory be to Christ

Chorus

All glory be to Christ our king All glory be to Christ His rule and reign we'll ever sing All glory be to Christ His will be done His kingdom come
On earth as is above
Who is Himself our daily bread
Praise Him the Lord of love
Let living water satisfy
The thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet
All glory be to Christ

When on the day the great I Am
The faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain
Is making all things new
Behold our God shall live with us
And be our steadfast light
And we shall e'er his people be
All glory be to Christ

Galatians 5:22-26

Personal Confession of Sin (in silence)

Corporate Confession of Sin

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 from taking delight in you. Amen.

Assurance of the Gospel

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

Song of the Gospel, For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies.

Chorus—Christ, our Lord, to you we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light, For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild,

For yourself, best gift divine, to the world so freely given, agent of God's grand design: peace on earth and joy in heaven.

Scripture Lessons

Old Testament, Zephaniah 1:7,12-18 (Page 788 in the Pew Bible)
Leader—This is the word of the Lord
Congregation—Thanks be to God

Gospel, Matthew 25:14-30 (Page 830 in the Pew Bible) Leader—This is the word of the Lord Congregation—Thanks be to God

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

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

Sermon Passage

Ruth 3 Page 223 in the Pew Bible

Sermon

"Redeeming Righteousness" Pastor Matt Wireman

Song of Response, On Jordan's Stormy Banks

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand And cast a wishful eye To Canaan's fair and happy land Where my possessions lie

Chorus—

I am bound I am bound
I am bound for the promised land
I am bound I am bound
I am bound for the promised land

All o'er those wide extended plains Shines one eternal day There God the Son forever reigns And scatters night away

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath Can reach that healthful shore Sickness sorrow pain and death Are felt and feared no more

When shall I see that happy place And be forever blessed When shall I see my Father's face And in His bosom rest

The Lord's Supper

Please come forward, when you like, to share from the common bread, which signifies our oneness in Christ. It is also gluten free to enable as many to partake as feasible. Then take from the individual servings of wine or juice, which signifies our individual discipleship with Jesus. You may leave your cup at the table or take it back to your seat and drink it there.

Song of Communion, Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in His hands Who has numbered every grain of sand Kings and nations tremble at His voice All creation rises to rejoice

Chorus—

Behold our God seated on His throne Come let us adore Him Behold our King nothing can compare Come let us adore Him Who has given counsel to the Lord Who can question any of His words Who can teach the One who knows all things Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds

Who has felt the nails upon His hands Bearing all the guilt of sinful man God eternal humbled to the grave Jesus Savior risen now to reign

Bridge—You will reign forever (Let Your glory fill the earth) X8

Benediction

Commissioning

Pastor— Let us go into the world as children of God and servants of Christ to love and serve others.

Congregation—Thanks be to God!

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Praise him all creatures here below.

Praise him above ye, heavenly hosts.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Prayers

Greenville

We pray this week for **The Piedmont Woman's Center.** We ask that you will help them as they help others. Encourage them as they spend their days encouraging and caring for the women in our area. Thank you so much for all that they do.

United States

God, we cry out to you on behalf of all **orphans**. Enable our communities across the nation to care for the innocent lives who have had to experience tragedy at such an early age. Let us love them as you loved us in our orphaned state.

World

We pray this week for **Eric and His Family** as they serve in the **Middle East**. Please bless their ministry and keep them safe. Please help them when they become burnt out or tired to have newfound energy to serve you.

Announcements

English Club | Tuesday Nights, 6-8p

Fourth Sunday Service | Nov 26, 5-7p

Youth Nite | Nov 26, 5-7p

Fellowship Meal | Dec 10th, after service

Joint Worship Service w/Tabernacle Baptist | Dec 17th

Freedom That Lasts | Starting soon. For more info, contact Ben Marshall (BMarshall@FreedomThatLasts.com)

Note: Children are a blessing from the Lord but may have trouble sitting through an entire service. Parents who would like to tend to their children may utilize the Augustine Library in the lower level.



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Community | Discipleship | Liturgy | Mercy + Mission | Simplicity

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