

Let us prepare to worship the living God

- *The bullet points indicate when to stand if you are able.*

Prelude

**GOD REVEALS HIMSELF AND
CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP HIM**

Let us rise as the Triune God, God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, calls us to worship Him!

As we are gathered as His people let us openly
declare:

- **Our help is in the Name of the LORD Who made heaven and earth.**

Psalm 124:8

- **Call to Worship**

Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good,
For His steadfast love endures forever.

Give thanks to the God of gods,
For His steadfast love endures forever.

Give thanks to-the Lord of lords,
For His steadfast love endures forever;

It is He who remembered us in our low estate,
For His steadfast love endures forever;

Give thanks to the God of heaven,
For His steadfast love endures forever.

Psalm 136:1-3, 23,26

- **Opening Prayer**
(Led by Pastor)

- **Psalm 113**

“Praise the Lord, All You Who Serve Him”

**Praise the Lord, all you who serve Him,
praise the Lord through all your days,
then throughout eternal ages,
for the Lord deserves your praise!
Praise the Lord in every language,
every nation, clan, and tribe;
everywhere the sunlight touches
may His name be glorified!**

**Praise the Lord's majestic greatness;
no one can compare with Him!
Sov'reign over earth and heaven—
we proclaim His matchless name!
Yes, He condescends to help us,
showing mercy to His own,
lifting high the poor and needy,
giving barren ones a home!**

**Praise the Savior Who is worthy,
humble Lamb for sinners slain.
By His blood He sealed our pardon,
so we glorify His name!
People drawn from every nation
bow before the sov'reign Lord;
praise and service let us render
to our King forevermore!**

**GOD CALLS US TO CONFESS ,
TO REPENT AND TO RECONCILE**

The Ten Commandments

Exodus 20:1-17

We Pray and Confess Our Sin

God's Assurance to His Repentant People

Seek the LORD while He may be found; call on Him while He is near. ⁷ Let the wicked forsake their ways and the unrighteous their thoughts. Let them turn to the LORD, and He will have mercy on them, and to our God, for He will freely pardon.

Isaiah 55:6-7

• Hymn

“Not All the Blood of Beasts”

**Not all the blood of beasts
On Jewish altars slain
Could give the guilty conscience peace
Or wash away the stain.**

But Christ, the heav'nly Lamb,

Takes all our sins away;

A sacrifice of nobler name

And richer blood than they.

**My faith would lay its hand
On that dear head of Thine,
While as a penitent I stand,
And there confess my sin.**

**My soul looks back to see
The burden Thou didst bear
When hanging on the cursed tree;
I know my guilt was there.**

Believing, we rejoice

To see the curse remove;

We bless the Lamb with cheerful voice

And sing His bleeding love.

- **We Profess Our Faith**

Westminster Larger Catechism

Q. 50. Wherein consisted Christ's humiliation
after His death?

A. Christ's humiliation after His death consisted in His being buried; and continuing in the state of the dead and under the power of death till the third day, which hath been otherwise expressed in these words, He descended into hell.

1 Cor. 15:3-4; Ps. 16:10; Acts 2:24-27, 31; Rom. 6:9; Matt. 12:40.

Q. 51. What was the estate of Christ's exaltation?

**A. The estate of Christ's exaltation
comprehends His resurrection, ascension,
sitting at the right hand of the Father, and
His coming again to judge the world.**

1 Cor. 15:4; Mark 16:19; Eph. 1:20; Acts 1:11; Acts 17:31.

Old Testament Scripture Reading

Psalm 2

*Parents of Children in PreK–1st Grade
have the option to take their children to
Children's Church*

We Worship God with Our Tithes and Offerings

Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

~ 2 Corinthians 9:7~

- **Hymn 630**

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

**What a Friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!**

**What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Everything to God in prayer!**

Have we trials and temptations?

Is there trouble anywhere?

We should never be discouraged;

Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Can we find a friend so faithful

Who will all our sorrows share?

Jesus knows our every weakness;

Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden,

Cumbered with a load of care?

Precious Savior, still our Refuge;

Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Do thy friends despise forsake thee?

Take it to the Lord in prayer.

In His arms He'll take and shield thee;

Thou wilt find a solace there.

- **Prayer for God's Provision**

Ruling Elder



● **The Doxology**

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Praise God

**from Whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.**

New Testament Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Pastoral Prayer

Led by Pastor

**THE LORD SPEAKS TO US
THROUGH HIS WORD**

Scripture Reading

1 John 5:13-21 (20-21)

Sermon

“More Assurance - We Know Who Is the Truth”

Pastor Theo van Blerk

**GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND
TO GOD'S WORD**

Prayer

Hymn #731

“Onward, Christian Soldiers”

Onward, Christian soldiers,

Marching as to war,

With the cross of Jesus

Going on before.

Christ, the royal Master,

Leads against the foe;

Forward into battle,

See His banners go!

Refrain:

Onward, Christian soldiers,

Marching as to war,

With the cross of Jesus

Going on before.

**At the sign of triumph
Satan's host doth flee;
On, then, Christian soldiers,
On to victory!
Hell's foundations quiver
At the shout of praise;
Christians, lift your voices,**

Refrain:

Onward, Christian soldiers,

Marching as to war,

With the cross of Jesus

Going on before.

**Like a mighty army
Moves the Church of God;
Christians, we are treading
Where the saints have trod.**

**We are not divided;
All one body, we:
One in hope and doctrine,**

Refrain:

Onward, Christian soldiers,

Marching as to war,

With the cross of Jesus

Going on before.

**Onward, then, ye people,
Join our happy throng;
Blend with ours your voices
In the triumph song.
Glory, laud, and honor
Unto Christ, the King;
This thro' countless ages
Men and angels sing. [Refrain]**

Refrain:

Onward, Christian soldiers,

Marching as to war,

With the cross of Jesus

Going on before.

THE LORD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT

- **The Blessing of God's People**

Now may the God of peace, Who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with every good thing to do His will. And may He accomplish in us what is pleasing in His sight through Jesus Christ, to Whom be glory forever and ever. *Hebrews 13:20-21*

Christ is Risen

He Is Risen, Indeed!