

For all who
exalt themselves
will be humbled,

Luke 14:11, NRSV

and those who
humble themselves
will be exalted.

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

“O Splendor of God’s Glory Bright”
Christian Worship 586

The Invocation

P: In the name of 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

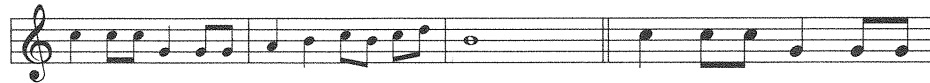
God's Forgiveness Proclaimed

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.



C: A — men!

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



C: Glo - ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and



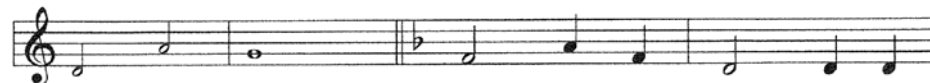
Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



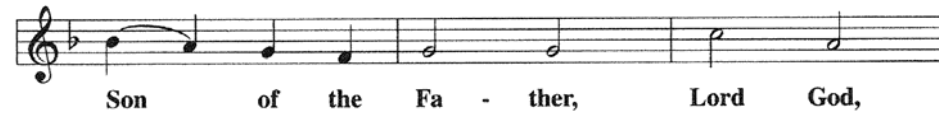
praise you for your glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the



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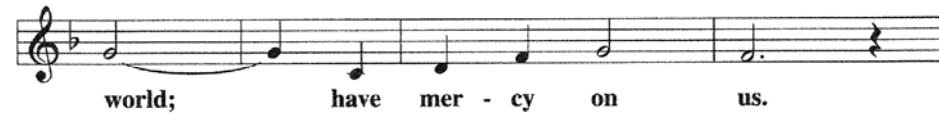
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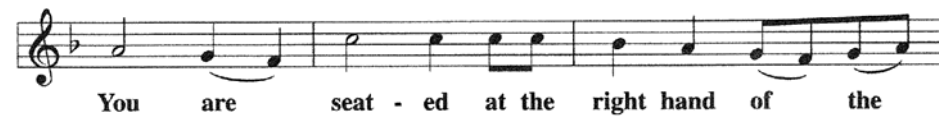
Son of the Father, Lord God,



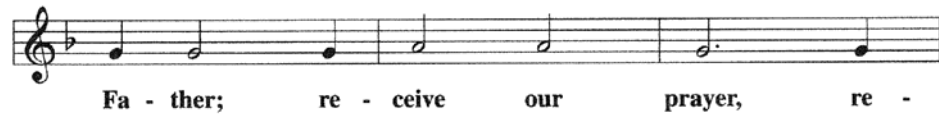
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the



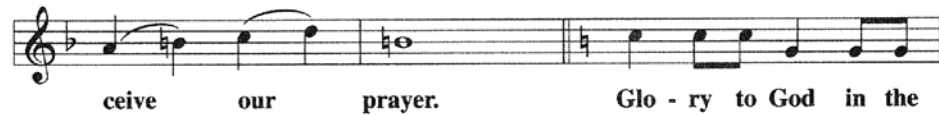
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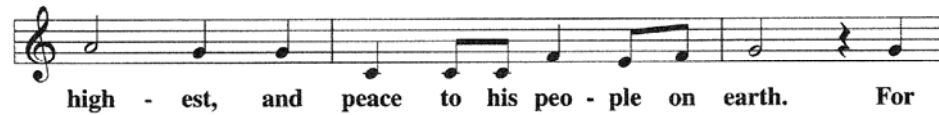
You are seated at the right hand of the



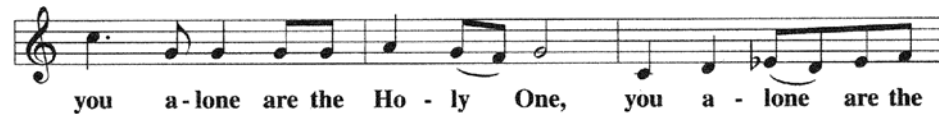
Father; receive our prayer, re -



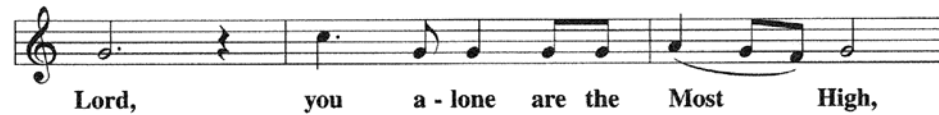
ceive our prayer. Glo - ry to God in the



