

**PURSUE A
GOOD AND
GOD-
PLEASING
LIFE—
PRAY!**



The Order of Worship
(We will follow the Common Service which is also printed
on page 15 in the front section of the Hymnal)

Pre-Service Music

Opening Hymn

“Every Morning Mercies New”
Christian Worship 580

The Invocation

P: In the name of the Triune God: God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Holy Spirit.



C: A — men!

The Confession of Sins

P: Dearly loved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart and
confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our
Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness;

**C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature
sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words
and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is
good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in
eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my
Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**



C: Lord, have mer—cy on us. Christ, have mer—cy



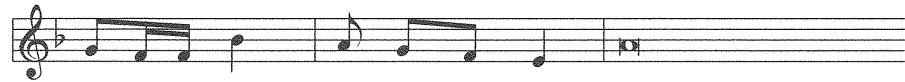
on us. Lord, have mer — cy on us.

Absolution

God's Forgiveness Proclaimed

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

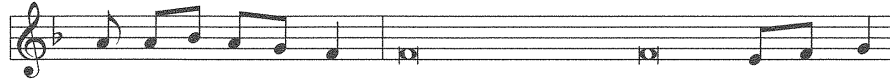




sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of



God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on-ly are holy;



you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Spirit,



are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Prayer for the Day

P: The Lord be with you.



C: And al— so with you.

P: O gracious Lord, because of your undeserved love you give us the invitation to pray. May we do so with full confidence, with complete faithfulness, and with unshakable devotion. You want us to pray, and you assure us you will answer all our prayers for our good. With Jesus as our Advocate and Mediator, we have every confidence of your grace and blessing. We also have every reason to receive the gifts you give with thanksgiving and praise. Bless us through the time we spend in prayer. Strengthen our faith to pray daily and often. Receive our prayers before your heavenly throne, just as you will receive us through faith in Jesus. Hear us to the glory of precious name, O Lord—Father, Son and Spirit—for you are the source of grace and every blessing.



C: A — men!

The Lessons from God's Word *"In All Things Pray without Ceasing!"*

Old Testament

Genesis 18:20–32

²⁰So the LORD said, "Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very flagrant, ²¹I will go down now and see if what they have done is as bad as the outcry that has come to me. If not, I will know."

²²The two men turned from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham remained standing before the LORD. ²³Abraham approached him and said, "Will you really sweep away the righteous along with the wicked? ²⁴What if there are fifty righteous people in the city? Will you really sweep them away and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous who are in it? ²⁵You would never do such a thing, killing the righteous along with the wicked, treating the righteous the same as the wicked. You would never do such a thing. The Judge of all the earth should do right, shouldn't he?"

²⁶The LORD said, "If I find fifty righteous people within the city of Sodom, then I will spare the entire place for their sake."

²⁷Abraham answered, "See now, I who am but dust and ashes have taken it on myself to speak to my Lord. ²⁸What if there are five fewer than fifty righteous? Will you destroy the entire city if the number is five short?"

He said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there."

²⁹He spoke to him yet again and said, "What if only forty are found there?"

He said, "I will not do it for the sake of the forty."

³⁰He said, "Please, do not be angry, my Lord, but I will speak again. What if thirty are found there?"

He said, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there."

³¹He said, "See now, I have taken it upon myself to speak to

my Lord. What if there are twenty found there?”

He said, “I will not destroy it for the sake of the twenty.”

³²He said, “Please, do not be angry, my Lord, but I will speak just once more. What if ten are found there?”

He said, “I will not destroy it for the sake of the ten

Responsive Reading of Psalm 138

P: I will thank you with all my heart.

C: **I will bow down toward your holy temple.**

P: I will give thanks to your name because of your mercy and because of your truth.

C: **Yes, you made your word even greater than your name.**

P: By day I called, and you answered me. You have made my soul strong.

C: **All the kings of the earth will thank you, LORD, when they have heard the message from your mouth.**

P: Then they will sing about the ways of the LORD, because the glory of the LORD is great.

C: **Indeed the LORD is exalted, but he sees the lowly, and he recognizes the proud from a distance.**

P: If I walk surrounded by danger, you keep me alive in spite of the anger of my enemies.

C: **You stretch out your hand. You save me with your right hand.**

P: The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me.

LORD, your mercy endures forever.

C: **Do not let go of the works of your hands.**

Epistle

1 Timothy 2:1–7

¹First of all, then, I urge that petitions, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, ²for kings and all those who are in authority, in order that we might live a quiet and peaceful life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is good and pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who wants all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is

one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶who gave himself as a ransom for all, the testimony given at the proper time. ⁷For this testimony, I was appointed a herald and an apostle—I speak the truth; I am not lying—a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Verse of the Day

P: My soul rests quietly in God alone, for my hope comes from him. He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress. I will not be disturbed. My salvation and my honor depend on God, my strong rock. My refuge is in God. Trust in him at all times, you people. Pour out your hearts before him. God is a refuge for us.

