

New Hope Reformed Church Order For Worship: A Litany Service The Lord's Day, April 2, 2022

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Song 1: "I Will Sing of My Redeemer"

I will sing of my Redeemer
And His wonderful love to me.
the cru-el cross He suffered
From the curse to set me free.
Sing, O sing, of my Redeemer
With His blood He purchased me;
On the cross He sealed my pardon,
Paid the debt and made me free.

I will tell the wondrous story,
How my lost estate to save,
In his boundless love and mercy,
He the ransom freely gave.
Sing, O sing, of my Redeemer
With His blood He purchased me;
On the cross He sealed my pardon,
Paid the debt and made me free.

I will praise my dear Redeemer,
His triumphant power I'll tell:
How the vic-to-ry he gives me
Over sin and death and hell.
Sing, O sing, of my Redeemer
With His blood He purchased me;
On the cross He sealed my pardon,
Paid the debt and made me free.

I will sing of my Redeemer
And his heavenly love for me;
He from death to life has brought me,
Son of God, with him to be.
Sing, O sing, of my Redeemer
With His blood He purchased me;
On the cross He sealed my pardon,
Paid the debt and made me free.

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Scripture Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 4

Sermon

Catechism Recitation

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Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed, [tune](#)

I believe in God the Father,
Maker of all heav'n and earth,
And in Jesus Christ our Savior,
God's own Son of matchless worth;
By the Spirit was conceived,
Of the virgin Mary born,
He in whom I have believed,
God Almighty, Three In One.

Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Crucified for me He died;
Laid within the grave so silent,
Gates of hell He opened wide.
For the stone-sealed tomb was empty;
On the third day He arose;
Into heaven made His entry,
Mighty conq'or of His foes.

At God's right hand He is seated
Till His coming as He said;
Final judgment will be meted
To the living and the dead.
I confess the Holy Spirit
Who was sent through Christ the Son
To apply salvation's merit
God the Spirit Three in One.

I believe the church of Jesus
Universal e'er remains.
We are one through all the ages
In communion of the saints.
I believe sins are forgiven,
That our bodies will be raised
To eternal life in heaven:
Ever let His name be praised.

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The Litany

The Lord be with you,
and with your spirit.

Let us pray together:

O God the Father, Creator and Ruler of heaven and earth, have mercy on us miserable sinners. O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy on us miserable sinners. O God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of the faithful, have mercy on us miserable sinners. O Holy, Blessed and Glorious Trinity, Three Persons, One God, have mercy on us miserable offenders.

O Lord, do not remember or hold against us our offenses, nor the offenses of our fathers. Do not take vengeance for our sins. Spare us, good LORD. Spare Your people, the ones you have redeemed with Your most precious blood, and do not be angry with us forever,
spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief, from sin, from the craftiness and assaults of the devil, from Your wrath, and from everlasting damnation,
good Lord, deliver us.

From all blindness of heart, from pride, vanity, and hypocrisy, from envy, hatred, and malice, and all lack of charity,
good Lord, deliver us.

From all excessive and sinful affections, and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,
good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest, from earthquake, fire, and flood, from plague, pestilence, and famine, from battle and murder, and from sudden death,
good Lord, deliver us.

From all subversion, manipulation, and rebellion, from all false doctrine, heresy, and schism, from the hardness of heart, and contempt of Your Word and commandment,
good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of Your holy Incarnation, by Your Holy Nativity and Circumcision, by Your Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,
good Lord, deliver us.

By Your Agony and Bloody Sweat, by Your Cross and Passion, by Your Precious Death and Burial, by Your Glorious Resurrection and Ascension, and by the coming of the Holy Spirit,
good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation, in all time of our prosperity, in the hour of death, and in the Day of Judgment,
good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners do plead for You to hear us, O LORD God. May it please You to rule and govern Your holy Church Universal, leading it in Your righteous way, and to bless and keep all Your people.
We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

May it please You to give us a heart to love and fear You, and diligently to live after Your commandments.

We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

May it please You to illuminate all Ministers of the Gospel with true knowledge and understanding of Your Word, and that both by their teaching and living they may set it forth, and show it accordingly.

We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

May it please You to send forth laborers into Your harvest.

We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

May it please You to give to all Your people an increased measure of grace, so we can meekly hear Your Word, receive it with pure affection, and bring forth the fruits of the Spirit.

We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

We pray that it may please You to guard and keep Your servant, the President of the United States, and to govern him that in all his doings so he may please You and glorify Your Holy Name.

We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

May it please You to bless and preserve all Christian rulers and magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth.

We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

May it please You to give to all nations unity, peace and concord.

We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

May it please You to bring into the way of truth all who are ignorant of Your Covenant in Christ, or have erred, or are deceived.

We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

May it please You to strengthen those who stand, to comfort and help the weak hearted, to raise up those who fall, and finally to beat down Satan under our feet.

We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

May it please You to support, help, and comfort all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation.

We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

May it please You to preserve all who travel by land, by water, or by air, all women in child-birth, all sick persons, and young children and to show Your pity upon all prisoners and captives.

We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

May it please You to defend, and provide for the fatherless children, widows, and all who are desolate and oppressed.

We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

May it please You to have mercy upon all men.

We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

May it please You to forgive our enemies, persecutors, slanderers, and to turn their hearts.

We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

May it please You to give and preserve to our use the abundant fruits of the earth, so that in due time we may enjoy them.

