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CALL TO WORSHIP 1 KINGS 8:22-30

SONG - ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

All creatures of our God and King Lift up your voice and with us sing: "O praise Him! Alleluia!" Thou, burning sun with golden beam; Thou, silver moon with softer gleam O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship Him in humbleness O praise Him! Alleluia Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son And praise the Spirit, Three in One! O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All the Redeemed washed by His blood Come and rejoice in His great love O praise Him! Alleluia! Christ has defeated every sin Cast all your burdens now on Him O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

He shall return in power to reign Heaven and earth will join to say: "O praise Him! Alleluia!" Then who shall fall on bended knee? All creatures of our God and King O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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CONFESSION

We confess that even though we have been united with Christ, our thoughts and words are often divisive. We have been comforted with His love, but have withheld our love from others. We have fellowship with the Spirit of God, yet we still seek our own way. Forsaking unity, we have often acted out of selfish ambition. Exalting ourselves, we have sought to be praised. Neglecting our neighbor, we have not always considered others' interests above our own. But You, oh Lord, have not withheld Your love from us. You became nothing by taking the form of a servant. You humbled yourself and died, so that we might now live out of love for You and our neighbor. Have mercy upon us, according to Your great compassion through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. – Taken from Philippians 2

ASSURANCE OF PARDON HEBREWS 4:14-16

SONG - THIS IS AMAZING GRACE

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness? Whose love is mighty and so much stronger? The King of Glory, the King above all kings Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder? Who leaves us breathless in awe and wonder? The King of Glory, the King above all kings

This is amazing grace, this is unfailing love That You would take my place That You would bear my cross You would lay down Your life That I would be set free Jesus, I sing for all that You've done for me

Who brings our chaos back into order? Who makes the orphan a son and daughter? The King of Glory, the King above all kings Who rules the nations with truth and justice— Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance? The King of Glory, the King above all kings

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Worthy is the King who conquered the grave

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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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PROFESSION OF FAITH

Leader: What do you believe concerning the holy and universal Church?

Congregation: I believe that the Son of God through His Spirit and Word—out of the entire human race, from the beginning of the world to its end—gathers, protects, and preserves for Himself a community chosen for eternal life and united in true faith. Believers one and all, as members of this community, share in Christ and in all His treasures and gifts. Each member should consider it a duty to use these gifts readily and joyfully for the service and enrichment of the other members.

- Taken from the Heidelberg Catechism #54-55

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 25:1-9

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 - OH HOW GOOD IT IS

Oh how good it is when the family of God Dwells together in spirit, in faith and unity Where the bonds of peace of acceptance and love Are the fruit of His presence here among us

So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord And with one heart we'll live out His Word Till the whole earth sees the Redeemer has come For He dwells in the presence of His people

Oh how good it is, on this journey we share To rejoice with the happy and weep with those who mourn For the weak find strength; the afflicted find grace When we offer the blessing of belonging

Oh how good it is to embrace His command To prefer one another; forgive as He forgives When we live as one, we all share in the love Of the Son with the Father and the Spirit

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