

CHRIST CHURCH

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CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM 30:1-5; 11-12

SONG – DOXOLOGY

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

All people that on earth do dwell
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice
Him serve with mirth, His praise forth tell
Come ye before Him and rejoice

For why? The Lord our God is good
His mercy is forever sure
His truth at all times firmly stood
And shall from age to age endure

Praise God who has our strength supplied
Through Christ the Son be glorified
The risen and exalted One
Forever shall Your praise be sung

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CONFESSION

God our Father, we confess that we often fail to live in light of the past and future coming of Your Son, Jesus Christ. He came to redeem those under the law, but we tend toward living as those still under it. You sent the Holy Spirit into our hearts, but instead we often choose to live as slaves to our flesh. You purchased our freedom and adopted us as Your sons and daughters, but we struggle to live out of our identity as Your children. Forgive our fear and unbelief. Help us to live as Your sons and daughters, heirs to Your Fatherly blessings because of what Jesus has done for us. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GALATIANS 5:1

SONG – HIS MERCY IS MORE

What love could remember no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient all-knowing, He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam?
What Father so tender is calling us home?
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

Praise the Lord! His mercy is more!
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

What riches of kindness He lavished on us?
His blood was the payment, His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

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READING

GALATIANS 4:4-7

SONG – MY FATHER PLANNED IT ALL

What though the way be lonely, and dark the shadows fall
I know, where'er it leadeth, my Father planned it all

The sun may shine tomorrow, the shadows break and flee
'Twill be the way He chooses, my Father's plan for me

I sing through shade and sunshine and trust what e'er befall
I sing, I can't be silent; my Father planned it all

He guides my faltering footsteps along the weary way
For well He knows the pathway, will lead to endless day

A day of light and gladness, on which no shade will fall
'Tis this at last awaits me, my Father planned it all

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PROFESSION OF FAITH

Leader: What is Your only comfort in life and death?

Congregation: That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven. In fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to Him, Christ, by His Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him. - Heidelberg Catechism Question #1

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

SONG OF ILLUMINATION LORD, I NEED YOU

Lord I come, I confess; bowing here, I find my rest
And without You I fall apart; You're the one that guides my heart

Lord I need You, oh I need You
Every hour I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are, Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me

So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay

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SCRIPTURE READING

EXODUS 1

PREACHING OF THE WORD

COMMUNION

SONG – 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

On Christ the Solid Rock I stand
All other ground is sinking sand
All other ground is sinking sand

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

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SONG – COME AND DINE

Come and dine, the Savior calls
Come and dine, the Savior calls
Eat and live

We will sit at Jesus table
We will sit at Jesus table
Drink and thirst no more

For He has a table spread where the saints of God are fed
And He invites His chosen ones to come and dine

Soon the Lamb will take His bride to be ever at His side
And all of Heaven will be there to come and dine

It will be a glorious sight; all the saints in spotless white
And with Jesus we will feast, so come and dine

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BENEDICTION

1 PETER 1:8-9