

# *Soli Deo Gloria*

*To God Alone be the Glory*



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# Order of Worship

## Call to Worship & Prayer of Praise

*Psalm 1*

Blessed is the man  
who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,  
nor stands in the way of sinners,  
nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

**But his delight is in the law of the LORD,  
and on his law he meditates day and night.**

He is like a tree  
planted by streams of water  
that yields its fruit in its season,  
and its leaf does not wither.  
In all that he does, he prospers.

**The wicked are not so,  
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.**

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,  
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

**For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked will perish.**

## Hymns of Praise

### **HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION** (*Hymn #456*)

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!  
What more can He say than to you He hath said,  
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed,  
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;  
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When thro' fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,  
My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;  
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design  
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose  
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;  
That soul, tho' all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake!"

## **BE THOU MY VISION** (*Hymn #83*)

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be alleles to me, save that Thou art  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son, Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou my inheritance, now and always;  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

## **Scripture Reading**

### **ACTS 20:17-38**

<sup>17</sup> Now from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. <sup>18</sup> And when they came to him, he said to them:

“You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, <sup>19</sup> serving the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; <sup>20</sup> how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, <sup>21</sup> testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>22</sup> And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, <sup>23</sup> except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. <sup>24</sup> But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. <sup>25</sup> And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. <sup>26</sup> Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all, <sup>27</sup> for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. <sup>28</sup> Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. <sup>29</sup> I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; <sup>30</sup> and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. <sup>31</sup> Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish every one with tears. <sup>32</sup> And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. <sup>33</sup> I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. <sup>34</sup> You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. <sup>35</sup> In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’”

<sup>36</sup> And when he had said these things, he knelt down and prayed with them all.

<sup>37</sup> And there was much weeping on the part of all; they embraced Paul and kissed him, <sup>38</sup> being sorrowful most of all because of the word he had spoken, that they would not see his face again. And they accompanied him to the ship.

## Hymn of Reflection

### **SPEAK, O LORD** (*Hymn #432*)

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You To receive the food of your holy word.  
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,  
That the light of Christ might be seen today In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.  
Speak, O Lord, and fulfil in us All Your purposes, for Your glory.

Teach us Lord full obedience, Holy reverence, true humility.  
Test our thoughts and our attitudes In the radiance of Your purity.  
Cause our faith to rise Cause our eyes to see, Your majestic love and authority.  
Words of power that can never fail; Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time, That will echo down through eternity.  
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises; and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us  
Speak, O Lord, 'til your church is built And the earth is filled with Your glory.

## Scripture Readings

### **EPHESIANS 2:1-10**

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup>in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— <sup>3</sup>among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. <sup>4</sup>But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup>even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— <sup>6</sup>and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup>so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup>not a result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup>For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

### **2 PETER 3:14-18**

<sup>14</sup>Therefore, beloved, since you are waiting for these, be diligent to be found by him without spot or blemish, and at peace. <sup>15</sup>And count the patience of our Lord as salvation, just as our beloved brother Paul also wrote to you according to the wisdom given him, <sup>16</sup>as he does in all his letters when he speaks in them of these matters. There are some things in them that are hard to understand, which the ignorant and unstable twist to their own destruction, as they do the other Scriptures. <sup>17</sup>You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, take care that you are not carried away with the error of lawless people and lose your own stability. <sup>18</sup>But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.

## Sermon

## “Our Beloved Brother Paul”

### I. WHAT PETER WROTE ABOUT PAUL

#### A. Paul wrote with *Apostolic Authority*

- Fully A\_\_\_\_\_ by Peter (Gal. 2:1-10)
- According to the W\_\_\_\_\_ G\_\_\_\_\_ him (Gal. 1:12)
- Qualifying as S\_\_\_\_\_ (2 Pet. 1:19-21)

#### B. Some of Paul’s Writings...

- ...are H\_\_\_\_\_ to U\_\_\_\_\_

### II. WHAT PAUL WROTE TO CHRISTIANS

#### A. Paul’s Writings on Salvation (Eph. 2:1-10)

- God’s W\_\_\_\_\_ against S\_\_\_\_\_ (2:1-3)
- God’s G\_\_\_\_\_ in C\_\_\_\_\_ (2:4-7)
- God’s G\_\_\_\_\_ of F\_\_\_\_\_ (2:8-9)
- God’s P\_\_\_\_\_ for G\_\_\_\_\_ W\_\_\_\_\_ (2:10)

#### B. How Paul’s Writings have been Twisted (By No Means!)

- Does God’s Patience mean we can S\_\_\_\_\_ F\_\_\_\_\_?  
(Romans 3:21; 6:1)
- *By no Means!*  
God’s Patience means we can R\_\_\_\_\_ and be S\_\_\_\_\_!  
(Rom. 2:4; 2 Pet. 3:9,15)

### III. WHAT CHRISTIANS DO WITH PAUL’S WRITINGS

#### A. A Word of Warning

- Ignore the I\_\_\_\_\_ and U\_\_\_\_\_

#### B. A Word of Encouragement

- L\_\_\_\_\_ and L\_\_\_\_\_ from our Apostle

## **JESUS, KEEP ME NEAR THE CROSS (Hymn #233)**

Jesus, keep me near the cross; There a precious fountain,  
Free to all, a healing stream, Flows from Calvary's mountain.  
In the cross, in the cross, Be my glory ever,  
Till my raptured soul shall find Rest beyond the river.

Near the cross, a trembling soul, Love and mercy found me;  
There the bright and morning star Sheds its beams around me.  
In the cross, in the cross, Be my glory ever,  
Till my raptured soul shall find Rest beyond the river.

Near the cross! O Lamb of God, Bring its scenes before me;  
Help me walk from day to day With its shadow o'er me.  
In the cross, in the cross, Be my glory ever,  
Till my raptured soul shall find Rest beyond the river.

Near the cross I'll watch and wait, Hoping, trusting ever,  
Till I reach the golden strand Just beyond the river.  
In the cross, in the cross, Be my glory ever,  
Till my raptured soul shall find Rest beyond the river.

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## **Doxology & Dedication of Tithes and Offerings**

### **The Apostle's Creed**

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

And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit  
born of the virgin Mary.  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven and sits 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.

## **The MSBC Church Covenant**

In the presence of God and of men, confessing Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior, and relying on the help of the Holy Spirit, we joyfully and solemnly covenant with each other:

- Habitually to observe secret prayer
- Devoutly to study the Scriptures and teach them to our children
- Heartily to sustain the work and worship of the Church
- Faithfully to observe the ordinance of the Lord's Supper
- To walk together in brotherly love and exercise a Christian care and watchfulness over one another
- To aid as God shall prosper us in supporting a faithful ministry
- To seek as we have opportunity to lead others to Jesus Christ
- To live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world, abstaining from whatever is unbecoming the Christian profession

## **Preparing Our Hearts**

## **Receiving the Bread and Cup**

## **Closing Hymn**

### **THERE IS A REDEEMER** (*Hymn #279*)

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son,  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

*Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son;  
And leaving Your Spirit til the work on earth is done.*

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names,  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinners slain.

When I stand in glory I will see His face,  
And there I'll serve my King forever, in that holy place.

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## **Benediction**