

Welcome

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;
the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the
simple; the precepts of the Lord are right,
rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the
Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes. *Psalm 19.7-8*

Worship in Song

God's saints of old through history told
Of the One who was to come
A Son, a King, a Lamb to be slain
For the sins of all the world

He's the Promise of the Ages
Lifted up to save us, Jesus Christ our sacrifice
He's the fount of living water
King and friend forever
Bow before the Promise of the Ages

In flesh he came yet chose to remain
With the outcast and the poor
He bled, he died was raised glorified
Now he lives forever more

Lift your hands and sing hallelujah
to the King of all the earth
Raise your voice and sing hallelujah
to the King of all the earth

How long until the earth will be filled
With the knowledge of the Lord
When he shall come when nations and tongues
Will be joined in glorious song

Confession

The word of God is living and active. It judges
the thoughts and intentions of the heart. All is
open and laid bare before the eyes of him to
whom we give account. So let us confess our
sins in penitence and faith.

**God of mercy, we acknowledge that we are
sinners. We turn from the wrong that we have
thought and said and done, and are mindful of all**

**that we have failed to do. For the sake of Jesus,
who died for us, forgive us for all that is past, and
help us to live each day in the light of Christ our
Lord. Amen.**

The almighty and merciful Lord grant you
pardon and forgiveness of all your sins, time for
amendment of life, and the grace and strength
of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Special Prayer for Today

Almighty God, who by your Word created the
heavens and the earth, and by your Spirit
enlightened our hearts, grant that we may
receive your holy scriptures with reverent
hearts, believe their truth, and obey their
teaching; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who
lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Bible Readings

Psalm 119.169-176 (*Bible page 516*)
Luke 15.1-7 (*Bible page 874*)

Sermon

Worship in Song

From the chaos of darkness
Your word shaped the earth
In your image a people made
But we traded perfection the truth for a lie
And your glory was veiled in shame
But a promise made a blessing you gave
To a people of your name
For this broken world a Saviour foretold
To bear all our grief and pain

When the heavenly Saviour descended his throne
All my sin on his shoulders laid
And to win our redemption he suffered and died
For the sake of my guilt and shame
Oh the price he paid in taking my place
So that death was overcome
When the King of love burst forth from the grave
Proclaiming the victory won

At the end of the ages the world passed away
I will gaze on my Saviour's face
When my heart is perfected and free from my sin
I will rest in your glorious grace
For the song we raise the works of our hands
Are in service of the King
When a thousand tongues cry glory to God
Forever his praise we'll sing

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The Peace

God has reconciled us to himself through Christ
and given us the ministry of reconciliation. So let
us offer the peace of God to all.

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

Prayers

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

Worship in Song

When my hope and strength is gone
You're the One who calls me on
You are the life, you are the fight that's in my soul
Oh your resurrection power
Burns like fire in my heart
When waters rise, I lift my eyes up to your throne

We are more than conquerors through Christ
You have overcome this world this life
We will not bow to sin or to shame
We are defiant in your name
You are the fire that cannot be tamed
You are the power in our veins
Our Lord our God our conqueror

I will sing into the night
Christ is risen and on high
Greater is he, living in me than in the world
No surrender no retreat
We are free and we're redeemed
We will declare, over despair you are the hope

Nothing is impossible
Every chain is breakable
With you we are victorious
You are stronger than our hearts
You are greater than the dark
With you we are victorious

Offertory Prayer

The free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus
our Lord. By his mercy we present not just our
money but our whole lives to God as a living
sacrifice. **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.**

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.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, at all
times and in all place to give you thanks and praise,
holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal
God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For he is our great high priest who has loosed us
from our sins and has made us to be a royal
priesthood to you our God and Father.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with
all the company of heaven, we proclaim your
great and glorious name, for ever 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.**

All glory be to you, our heavenly Father, who, in
your tender mercy, gave your only Son our
Saviour Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the
cross for our redemption; who made there by
his one oblation of himself once offered a full,
perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and
satisfaction for the sins of the whole world;
he instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us
to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious
death until he comes again.

Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray, and grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: 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.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father, in remembrance of the precious death and passion, the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension of your dear Son Jesus Christ, we offer you through him this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Grant that by his merits and death, and through faith in his blood, we and all your Church may receive forgiveness of our sins and all other benefits of his passion. Although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer you any sacrifice, yet we pray that you will accept this the duty and service that we owe.

Do not weigh our merits, but pardon our offences and fill us all who share in this holy communion with your grace and heavenly blessing; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty 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

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. **Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.**

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

Worship in Song - during communion

Holy Spirit living breath of God,
Breathe new life into my willing soul.
Let the presence of the risen Lord
Come renew my heart and make me whole
Cause your word to come alive in me,
Give me faith for what I cannot see;
Give me passion for your purity;
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within,
May your joy be seen in all I do.
Love enough to cover every sin
In each thought and deed and attitude:
Kindness to the greatest and the least,
Gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my strivings into works of grace;
Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,
Giving life to all that God has made,
Show your power once again on earth,
Cause your church to hunger for your ways.

May the fragrance of our prayers arise;
Lead us on the road of sacrifice,
That in unity the face of Christ
May be clear for all the world to see.

Worship in Song - during communion

I cast my mind to Calvary
Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see His wounds His hands His feet
My Saviour on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb
The entrance sealed by heavy stone
Messiah still and all alone

O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord oh Lord our God

Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting
The angels roar for Christ the King

He shall return in robes of white
The blazing sun shall pierce the night
And I will rise among the saints
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

Prayer after Communion

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Worship in Song

In days of peace and days of rest
In times of loss and loneliness
Though rich or poor your word is true
That all my ways are known to you

No trial has come beyond your hand
No step I walk beyond your plan
The path is dark outside my view
Still all my ways are known to you

And O what peace that I have found
Wherever I may be
For all my ways are known to you
Hallelujah they are known to you

I do not fear the final night
For death will be the door to life
You take my hand and lead me through
For all my ways are known to you

Bridge

Open up my eyes so I may see
That you have made these ways for me
Open up my eyes so I may see
That you my God will walk with me

Blessing

Almighty God, we thank you for the gift of your word. May it be a lantern to our feet, a light upon our paths, and a strength to our lives. Take us and use us to love and serve all people in the power of the Holy Spirit and in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.