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N E W C I T Y

God initiates the dialogue by calling us through his Word.

CALL TO WORSHIP*

DEUTERONOMY 32:3-4

LEADER I will proclaim the name of the Lord;
ascribe greatness to our God!

ALL The Rock, his work is perfect,
for all his ways are justice.

LEADER A God of faithfulness and without iniquity,
just and upright is he.

We respond to God's gracious initiative through corporate prayer and songs of adoration.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION*

PSALM 51:1-6

ALL Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin!
For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.
Against you, you only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you may be justified in your words
and blameless in your judgment.
Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,
and in sin did my mother conceive me.
Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being,
and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.

SONG OF APPROACH*

O PRAISE THE NAME (ANÁSTASIS)

I cast my mind to Calvary
Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see His wounds His hands His feet
My Saviour on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb
The entrance sealed by heavy stone
Messiah still and all alone

**O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord oh Lord our God**

Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting
The angels roar for Christ the King

He shall return in robes of white
The blazing sun shall pierce the night
And I will rise among the saints
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

SONG OF APPROACH*

KING OF KINGS

In the darkness we were waiting without hope without light
Till from Heaven You came running there was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfill the law and prophets to a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory to a cradle in the dirt

**Praise the Father Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings**

To reveal the kingdom coming and to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation You did not despise the cross
For even in Your suffering You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation Jesus for our sake You died

And the morning that You rose all of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good for the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs and the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come to the Father are restored

And the Church of Christ was born then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old shall not kneel shall not faint
By His blood and in His Name in His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ who has resurrected me

As the Lord, Jesus reveals his will for those that belong to his Kingdom. In turn, we recognize our sin and respond with confession.

READING OF THE LAW*

ROMANS 6:20-23

LEADER For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM 86

LEADER What is faith in Jesus Christ?

ALL Faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace, by which we receive and rest on Him alone for salvation, as He is offered to us in the gospel.

We pray with full confidence that our holy God is merciful to sinners because of Jesus Christ.

CORPORATE AND SILENT CONFESSION

ADAPTED FROM "THE CRY OF A CONVICTED SINNER" IN THE VALLEY OF VISION

ALL Righteous and Holy Sovereign, in whose hand is my life and all my ways, save me from myself, from the artifices and deceits of sin, from the treachery of my perverse nature, from a life of continual rebellion against you, from wrong principles, views, and ends; for I know that all my thoughts, affections, desires and pursuits are alienated from you. O, Father of my spirit, you King of my life, cast me not into destruction, drive me not from your presence, but wound my heart that it may be healed; break it that your own hand may make it whole. Amen.

We believe that on the cross all our sins--past, present, and future--have been paid for.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

EPHESIANS 2:8-9

LEADER For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Having received
mercy in Christ
Jesus, we give
thanks to God.

SONG OF THANKSGIVING*

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
And 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 laid 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 of Glory

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
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We embrace our
new family in Christ
with the peace Jesus
has accomplished
by his death-and-
resurrection.

PASSING OF THE PEACE*

LEADER By the grace of God, we have been saved through faith.
May the peace of Christ be with you.

ALL And also with you!

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

JESUS THANK YOU

The myst'ry of the cross I cannot comprehend
The agonies of Calvary
You the perfect Holy One crushed Your Son
Who drank the bitter cup reserved for me

**Your blood has washed away my sin
Jesus, thank You
The Father's wrath completely satisfied
Jesus, thank You
Once Your enemy now seated at Your table
Jesus, thank You**

By Your perfect sacrifice I've been brought near
Your enemy You've made Your friend
Pouring out the riches of Your glorious grace
Your mercy and Your kindness know no end

Lover of my soul I want to live for You

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NewCity is led by a Session, a leadership body of ruling and teaching elders. They lead the family in prayers of adoration, confession, thanksgiving, and supplication.

ELDER PRAYER

Because the Bible is God's inspired, infallible, and authoritative word, we incline our hearts to hear the reading of Scripture and the proclamation of the gospel with a resolve to obey our risen King.

SCRIPTURE READING*

MATTHEW 20:20-28

SERMON

AN AUDIENCE WITH CHRIST

The Lord's Supper is a sacrament instituted by God and to be shared only by baptized believers who are members in good standing of a local church.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-26

For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Having received
instruction and
blessing, we commit
to proclaim the hope
of eternal life and
pursue philanthropy.

SONG OF FAITH *

BEHOLD THE LAMB (COMMUNION HYMN)

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away
Slain for us and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith
Find forgiveness at the cross
So we share in this Bread of Life
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of peace
Around the table of the King

The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ
Torn for you eat and remember
The wounds that heal the death that brings us life
Paid the price to make us one
So we share in this Bread of Life
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love
Around the table of the King

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin
Shed for you drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in
To receive the life of God
So we share in this Bread of Life
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of grace
Around the table of the King

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise
To respond and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As His body here on earth
As we share in His suffering
We proclaim Christ will come again
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King
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We give glory to God
who is the source of
every blessing.

DOXOLOGY*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heav'nly host
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost
Amen

Finally, as God
initiated the dialogue
of worship, so now he
concludes our time
together by sending us
out with a word of
blessing so that we
might be a blessing
to all.

BENEDICTION*

ADAPTED FROM PHILIPPIANS 3:20-21

LEADER Our citizenship is in heaven and the Lord Jesus Christ will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him to subject all things to himself.

ALL Amen. Thanks be to God!