

Call to Worship

Minister: *How great is our Lord. His power is absolute, His understanding is beyond comprehension. Sing out your thanks to the Lord; sing praises to our God.*

From Psalm 145

Invocation

Minister

✠Hymn of Worship

How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder / Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made, / I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, / Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; / How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

When thro' the woods and forest glades I wander / And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees, / When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, / And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze.

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, / Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in, / That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, / He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation / And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! / Then I shall bow in humble adoration, / And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art.

✠Prayer of Promise

The Book of Prayer, Matthew Henry

O Lord, You are the King eternal, immortal, invisible. Before the mountains were brought forth or You had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting You are God. You are the same yesterday, today and forever. At the beginning of time You laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the works of Your hands. Let all that I am praise the Lord. (1 Tim. 1:17; Ps. 90:2; Heb. 13:8; Ps. 102:25; Ps. 103:1)

Leader: *All glory be to God for His grace and mercy.*

People: Amen.

Hymn of Praise

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto Me and rest; / Lay down, O weary one, / Lay down your head upon My breast." / I came to Jesus as I was, / So weary, worn, and sad; / I found in Him a resting place, / And He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, / "Behold, I freely give / The living water; thirsty one, / Stoop down, and drink, and live." / I came to Jesus, and I drank Of that life-giving stream; / My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, / And now I live in Him.

✠Those who are able, please stand.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, / "I am this dark world's Light; / Look unto Me, your morn shall rise, / And all your day be bright." / I looked to Jesus, and I found / In Him my Star, my Sun; / And in that Light of life I'll walk, / Till trav'ling days are done.

Confession of Faith

Q.11 The Geneva Catechism, John Calvin

Leader: *Before our conversion and being made new by the Spirit, can we do anything other than sin; like a corrupt tree that only bears corrupt fruit?*

People: It is so. No matter how our deeds look to others, they are wholly evil as long as the heart is corrupt, and that is what God is watching most closely.

Pastoral Prayer

Minister

✠Hymn of Preparation

I Will Glory in My Redeemer

I will glory in my Redeemer, / Whose priceless blood has ransomed me. / Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails / And hung Him on that judgment tree. / I will glory in my Redeemer, / Who crushed the power of sin and death, / My only Savior before the Holy Judge, / *The Lamb Who is my righteousness.*

I will glory in my Redeemer, / My life He bought, my love He owns. / I have no longings for another— / I'm satisfied in Him alone. / I will glory in my Redeemer, / His faithfulness my standing place. / Though foes are mighty and rush upon me, / *My feet are firm, held by His grace.*

I will glory in my Redeemer, / Who carries me on eagles' wings. / He crowns my life with lovingkindness; / His triumph song I'll ever sing. / I will glory in my Redeemer, / Who waits for me at gates of gold. / And when He calls me it will be paradise / *His face forever to behold.*

✠Sermon Scripture Reading

Minister

The Sermon

Dr. Renton Rathbun

One Body, One God

Ephesians 4:4-6

✠Hymn of Response

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. / Amen.

✠Hymn of Benediction

Christ, Our Hope in Life and Death

What is our hope in life and death? / Christ alone, Christ alone. / What is our only confidence? / That our souls to Him belong. / Who holds our days within His hand? / What comes, apart from His command? / And what will keep us to the end? / The love of Christ in which we stand.

O, sing hallelujah! / Our hope springs eternal; / O, sing hallelujah! / Now and ever we confess / Christ, our hope in life and death.

What truth can calm the troubled soul? / God is good, God is good. / Where
is His grace and goodness known? / In our great Redeemer's blood. / Who
holds our faith when fears arise? / Who stands above the stormy trial? /
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh / Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

*O, sing hallelujah! / Our hope springs eternal; / O, sing hallelujah! / Now and
ever we confess / Christ, our hope in life and death.*

Unto the grave, what will we sing? / "Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!" / And
what reward will Heaven bring? / Everlasting life with Him. / There we will
rise to meet the Lord, / Then sin and death will be destroyed, / And we will
feast in endless joy, / When Christ is ours forevermore.

✙ **Benediction**



*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers
and want fellowship;
to all who hunger
and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come,
this church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome in the name of the
Lord Jesus Christ.*

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