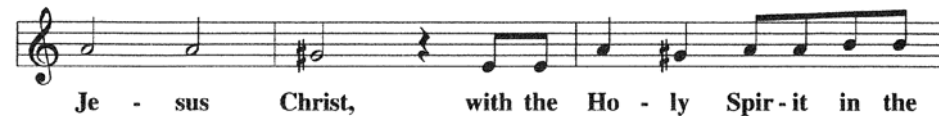
high - est, and peace to his people on earth. For



you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the



Lord, you alone are the Most High,



Je - sus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the

glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. Glo - ry to God in the
 high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.
 Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God!

Prayer for the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And al— so with you.

P: O gracious Lord, King and Judge over all. We know we will have to stand before you and you will judge us. You will examine our thoughts, our words, and our actions. If these do not measure up to your standard, we will not be able to stand in your presence. Therefore, humble us through the preaching of the Law. Remove any sinful pride from our hearts. Then give us the faith we need to take hold of Jesus. As we confess his life, his death, and his resurrection, give us the assurance you will forgive us and glorify us. As we live in this world waiting for the life to come in heaven, strengthen us, refresh us, renew us—all to the glory of your blessed name—Father, Son and Spirit—our one True and Triune God.

C: A — men!

The Lessons from God's Word
*"For the LORD is pleased with his people.
He adorns the humble with salvation."*

Old Testament

Proverbs 25:6-7a

⁶Do not honor yourself in a king's presence.
Do not stand in a place reserved for great people,
⁷because it is better to be told, "Come up here,"
than for you to be humiliated before a ruler.

Psalm for the Day

Psalm 112

¹Praise the LORD.
How blessed is a man who fears the LORD.
In his commands he delights greatly.
²His descendants will be mighty in the land.
The circle of the upright will be blessed.
³Wealth and riches are in his house,
and his righteousness stands forever.
⁴In darkness, light dawns for the upright.
He is gracious and compassionate and righteous.

Congregation responds

"One Thing's Needful"
Christian Worship 290 st. 3

Wisdom's highest, noblest treasure,
Jesus, can be found in you.
Let me find in you my my pleasure;
Make my will and actions true,
Humility there and simplicity reigning,
In paths of true wisdom my steps ever training.
If I learn from Jesus this knowledge divine,
The blessing of heavenly wisdom is mine.

⁶Surely he will never fall.
The righteous will be remembered forever.
⁷He will not fear bad news.

His heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

⁸ His heart is secure.

He will have no fear, until he looks in triumph on his foes.

⁹ His righteousness stands forever.

Epistle

James 2:1–13

¹My brothers, have faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ without showing favoritism. ²For example, suppose a man enters your worship assembly wearing gold rings and fine clothing, and a poor man also enters wearing filthy clothing. ³If you look with favor on the man wearing fine clothing and say, “Sit here in this good place,” but you tell the poor man, “Stand over there” or “Sit down here at my feet,” ⁴have you not made a distinction among yourselves and become judges with evil opinions? ⁵Listen, my dear brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom, which he promised to those who love him? ⁶But you dishonored the poor man. Don’t the rich oppress you, and don’t they drag you into court? ⁷Aren’t they the ones who blaspheme the noble name that was pronounced over you? ⁸However, if you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing well. ⁹But if you show favoritism, you are committing a sin, since you are convicted by this law as transgressors.

¹⁰In fact, whoever keeps the whole law but stumbles in one point has become guilty of breaking all of it. ¹¹For the one who said, “Do not commit adultery,” also said, “Do not commit murder.” Now if you do not commit adultery, but you do commit murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. ¹²So speak and act as those who are going to be judged by the law of freedom. ¹³For there will be judgment without mercy on the one who has not shown mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment.