Alleluia!



C: Al - le - lu — ia! Al - le - lu — ia! Al - le - lu — ia!

Gospel

P: The Gospel is recorded in the eleventh chapter of Luke, reading from the first verse.



C: Glo-ry be to you, O Lord!

¹On another occasion, Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, just as John also taught his disciples.”

²He said to them, “When you pray, say, ‘Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. ³Give us each day our daily bread. ⁴Forgive us our sins, as we also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.’”

⁵He said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and tell him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, ⁶because a friend of mine who is on a journey has come to me, and I do not have anything to set before him.’ ⁷And the one inside replies, ‘Don’t bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can’t get up and give it to you.’ ⁸I tell you, even if he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his bold persistence, he will get up and give him as much as he needs.

⁹“I tell you, keep asking, and it will be given to you. Keep seeking, and you will find. Keep knocking, and it will be opened to you. ¹⁰For everyone who asks receives. The one who seeks finds. And to the one who knocks, it will be opened.

¹¹“What father among you, if your son asks for bread, would give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, would give him a snake instead of a fish? ¹²Or if he asks for an egg, would give him a scorpion? ¹³If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?”

P: This is the Word of our Lord—our reason to pray and our confidence in God’s answer.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

The Confession of Faith

(we unite in the words of the Nicene Creed)

**C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,**

true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and became fully human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance
with the Scriptures;
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and
the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is
worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen!

Hymn of the Day

“Come, My Soul, with Every Care”
Christian Worship 409

Sermon

1 Timothy 2:1-7

“Pursue a Good and God-Pleasing Life!”

Pray for all people
Pray through Christ

Create in Me

Psalm 51

C: Cre- ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-
new a right spir- it with- in me. Cast me not a-
way from your pres- ence, and take not your Ho- ly Spir- it
from me. Re- store un- to me the joy of your sal- va -
tion, and up- hold me with your free Spir- it. A- men.

Thanksgiving and Prayer

Prayer for the Lord's Blessing

Special Prayers and Exhortations

Prater for those receiving the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Prayer: *(spoken with the pastor)*

C: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory
are yours now and forever. Amen.**

Hymn of Preparation “Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared”
Christian Worship 312 st. 1 & 7

1. Lord Jesus Christ, you have prepared
This feast for our salvation;
It is your body and your blood,
And at your invitation
As weary souls, with sin oppressed,
We come to you for needed rest,
For comfort and for pardon.
7. Great that we worthily receive
Your supper, Lord, our Savior,
And, truly grieving for our sins,
May prove by our behavior
That we are thankful for your grace
And day by day may run our race,
In holiness increasing.



The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

P: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

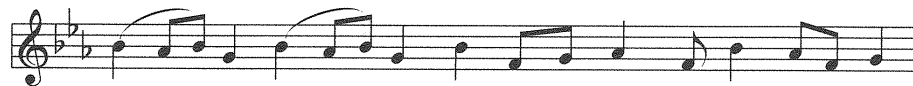


C: It is good and right so to do.

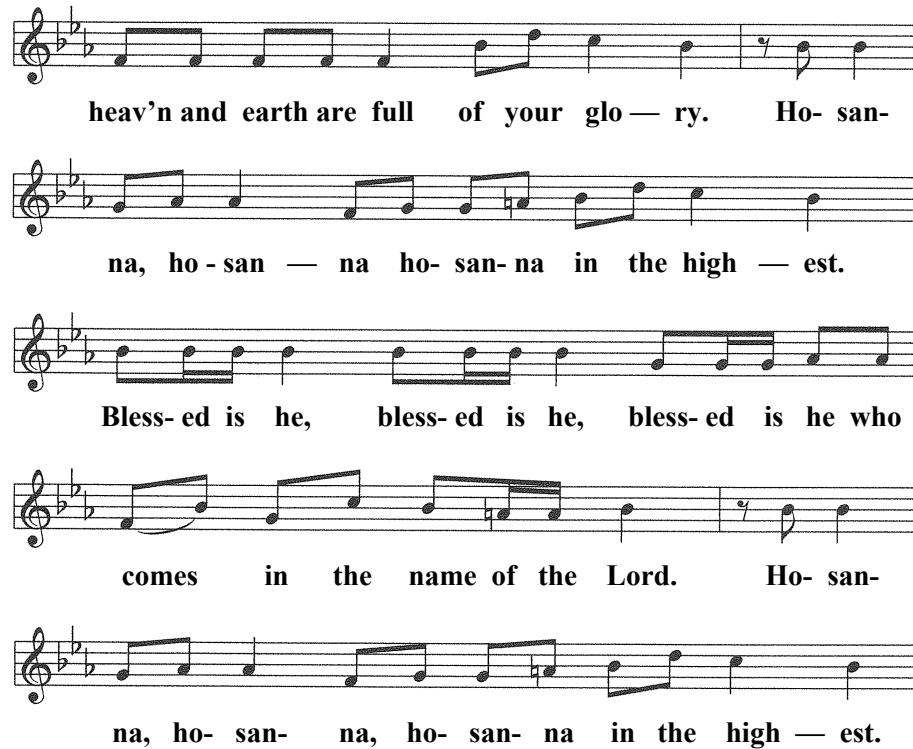
P: It is truly good and right that we should at times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, Almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Savior, and we especially praise you for the gift of your undeserved love through your precious Son who gives us the invitation to pray for all things and for all people. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song.

