

Worship in Song

I am alive saved by your sacrifice

Welcome - Theme - *God's invitation to come*

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O Lord my God. When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works thy hand hath made.
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder.
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, my saviour God to thee,
How great thou art. How great thou art.

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze

And when I think that God his Son not sparing,
Sent him to die - I scarce can take it in.
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
To take me home - what joy shall fill my heart.
Then shall I bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim, my God, how great thou art.

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Confession

Gracious and merciful God, we confess to you our
reluctance to get involved in difficult situations, and
for the times when we are tempted to do what is
easy rather than what is right:

Forgive us, O God, and increase our trust in you.

When we are tempted to use the gifts you give
us to benefit ourselves at the expense of
serving others:

Forgive us, O God, and increase our trust in you.

When we are tempted to boast, rather than
being guided by the humility of Christ:

Forgive us, O God, and increase our trust in you.

When we are tempted to use power to
influence and control others:

Forgive us, O God, and increase our trust in you.

**Merciful God, save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil. Forgive us our sins
and fill us with the joy and peace of your
salvation. So strengthen us with your Spirit
that we put our whole trust in you as
confidently as Jesus did. This we pray in the
name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Special Prayer for Today

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able
to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through
Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and
reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one
God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Bible Reading

Matthew 22.1–14 (*Church Bible page 827*)

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

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We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things we will say together
We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire
He is the Lord our God
We are not consumed by the flood
Upheld protected gathered up

In the dark of night before the dawn
My soul be not afraid
For the promised morning oh how long
Oh God of Jacob be my strength

Every vow we've broken and betrayed
You are the faithful one
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together bring shalom

Affirmation of Faith

Let us acclaim the Lord our God:

We believe in God the eternal Father; heaven and earth are full of his glory. We believe in Jesus Christ, his true and only Son; he became man to set us free from sin. We believe in the Holy Spirit; he is our advocate and guide. We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers

At the end: Merciful Father,
accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Notices

The Peace

We are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Offertory Prayer

Generous God, creator, redeemer, sustainer, at your table we present this money, symbol of the work you have given us to do; use it, use us, in the service of your world to the glory of your name. Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Father, you made the world and love your creation. You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour. His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death. And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels praising you, and saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Christ is the bread of life:

When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

We receive communion

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Come all you vagabonds, come all you don't belongs
Winners and losers, come people like me
Come all you travellers, tired from the journey
Come wait a while stay a while, welcomed you'll be

Come all you questioners, looking for answers
And searching for reasons, and sense in it all
Come all you fallen, and come all you broken
Find strength for your body, and food for your soul

Come to the feast, there is room at the table
Come let us meet in this place
With the King of all kindness who welcomes us in
With the wonder of love and the power of grace
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Come those who worry 'bout houses and money
And all those who don't have a care in the world
From every station and orientation
The helpless the hopeless, the young and the old

Come all believers and dreamers and schemers
And come all you restless just searching for home
Movers and shakers, and givers and takers
The happy the sad, the lost and alone

Come self-sufficient with wearied ambition
And come those who feel at the end of the road
Fiery debaters and religion haters
Accusers abusers, the hurt and ignored

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The Lord's my Shepherd I'll not want
He makes me lie in pastures green
He leads me by the still still waters
His goodness restores my soul

And I will trust in You alone
And I will trust in You alone
For Your endless mercy follows me
Your goodness will lead me home

He guides my ways in righteousness
And He anoints my head with oil
And my cup it overflows with joy
I feast on His pure delights

And though I walk the darkest path
I will not fear the evil one
For You are with me
And Your rod and staff
Are the comfort I need to know

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Be still for the presence of the Lord the Holy
One is here
Come bow before him now with reverence and fear
In him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground
Be still for the presence of the Lord the Holy One is here

Be still for the glory of the Lord is shining all around
He burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned
How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light
Be still for the glory of the Lord is shining all
around

Be still for the power of the Lord is moving in this place
He comes to cleanse and heal to minister his grace
No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him
Be still for the power of the Lord is moving in this place

Prayer after Communion

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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I am alive saved by your sacrifice
Death overcome glory dispels the night
You call the lifeless to wake from death to life
Out of darkness arise

I am set free saved from the power of sin
Guilt overcome your Spirit at work within
You break the chains of the law I am released
From the burden of sin

Now we cry Father we are your children
We are adopted as your own
No condemnation we are forgiven
Nothing can take us from your love

I am redeemed raised with my Saviour Christ
Fear overcome I will be glorified
You will forever defend and stand beside
I am safe in your love

Bridge

Creation awaits the glorious day
When Jesus returns and trials will fade

Blessing

Go in peace; love and care for one another in Christ's name, and may God bless you with every gift needful for his work, may the Spirit grant you the willingness to risk yourself for the sake of the gospel, and may the love and compassion of Jesus dwell richly within you till the time of his coming both now and forevermore; and may the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.