We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

May it please You to give us true repentance, to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances, and to provide us with the grace of the Holy Spirit, to amend our lives according to Your Holy Word.

We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God, we implore You to hear us.

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O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

grant us Your peace.

Let us pray together:

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

O Lord, do not deal with us according to our sins;

And do not reward us according to our iniquities.

O GOD, Merciful Father, You do not despise the sighing of a contrite heart, nor the desire of those who are sorrowful. Mercifully assist the prayers we lift before You in all our troubles and adversities whenever they oppress us. Graciously hear us, that those evils which the craft and subtlety of the devil or man works against us may, by Your good providence, be brought to nothing; so that we, Your servants, being hurt by no persecutions, may forever give thanks unto You in Your holy Church, through Jesus Christ our LORD.

O LORD, rise up, help us, and deliver us, for Your Name's sake.

O God, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have declared to us, the noble works that You did in their days, and in the times of old before them.

O LORD, rise up, help us, and deliver us for Your honor.

From our enemies defend us, O Christ.

Graciously look upon our afflictions.

With pity behold the sorrow of our hearts.

Mercifully forgive the sins of Your people.

Favorably, with mercy, hear our prayers.

O Son of David, have mercy upon us.

Both now and ever, promise to hear us, O Christ.

Graciously hear us, O Christ; graciously hear us, O LORD Christ.

O LORD, show Your mercy to us:

As we do put our trust in You.

We humbly ask, O Father, that You would mercifully look on our weaknesses. For the glory of Your Name, turn from us all those punishments and judgments that we most justly have deserved. Grant, that, in all our troubles, we may put our whole trust and confidence in Your mercy, and from now on serve You in holiness and pureness of living, to Your honor and glory, through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our LORD. ***Amen.***

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we, Your unworthy servants, give You most humble and hearty thanks for all Your goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all men. We bless You for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for Your immeasurable and tremendous love in the redemption of the world by our LORD Jesus Christ, for the means of grace and for the hope of glory. And, we implore You to give us that due sense of Your mercies, that our hearts may be completely thankful, without reservation. May we show forth Your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives by giving up ourselves to Your service, and by walking before You in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our LORD, to whom, with You and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, world without end.

Amen.

Almighty God, You have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto You. You have promised that that where two or three are gathered together in Your Name, You will fulfill their requests. Please fulfill now O Lord, the desires and petitions of we Your servants, as may be most beneficial for us; granting us in this world knowledge of Your truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. ***Amen.***

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Offering

Our most merciful and gracious God, of whose bounty we have all received, we implore You to accept this offering of Your people. Remember in Your love those who have brought it, and those for whom it is given. Please follow it with Your blessing that it may promote peace and good-will among men and advance the kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. ***Amen.***

The Lord's Supper

Hear the words of the Holy Gospel, taken from Saint Matthew: "As they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body." Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins".

Now, in Christ's Name, I take these elements, the bread and the wine, to be set apart by prayer and thanksgiving to the holy use for which He has appointed them. Let us pray:

O God, You have, by the blood of Your dear Son, set apart for us a new and a living way into the holiest of all. Cleanse our minds, we implore You by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit that, drawing near unto You with a pure heart and undefiled conscience. we may receive these Your gifts without sin, and worthily magnify Your holy Name through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

"The bread, which we break, is by faith a participation in the Body of Christ."

"In just like manner, the cup that we bless is, by faith, a participation in the Blood of Christ."

Please hold each element. We will partake together after all have been served.

Closing Prayer

O Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance. Feed them also and lift them up forever. Remember, O Lord, Your congregation, which You have purchased of old. Pour out Your Spirit as floods upon the dry ground, and refresh Your waiting heritage. Let Your saints, Your priests, be clothed with righteousness and shout for joy. Show Your mercy also unto them that are afar off, and gather all the lost sheep into Your fold for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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Song 2: "Lead Me To Calvary"

King of my life, I crown Thee now,
Thine shall the glory be;
Lest I forget Thy thorn crowned brow,
Lead me to Calvary.
Lest I forget Gethsemane; Lest I forget Thine agony;
Lest I forget Thy love for me, Lead me to Calvary.

Show me the tomb where Thou wast laid,
Tenderly mourned and wept;
Angels in robes of light arrayed
Guarded Thee whilst Thou slept.
Lest I forget Gethsemane; Lest I forget Thine agony;
Lest I forget Thy love for me, lead me to Calvary.

Let me like Mary, through the gloom,
Come with a gift to Thee.
Show to me now the empty tomb,
Lead me to Calvary.
Lest I forget Gethsemane; Lest I forget Thine agony;
Lest I forget Thy love for me, lead me to Calvary.

May I be willing, Lord, to bear
Daily my cross for Thee;
Even Thy cup of grief to share,
Thou hast borne all for me.
Lest I forget Gethsemane; Lest I forget Thine agony;
Lest I forget Thy love for me, lead me to Calvary.

Benediction:

The God of Peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is pleasing in His sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Doxology:

There is a Redeemer:
Jesus God's own Son,
Precious Lamb of God,
Messiah, Holy One.

*Thank you oh my Father
For giving us Your Son
And leaving Your Spirit
Til the work on Earth is done.*

Jesus my Redeemer,
Name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God,
Messiah all for sinners slain.

When I stand in Glory
I will see His face
And there I'll serve my King forever
In that Holy Place.