Verse of the Day

P: Therefore humble yourselves under God’s powerful hand so

that he may lift you up at the appointed time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Have sound judgment. Be alert. Your adversary, the Devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour. Resist him by being firm in the faith.

Alleluia!



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

The Gospel

P: The “Good News” about our Savior is recorded in the fourteenth chapter of Luke, reading from the seven verse.



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

One Sabbath day, when Jesus went into the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat bread, they were watching him closely.

⁷When he noticed how they were selecting the places of honor, he told the invited guests a parable. ⁸“When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline in the place of honor, or perhaps someone more distinguished than you may have been invited by him. ⁹The one who invited both of you may come and tell you, ‘Give this man your place.’ Then you will begin, with shame, to take the lowest place.

¹⁰“But when you are invited, go and recline in the lowest place, so that when the one who invited you comes, he will tell you, ‘Friend, move up to a higher place.’ Then you will have honor in the presence of all who are reclining at the table with you.

¹¹“Yes, everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.”

¹²He also said to the one who had invited him, “When you make a dinner or a supper, do not invite your friends, or your brothers, or your relatives, or rich neighbors, so that perhaps they may also return the favor and pay you back.

¹³“But when you make a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, ¹⁴and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. Certainly, you will be repaid in the resurrection of the righteous.”

P: This is the Word of our God.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

The Confession of Faith

(We unite in the words of the Apostles Creed)

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

**He ascended into heaven and is seated
at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church—the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Hymn of the Day

“Jesus! and Shall It Ever Be”
Christian Worship 347

Sermon

Proverbs 25:6-7

“Glorification or Humiliation”

What humbles me before the Lord?
What glorifies me before the Lord?

“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

Prayers for the Lord's Blessing

Special Prayers and Requests

The Lord's Prayer

**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

“My Hope is Built on Nothing Less”
Christian Worship 382

Closing Prayer

P: O gracious Lord of Glory, we humbly come before you because we know our sinfulness makes it impossible to stand in your presence. We also rejoice because in your undeserved love you forgave our sins and clothed us in the righteousness Jesus secured for us. Send us your Holy Spirit so that we humbly walk before you, always confessing our sins and seeking your grace. Give us the assurance to know that through you we will be able to stand before you on the Last Day. Throughout this life, be with us. Comfort us. Strengthen us until we enter the glorious mansions of heaven. There we will praise you—Father, Son and Spirit—for your divine goodness, your unfailing compassion, and your greater glory.



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 upon 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

“When All Your Mercies, O My God”

Christian Worship 259

Silent Prayer

Announcements

Today—*Welcome in our Savior's blessed Savior's name!* What a privilege it is to know he faithfully endured our humiliation and shame to glorify us before his Father. It is because of his undeserved love that we live for him in righteousness, innocence, and humility. If you are visiting this morning, please sign the guest book, and come again—soon!

- Everyone is invited to stay after the service for some refreshments and a cup of coffee.
- There will be no Bible Class this morning because of the Beach, Bike, Barbeque. Remember, we meet at Goleta Beach, Group Area C at 12:00 noon.

Monday—The ladies will gather at 1:30 pm to make greeting cards as a gift for the ladies at the LWMS Fall Rally. If you have any questions, please speak with Sonja Todd.

This Week—While this week may be quiet, there is still work going on behind the scenes. One project which is moving forward is the renovation of the men's bathroom. It is being

converted to a handicapped accessible space. This will serve us well now, and for the future.

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

Saturday—Church Cleaning: Martin

- Lawn beginning September 4th—Justin Schroeder

Sunday, September 4th—In person worship and live-streaming at 9:30 am. Paul shared a special relationship with the Christians in Philippi. That relationship led him to say something which is not readily acceptable, except through faith and the strength Jesus provides—“You will do even more than I ask.”

- The Lord’s Supper will be offered in this service. You may register to receive it today.
- Christian Education will be offered following the service. Every day we face an important choice which also has eternal consequences. Do I serve the Lord, or do I reject his ways? Moses explains the choice and the power to make the right choice.

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