



# CHRIST *the* REDEEMER

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## Call to Worship

Psalm 84

Leader—How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts! My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

**Congregation—Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise!**

Leader—Blessed are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion. As they go through the Valley of Baca they make it a place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools. They go from strength to strength; each one appears before God in Zion.

**Congregation—O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob! Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of your anointed! For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.**

Leader—I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

**Congregation— For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor. No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly. O Lord of hosts, blessed is the one who trusts in you!**

## Opening Prayer

## **Song of Praise, Christ Be Magnified**

Were creation suddenly articulate  
With a thousand tongues to lift one cry  
Then from north to south and east to west  
We'd hear Christ be magnified

Were the whole earth echoing His eminence  
His name would burst from sea and sky  
From rivers to the mountain tops  
We'd hear Christ be magnified

### **Chorus—**

O Christ be magnified  
Let His praise arise  
Christ be magnified in me  
O Christ be magnified  
From the altar of my life  
Christ be magnified in me

When ev'ry creature finds its inmost melody  
And ev'ry human heart its native cry  
O then in one enraptured hymn of praise  
We'll sing Christ be magnified

## **Personal Confession of Sin (in silence)**

### **Corporate Confession of Sin**

We confess that we are sinful creatures who often choose to dwell in the darkness instead of live in your light. We repent of our entrenched evil that hates the light and tries to dispose of it. We admit our apathy towards sanctification and renewal that causes us to continue to live in the night. Trusting your grace, we earnestly pray: "Create in us a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within us." Through Christ Jesus our living Savior and our Light. Amen.

### **Bridge—**

I won't bow to idols  
I'll stand strong and worship You  
And if it puts me in the fire  
I'll rejoice 'cause You're there too

I won't be formed by feelings  
I hold fast to what is true  
If the cross brings transformation  
Then I'll be crucified with You  
(You can hang me there with You)

### **Bridge—**

'Cause death is just the doorway  
Into resurrection life  
If I join You in Your suff'rings  
Then I'll join You when You rise

And when You return in glory  
With all the angels and the saints  
My heart will still be singing  
My song will be the same

## Assurance of the Gospel

Romans 12:1-3

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned.

## Song of the Gospel, Come Ye Sinners

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy  
Weak and wounded, sick and sore  
Jesus ready, stands to save you  
Full of pity, love and power

Come, ye weary, heavy-laden  
Lost and ruined by the fall  
If you tarry 'til you're better  
You will never come at all

### Chorus

I will arise and go to Jesus  
He will embrace me in His arms  
In the arms of my dear Savior  
Oh, there are ten thousand charms

Feel Him prostrate in the garden  
On the ground your Maker lies  
On the bloody tree, behold him  
Sinner, will this not suffice?

Come, ye thirsty, come and welcome  
God's free bounty glorify  
True belief and true repentance  
Every grace that brings you nigh

Lo, the incarnate God ascended  
Pleads the merit of his blood  
Venture on him, venture wholly  
Let no other trust intrude

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## Children ages 4 to 6 are dismissed to Children's Church

*We love for the corporate worship gathering to be a family-friendly time, however, please feel free to either use overflow space in the office suite or check your children into the nursery/children's church if they are finding it difficult to sit through the service. Children's interactive bulletins are also available in the foyer.*

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## Scripture Lessons

Old Testament, Jeremiah 31:7-14

(Page 658 in the Pew Bible)

Leader—This is the word of the Lord

**Congregation—Thanks be to God**

Gospel, Mark 1:4-11

(Page 836 in the Pew Bible)

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## 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**, "The King's Subjects: Our Inheritance"

Pastor Matthew Wireman

Ephesians 1:3-14 (Page 976 in the Pew Bible)

## Song of Response, O the Deep Deep Love of Jesus

O the deep deep love of Jesus

Vast unmeasured boundless free

Rolling as a mighty ocean

In its fullness over me

Underneath me all around me

Is the current of Thy love

Leading onward leading homeward

To my glorious rest above

O the deep deep love of Jesus

Spread His praise from shore to shore

How He loveth ever loveth

Changeth never nevermore

How He watches o'er His loved ones

Died to call them all His own

How for them He intercedeth

Watches over them from the throne

O the deep deep love of Jesus

Love of every love the best

'Tis an ocean vast of blessing

'Tis a haven sweet of rest

O the deep deep love of Jesus

'Tis a heaven of heavens to me

And it lifts me up to glory

For it lifts me up to Thee

## Redeemer Statement of Faith—

We believe that the Bible is the Word of God, fully inspired and without error in the original manuscripts, written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and that it has supreme authority in all matters of faith and conduct.

We believe that there is one living and true God, eternally existing in three Persons; that these Persons are equal in every divine perfection, and that they execute distinct, but harmonious, offices in the work of creation, providence, and redemption.

We believe in God the Father, an infinite, personal spirit, perfect in holiness, wisdom, power, and love. We believe that He infallibly foreknows all that shall come to pass, that He concerns Himself mercifully in the affairs of men, that He hears and answers prayer, and that He saves from sin and death all who come to Him through Jesus Christ.

We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only begotten Son, conceived by the Holy Spirit. We believe in His virgin birth, sinless life, miracles, and teachings. We believe in His substitutionary atoning death, bodily resurrection, ascension into heaven, perpetual intercession for His people, and personal visible return to earth.

We believe in the Holy Spirit who came forth from the Father and Son to convict the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment, and to regenerate, sanctify, and empower all who believe in Jesus Christ. We believe that the Holy Spirit indwells every believer in Christ, and that He is an abiding helper, teacher, and guide.

## **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, Power of the Cross**

Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day  
Christ on the road to Calvary  
Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then  
Nailed to a cross of wood

Now the daylight flees  
Now the ground beneath  
Quakes as its Maker bows His head  
Curtain torn in two dead are raised to life  
Finished the vict'ry cry

### **Chorus—**

This the pow'r of the cross  
Christ became sin for us  
Took the blame bore the wrath  
We stand forgiven at the cross

Oh to see my name written in the wounds  
For through Your suff'ring I am free  
Death is crushed to death life is mine to live  
Won through Your selfless love

Oh to see the pain written on Your face  
Bearing the awesome weight of sin  
Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed  
Crowning Your bloodstained brow

### **Final Chorus—**

This the pow'r of the cross  
Son of God slain for us  
What a love what a cost  
We stand forgiven at the cross

## **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 **Greater Mt. Calvary Baptist**. Thank you for their brotherhood and love for you. Please help them to see you clearer and clearer everyday and to grow more and more in their love.

### **United States**

Father we pray for those who currently find themselves **homeless**. We pray that you would bring people along side them to pick them up and care them. Many in our nation are struggling greatly we pray that you would bring the people into their life to help where they need it.

### **World**

We pray this week for **the wars throughout the world to cease**. We pray for **Ukraine** and **Israel**. We ask that justice be done and peace be established.

## **Announcements**

**English Club** | Tuesday Nights, 6-8p

**Women's Tea** | Jan 13th, 10:30a-12p

**Discipleship Class** | Resumes January 14, 9a

**Members Meeting** | January 21st after the service

**Fourth Sunday Service & Youth Nite** | Jan 28, 5-6:30p

**Deacons & Directors Meeting** | Feb 10, 8:30-11:30a

**Fellowship Meal** | Feb 11, after the service

**Yard Sale and Cook Out** | Sat, Apr 27 - please drop off items by Sun, Apr 7

**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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**We are united by our Core Values**

Community | Discipleship | Liturgy | Mercy + Mission | Simplicity

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