

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**

The Lord is my strength and song, and He has
become my salvation.

The sound of joyful shouting and salvation is in the
tents of the righteous.

**Open to me the gates of righteousness; I shall
enter through them; I shall give thanks to the
Lord. I shall give thanks to You, for You have
answered me,
and You have become my salvation.**

The stone which the builders rejected has
become the chief corner stone.

**This is the Lord's doing; It is marvelous in
our eyes. This is the day which the Lord has
made; Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Psalm 118: 14,15, 19, 21, 22-24

- **Opening Prayer**
(Un Unison)

O Father, majestic is Your Name! From the rising of the sun to its setting Your Name is to be praised. We are here to worship You. We are here to praise Your holy Name. Would You hear us when we pray! Would You accept our worship for the sake of Jesus! He is our righteousness before You.

**He is the revelation of Your wisdom, the
outpouring of Your glory, and the incarnation
of Your mercy towards us! To You be the glory,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit, the One, eternal
God, now and forevermore! Amen.**

- **Hymn #1**

“Praise, my soul, the King of heaven”

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;

To His feet your tribute bring.

Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,

Evermore His praises sing.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise the everlasting King!

Praise Him for His grace and favor

To our fathers in distress;

Praise Him, still the same as ever,

Slow to chide and swift to bless.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Glorious in His faithfulness!

Father-like, He tends and spares us;

Well our feeble frame He knows.

In His hands He gently bears us,

Rescues us from all our foes.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Widely yet His mercy flows.

**Angels in the height, adore Him;
You behold Him face to face.**

**Saints triumphant, bow before Him;
Gathered in from every race.**

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise with us the God of grace!

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

The Ten Commandments

Exodus 20:1-17

We Pray and Confess Our Sin
(Prayer Led by Pastor)

God's Assurance to His Repentant People

“...giving thanks to the Father, Who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light. For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in Whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.”

Colossians 1:12-14

• Hymn
“In Christ Alone”

In Christ alone my hope is found

He is my light my strength my song

This Cornerstone this solid Ground

Firm through the fiercest drought and storm

What heights of love what depths of peace

When fears are stilled when strivings cease

My Comforter my All in All

Here in the love of Christ I stand

**In Christ alone Who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live**

**There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ**

**No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.**

- **We Profess Our Faith**

Westminster Larger Catechism

Q. 46. What was the estate of Christ's
humiliation?

A. The estate of Christ's humiliation was that low condition, wherein He, for our sakes, emptying Himself of His glory, took upon Him the form of a servant, in His conception and birth, life, death, and after His death, until His resurrection.

Phil. 2:6-8; Luke 1:31; 2 Cor. 8:9; Acts 2:24.

Q. 47. How did Christ humble Himself in His conception and birth?

A. Christ humbled Himself in His conception and birth, in that, being from all eternity the Son of God, in the bosom of the Father, He was pleased in the fullness of time to become the Son of man, made of a woman of low estate, and to be born of her; into circumstances of more than ordinary abasement. John 1:14, 18; Gal. 4:4; Luke 2:7.

Old Testament Scripture Reading

Proverbs 31:10-31

*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~

- **Psalm 138**

“With All My Heart My Thanks I’ll Bring”

**With all my heart my thanks I'll bring,
Before the gods Your praise I'll sing.
I'll bow down toward Your holy place,
And praise Your name for truth and
grace.**

**For You have magnified Your word,
So far above Your Name adored.
You answered me the day I called,
You strengthened me and made me bold.**

**All kings of earth will thank You, LORD;
They'll sing when they have heard Your
Word,
The LORD's ways they will celebrate;
The glory of the LORD is great.**

**The LORD, although exalted high,
On lowly ones will keep His eye;
But those who proud and haughty are,
He knows them only from afar.**

- **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 2:1-5

Pastoral Prayer

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

Scripture Reading

1 John 5:13-21

Sermon

“More Assurance”

Pastor Theo van Blerk

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

Prayer

Hymn #151

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

**A mighty fortress is our God,
A bulwark never failing;
Our helper He amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work us woe —
His craft and pow'r are great,
And armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.**

**Did we in our own strength confide,
Our striving would be losing,
Were not the right man on our side,
The man of God's own choosing.**

Dost ask who that may be?

**Christ Jesus, it is He —
Lord Sabaoth His Name,
From age to age the same,
And He must win the battle.**

**And tho' this world with devils filled,
Should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed
His truth to triumph thro' us.
The prince of darkness grim,
We tremble not for him —
His rage we can endure,
For lo, his doom is sure:
One little word shall fell him.**

That word above all earthly pow'rs,

No thanks to them, abideth;

The Spirit and the gifts are ours

Thro' Him Who with us sideth.

Let goods and kindred go,

This mortal life also —

The body they may kill;

God's truth abideth still:

His kingdom is forever.

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!