

ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP of GOD

May 10, 2015



Preparation for Worship

As you enter the Sanctuary, please prepare your heart for worship and silence your mobile devices.

Woman, behold your son ... Disciple, behold your mother. *John* 19:26-27

Prayer of Preparation

O blessed Savior, in Your hour of greatest suffering
You expressed compassion for Your mother
and made arrangements for her care.
Enable those of us who profess allegiance to You
to worship You in such a way that we are galvanized
to follow Your example of showing love and compassion
to our mothers this day as well as caring for others
who are burdened with fears and anxieties.
Empower us to reach out and provide
for those who suffer in our family of faith.
Hear our prayer for your mercy's sake. Amen.

BLESS HIS NAME

BRASS AND ORGAN PRELUDE: "Festive Prelude"................... David Evan Thomas

Samuel Metzger, Organist
CHORAL INTROIT: "Praise the Everlasting King" arr. Duane Funderburk
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!
The Chancel Choir, Youth Choir, and Children's Choirs
CALL TO WORSHIP
HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 53 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" LOBE DEN HERREN
PSALTER LESSON: Psalm 103:1, 2, 8-13

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever.

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

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.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

RECEIVE HIS MERCY

A LITANY OF CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty and merciful Father, we confess that we have sinned against all of Your holy commandments.

Lord, have mercy!

We have erected idols in our hearts, and have bowed down and served them.

Lord, have mercy!

We have not shown our families all the love, consideration and respect that we can.

Lord, have mercy!

We have not respected life, but have murdered in our hearts, venting our anger against others whom we are to love.

Lord, have mercy!

We have given harbor to lustful desires in our minds and have been led astray from your pattern for relationships.

Christ, have mercy!

We have not spoken with complete honesty and have not kept our promises.

Christ, have mercy!

We have coveted the possessions of others and have not lived contentedly.

Christ, have mercy!

We come pleading Your forgiveness because we know:

That where sin abounds, grace abounds even more, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

♦HYMN OF CHRIST'S REIGN: "At the Name of Jesus"KING'S WESTON 1. At the of Je ev' - ry knee shall name sus bow, 2. At his sprang at once voice tion to sight: cre a 3. Hum - bled for a sea son, to re-ceive a name 4. In your hearts en throne him; there let him sub due glo ev' - ry tongue fess him King of con ry now: gel all the of the an fa ces, hosts light, from the lips of sin ners, un - to whom he came; all that that is not ho all not true. ly, is 'tis the Fa - ther's plea sure we should call him Lord, tions, way, thrones and dom - i stars up - on their na he it spot - less faith - ful - ly bore to the last, to him, your Sa vior, in temp - ta tions' hour; who from the be gin - ning was the migh ty Word. all the heav'n - ly or - ders in their great ar ray. vic - to - rious when from death brought it back he passed; let his will en - fold in its light and pow'r. you PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS......Gerry A. Peak OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Let the People Praise Thee" Allen Pote text from Psalm 67 Let all the people praise Thee, O God. Let all the people sing for joy and magnify Thy name. Let the people praise with thanksgiving. O God, be gracious and make Thy face to shine on us, So that the world may know Thy ways. Let the people be glad, and sing for joy, and praise Thee, For Thou, O God, has blessed us. We will give Thee thanks, O God. We will sing with joyful song. We will rejoice in Thy name forever, For Thy love is for all generations. Brothers, this Lord Jesus shall return again, With His Father's glory, with His angel train; For all wreaths of empire meet upon His brow, And our hearts confess Him King of glory now.

†PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

†GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15) Andrew E. Keasling

A PRAYER FOR OUR MOTHERS

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

HEED HIS TRUTH

All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field;

The grass withers, the flower fades, but the Word of our God will stand forever. Amen. (Isaiah 40:6b, 8)

SERMON The True Jesus Sanders L. Willson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

†HYMN OF CHRIST'S EXULTATION:

stanzas 1, 3, 5 & 6

†BENEDICTION

†CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Toccata on "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" Richard Elliott

♦ Indicates congregation standing

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The mass choir leading our worship this morning is comprised of our Chancel Choir, directed by Gabe Statom; our Youth Choir, directed by Ginger Statom, and our Children's Choirs, directed by Terri Theil.