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CALL TO WORSHIP PSALM 139:1-18; 23-24

SONG - HERE IS LOVE

Here is love vast as the ocean; loving kindness as a flood When the Prince of Life, our ransom Shed for us His precious blood Who His love will not remember? Who can cease to sing His praise? He can never be forgotten throughout Heaven's eternal days

On the mount of crucifixion fountains opened deep and wide Through the floodgates of God's mercy flowed a vast and gracious tide Grace and love like mighty rivers flowed incessant from above Heaven's peace and perfect justice kissed a guilty world in love

Here is love that conquered evil:
Christ the firstborn from the grave
Death has failed to be found equal to the life of Him who saves
In the valley of our darkness, dawned His everlasting light
Perfect love in glorious radiance
has repelled death's hellish night

That same love beyond all measure mocked and slain by hateful men Lives and reigns in resurrection and can never die again Here is love for all the ages, radiant Sun of Heav'n He stands Calling home His Father's children holding forth His wounded hands

Here is love vast as the heavens, countless as the stars above Are the souls that He has ransomed precious daughters, treasured sons We are called to feast forever on a love beyond our time Glorious Father, Son, and Spirit now with man are intertwined

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CONFESSION

Lord Jesus, we have not kept watch for You, but rather have too often occupied ourselves with our own concerns. Enjoying this world, we do not long for Your Kingdom as we ought. We have acted impatiently, and we have sought to fix problems in prayerlessness. We have often not noticed the needs of others, and we routinely neglect the love and grace which You have poured out on us. Forgive us for our lack of watchfulness. Help us to wait to know Your will for our lives. Help us to look for the needs of others. Help us to work and watch for Your coming in growing hope and expectation. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON PS. 32:1-5

SONG - ARISE, MY SOUL, ARISE

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears The bleeding sacrifice on my behalf appears Before the throne my surety stands Before the throne my surety stands My name is written on His hands

He ever lives above for me to intercede
His all redeeming love, His precious blood to plead
His blood atoned for every race
His blood atoned for every race
And sprinkles now the throne of grace

O my soul, arise, behold the risen Christ Your Great High Priest, your spotless sacrifice O my soul, arise, God owns you as His child Shake off your guilty fears, my soul, arise

Five bleeding wounds He bears, received on Calvary They pour effectual prayers; they strongly plead for me "Forgive him, O forgive," they cry "Forgive him, O forgive," they cry "Don't let that ransomed sinner die!"

My God is reconciled, His pardoning voice I hear He owns me as His child, I can no longer fear With confidence I now draw nigh With confidence I now draw nigh And "Father, Abba, Father," cry

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READING **PSALM 34:17-19; 22**

SONG - CHRIST IS MINE, FOREVERMORE

Mine are days that God has numbered; I was made to walk with Him Yet I look for worldly treasure and forsake the King of kings But mine is hope in my Redeemer, though I fall, His love is sure For Christ has paid for every failing I am His, forevermore

Mine are tears in times of sorrow, darkness not yet understood Through the valley I must travel where I see no earthly good But mine is peace that flows from heaven and the strength in times of need I know my pain will not be wasted, Christ completes His work in me

Mine are days here as a stranger; pilgrim on a narrow way
One with Christ I will encounter harm and hatred for His name
But mine is armor for this battle, strong enough to last the war
And He has said He will deliver safely to the golden shore
And mine are keys to Zion city where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure
Christ is mine, forevermore

Come rejoice now, O my soul, for His love is my reward Fear is gone and hope is sure Christ is mine, forevermore

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PROFESSION OF FAITH

We will trust in the LORD forever, for the LORD is the Rock eternal. He humbles those who dwell on high, He lays the lofty city low; He levels it to the ground and casts it down to the dust. He makes the way of the righteous smooth. We walk in the way of Your laws, oh Lord, and we wait for You; Your name and renown are the desire of our hearts. When Your judgments come upon the earth, the people of the world learn righteousness. LORD, You establish peace, and all that we have accomplished, You have done for us. – Taken from Isalah 26

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

SONG OF ILLUMINATION LORD, WE COME TO HEAR YOUR WORD

Lord, we come to hear Your Word.
Shine Your light! Unsheathe Your sword
Send Your Spirit forth in power;
come and bless Your church this hour
We confess, our thoughts have strayed;
minds distracted and dismayed
On the Son, fix now each thought;
help us worship as we ought

Lord, as we prepare to hear; wake each soul, unstop each ear Conquer every stubborn heart; mercy, saving grace impart We confess: without Your grace, vain our efforts in this place Send illumination's light; open eyes and give us sight

Lord, we lift up to Your care; him who stands now to declare Truth that teaches, warns, consoles; bless this feast to feed our souls For Your Word, O Lord, we yearn; empty, let it not return Come, accomplish all Your will; draw, convict, give life, and fill

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SCRIPTURE READING EXODUS 5:1-7; 5:22-6:10

PREACHING OF THE WORD

COMMUNION

SONG - ABIDE WITH ME

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee
Help of the helpless, abide with me

Thou on my head in early youth did smile And, though rebellious and perverse meanwhile Thou hast not left me, though I oft left Thee On to the close, Lord, abide with me

I need Thy presence every passing hour What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power? Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless Ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness Where is thy sting, death? Where grave, thy victory? I triumph still, abide with me

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies Heavn's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee In life, in death, Lord, abide with me

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SONG - JESUS PAID IT ALL

I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small" "Child of weakness watch and pray; find in Me thine all in all"

Jesus paid it all; all to Him I owe Sin had left a crimson stain; He washed it white as snow

For nothing good have I, where by Thy grace to claim I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calvary's Lamb

And when before the throne I stand in Him complete "Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat

O praise the One who paid my debt And raised this life up from the dead

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BENEDICTION ROMANS 15:13