Holy, Holy, Holy

The Sanctus



C: Ho — ly, ho — ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav- en- ly hosts;



heav'n and earth are full of your glo — ry. Ho- san-
na, ho - san — na ho- san- na in the high — est.
Bless- ed is he, bless- ed is he, bless- ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho- san-
na, ho- san- na, ho- san- na in the high — est.

Words of Institution

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C: A — — — men.

O Christ, Lamb of God

Agnus Dei

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;

have mer-cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,

you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;

grant us your peace. A men.

(The congregation may be seated)

The Lord's Supper is a Sacrament through which Christ our Savior strengthens our faith and forgives our sins. In it we receive His actual body and blood, as we receive the bread and the wine. *If you have not communed with us before, or if you are not familiar with our procedure, please do not come to the Lord's Table today.* We also encourage you to speak with our pastor following the service. He will be happy to share with you the necessary preparations to receive our Savior's body and blood in a future service.

Our request comes out of love for you and concern for your spiritual well-being, so that you can receive the blessing our Lord wants you to receive.

Thanksgiving

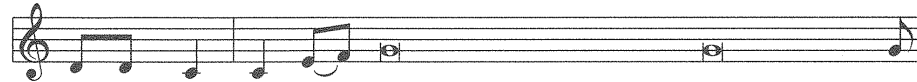
Song of Simeon

Nunc Dimittus

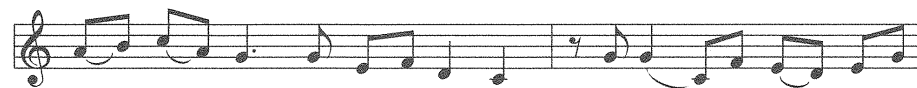
(the congregation will rise and sing)



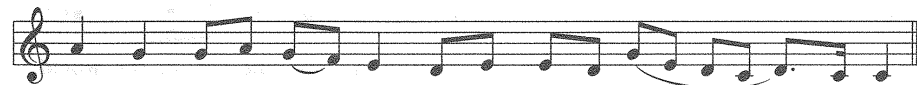
C: Lord, now you let you servant de- part in peace ac- cord- ing



to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-

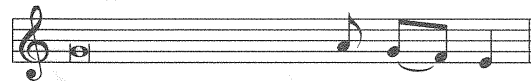


pared be — fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the



Gen-tiles and the glo — ry of your peo- ple Is — ra - el.

P: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

Closing Prayer

P: O God our Father, you are the source of all that is good. In your loving kindness you sent Jesus to become the faithful servant of all. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us, but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit to serve you willingly, faithfully, and joyfully day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and

the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A ——— men!

The Benediction

P: Brothers and sisters, aim for perfection, listen to God's Word, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and compassion will be with you.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



C: A— men. A— men. A — men.

Closing Hymn

“Christians While on Earth Abiding”
Christian Worship 408

Silent Prayer

Announcements

Today - *Welcome in our gracious Savior's Name!* Words can never express the great thanks our Lord deserves for giving us the invitation to pray, and the assurance he will always answer us for our good. We can only praise him in humble obedience and unselfish faithfulness. If you are visiting us this morning, please sign our guest book, and visit us again—soon!

- Everyone is invited to stay after the service to enjoy a cup of coffee and the gift of fellowship.
- Christian Education will follow the service and consider the prayer Jesus taught his disciples to pray. It remains for us, the Lord's Prayer, and the perfect prayer.

Wednesday—Although there is no “formal” Bible Study this week, do not forget to study the Scriptures. Take a moment from your busy schedules to sit as Jesus’ feet and learn from him.

Friday—Office hours from 10:30—2:30 pm

Saturday—Clean: Everson

- Mowing starting the week of July 24th—J. Schueler

Sunday, July 31st—In-person Worship and Live-streaming at 9:30 am. In the Book of Ecclesiastes, Solomon teaches what truly has meaning and what is vaporous. It is as simple as recognizing what the Lord gives in love, and what the world offers.

- Christian Education will follow the service and will focus on Paul’s letter to the Christians in Colosse. He makes two critical exhortations: to put to death whatever is worldly; and to set your minds on what is God-pleasing.

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