

Home Worship Guide

July 4, 2021

Opening Prayer

(select someone from your group to open your service in prayer)

Call to Worship

Psalm 9:1-4 (ESV)

LEADER: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;
I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

PEOPLE: *I will be glad and exult in you;
I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.*

LEADER: When my enemies turn back,
they stumble and perish before your presence.

PEOPLE: *For you have maintained my just cause;
you have sat on the throne, giving righteous judgment.*

Songs & Liturgy

(sing as a group and/or sing along to recorded versions)

ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

(St. Francis, 1225, & William H. Draper 1928, Jonathan Baird, Ryan Baird)

All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia, 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 pow'r 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, Alleluia!

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PSALM MEDITATION – Psalm 9:5-20 (ESV)

LEADER: But the Lord sits enthroned forever;
he has established his throne for justice,

*PEOPLE: And he judges the world with righteousness;
he judges the peoples with uprightness.*

LEADER: The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed,
a stronghold in times of trouble.

*PEOPLE: And those who know your name put their trust in you,
for you, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek you.*

LEADER: Sing praises to the Lord, who sits enthroned in Zion!
Tell among the peoples his deeds!

*PEOPLE: For he who avenges blood is mindful of them;
he does not forget the cry of the afflicted.*

LEADER: Be gracious to me, O Lord!
See my affliction from those who hate me,
O you who lift me up from the gates of death,

*PEOPLE: That I may recount all your praises,
that in the gates of the daughter of Zion
I may rejoice in your salvation.*

LEADER: The nations have sunk in the pit that they made;
in the net that they hid, their own foot has been caught.

*PEOPLE: The Lord has made himself known; he has executed judgment;
the wicked are snared in the work of their own hands.*

LEADER: The wicked shall return to Sheol,
all the nations that forget God.

*PEOPLE: For the needy shall not always be forgotten,
and the hope of the poor shall not perish forever.*

LEADER: Arise, O Lord! Let not man prevail;
let the nations be judged before you!

*ALL: Put them in fear, O Lord!
Let the nations know that they are but men!*

LORD, FROM SORROWS DEEP I CALL

(Matt Boswell, Matt Papa)

Lord, from sorrows deep I call
When my hope is shaken.
Torn and ruined from the fall,
Hear my desperation.
For so long I've pled and prayed,
"God, come to my rescue!"
Even so the thorn remains,
Still my heart will praise You.

Storms within my troubled soul,
Questions without answers.
On my faith these billows roll.
God, be now my shelter.
Why are you cast down my soul?
Hope in Him who saves you.
When the fires have all grown cold,
Cause this heart to praise You.

CHORUS:

Oh my soul, put your hope in God.
My help, my rock, I will praise Him.
Sing, oh sing, through the raging storm.
"You're still my God, my salvation."

Should my life be torn from me,
Every worldly pleasure.
When all I possess is grief,
God, be then my treasure.
Be my vision in the night.
Be my hope and refuge.
'Til my faith is turned to sight,
Lord, my heart will praise You.

(CHORUS)

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Sharing

(as a lead into the Prayer Time, as a group share how you are feeling and what you are learning)

Prayer Time

(You may have an open time of prayer or select someone to pray)

- Pray for our church's short and long-term meeting place needs, that God would give us favor in the eyes of those in authority and that He would give us provision that would go far beyond all that we could ask or imagine.
- Pray for our world – that the good news of Jesus Christ would flourish and that many would come to know God genuinely and personally.
- Pray for those experiencing injustices; specifically, that God would bring hope, reconciliation, and restoration through the good news of His Son, and that we would be agents of this reconciliation.
- Pray for those in authority at every level in our country, that they would govern wisely and justly.

Listen to Sermon

“The *Poor* Rule”

Luke 18:18-30

preached by Pastor Chris Audino

Scripture Passage: Luke 18:18-30 (ESV)

¹⁸ And a ruler asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁹ And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. ²⁰ You know the commandments: ‘Do not commit adultery, Do not murder, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother.’” ²¹ And he said, “All these I have kept from my youth.” ²² When Jesus heard this, he said to him, “One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.” ²³ But when he heard these things, he became very sad, for he was extremely rich. ²⁴ Jesus, seeing that he had become sad, said, “How difficult it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God.” ²⁶ Those who heard it said, “Then who can be saved?” ²⁷ But he said, “What is impossible with man is possible with God.” ²⁸ And Peter said, “See, we have left our homes and followed you.” ²⁹ And he said to them, “Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or wife or brothers or parents or children, for the sake of the kingdom of God, ³⁰ who will not receive many times more in this time, and in the age to come eternal life.”

Confession of Faith

Galatians 2:20

LEADER: Christian, what is true of you in Christ?

CONGREGATION: I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me, and delivered Himself up for me.

Song of Response

(sing as a group and/or sing along to recorded versions)

ALL I HAVE IS CHRIST

(Jordan Kauflin)

I once was lost in darkest night
Yet thought I knew the way.
The sin that promised joy and life
Had led me to the grave.
I had no hope that You would own
A rebel to Your will.
And if You had not loved me first
I would refuse You still.

But as I ran my hell-bound race
Indifferent to the cost
You looked upon my helpless state
And led me to the cross.
And I beheld God's love displayed
You suffered in my place.
You bore the wrath reserved for me
Now all I know is grace.

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ.
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life.

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone
And live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands
Could never come from me.
Oh Father, use my ransomed life
In any way You choose.
And let my song forever be
My only boast is You.

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ.
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life.

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Benediction

(The leader or individual should read this aloud relishing in the confident assertion that Christ has conquered.)

Luke 12:29-32

LEADER: Do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you. Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

PEOPLE: *Amen!*