

# *Soli Deo Gloria*

*To God Alone be the Glory*



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# Order of Worship

## Call to Worship & Prayer of Praise

*Psalm 103:1-13*

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**  
who forgives all your iniquity,

**who heals all your diseases,**  
who redeems your life from the pit,

**who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**  
who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

**The LORD works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed.**  
He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.

**The LORD is merciful & 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.**

## Hymns of Praise

**JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE** (*Hymn #13*)

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee, earth and heaven reflect Thy rays.  
Stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in Thee!

Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blessed,  
Wellspring of the joy of living, Ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother, All who live in love are Thine;  
Teach us how to love each other, Lift us to the joy divine.

## **AND CAN IT BE** (*Hymn #250*)

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood?  
Died He for me, who caused His pain—For me, who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be, That Thou, my God, should die for me?  
*Amazing love! How can it be, That Thou, my God, should die for me?*

He left His Father's throne above—So free, so infinite His grace—  
Emptied Himself of all but love, And bled for Adam's helpless race:  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free, For, O my God, it found out me!  
*Amazing love! How can it be, That Thou, my God, should die for me?*

Long my imprisoned spirit lay, Fast bound in sin and nature's night;  
Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray—I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;  
My chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.  
*Amazing love! How can it be, That Thou, my God, should die for me?*

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him, is mine;  
Alive in Him, my living Head, And clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach th' eternal throne, And claim the crown, through Christ my own.  
*Amazing love! How can it be, That Thou, my God, should die for me?*

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## **Scripture Reading**

### *1 Corinthians 13:1-13*

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup> And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup> If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup> Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant <sup>5</sup> or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup> it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. <sup>7</sup> Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

<sup>8</sup> Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. <sup>9</sup> For we know in part and we prophesy in part, <sup>10</sup> but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. <sup>11</sup> When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. <sup>12</sup> For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

<sup>13</sup> So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

## **Prayer of Confession**

## Hymn of Reflection

### **HIS MERCY IS MORE** (*Matt Papa*)

1. What love could remember, no wrongs we have done  
Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not their sum  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

*Praise the Lord. His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness, New every morn'  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more*

2. What patience would wait as we constantly roam  
What Father so tender is calling us home  
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more
3. What riches of kindness He lavished on us  
His blood was the payment His life was the cost  
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

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## Scripture Readings

### **HEBREWS 13:8-16**

<sup>8</sup> Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. <sup>9</sup> Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings, for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited those devoted to them. <sup>10</sup> We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. <sup>11</sup> For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy places by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. <sup>12</sup> So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. <sup>13</sup> Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured. <sup>14</sup> For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. <sup>15</sup> Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. <sup>16</sup> Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

### **1 JOHN 4:7-21**

<sup>7</sup> Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. <sup>8</sup> Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. <sup>9</sup> In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. <sup>10</sup> In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. <sup>11</sup> Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. <sup>12</sup> No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

<sup>13</sup> By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. <sup>14</sup> And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. <sup>15</sup> Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. <sup>16</sup> So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. <sup>17</sup> By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world. <sup>18</sup> There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. <sup>19</sup> We love because he first loved us. <sup>20</sup> If anyone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. <sup>21</sup> And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

## Sermon

## “Christian Teaching on Love”

### I. WHAT IS LOVE? (1 Corinthians 13)

#### A. A Definition of Love

- An A\_\_\_\_\_ of the H\_\_\_\_\_
- D\_\_\_\_\_ & A\_\_\_\_\_ for another

#### B. A Description of Love

- Love is P\_\_\_\_\_ and K\_\_\_\_\_
- The Greatest Love of All (John 15:13)

### II. THE LOVE OF GOD

#### A. How God the Father Loves His Son

- By G\_\_\_\_\_ Him All T\_\_\_\_\_ (Jn 3:35)
- Including H\_\_\_\_\_ by His S\_\_\_\_\_ (Mt.3:16-17)

#### B. How God the Father Loves Us (1 John 4:7-21)

- By S\_\_\_\_\_ His S\_\_\_\_\_ into the World
- By P\_\_\_\_\_ His S\_\_\_\_\_ into our Hearts

### III. THE LOVE OF THE CHRISTIAN (Hebrews 13:8-16)

#### A. The Source of Our Love (1 John 4:7-21)

- Not from F\_\_\_\_\_ our S\_\_\_\_\_ Hearts
- But from R\_\_\_\_\_ God's G\_\_\_\_\_

#### B. The Expression of Our Love (1 John 3:18)

- Not in W\_\_\_\_\_ and T\_\_\_\_\_
- But in D\_\_\_\_\_ and T\_\_\_\_\_

## Hymn of Response

### **BLEST BE THE TIE** (*Hymn #389*)

Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love;  
The fellowship of kindred minds Is like to that above.

Before the Father's throne We pour our ardent prayers;  
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our comforts and our cares.

We share our mutual woes, Our mutual burdens bear;  
And often for each other flows The sympathizing tear.

When we asunder part, It gives us inward pain;  
But we shall still be joined in heart, And hope to meet again.

## Prayers of the Church

### Doxology & Dedication of Tithes & Offerings

## Closing Hymn

### **O CHURCH, ARISE** (*Hymn #663*)

O church, arise and put your armor on; Hear the call of Christ our captain;  
For now the weak can say that they are strong - In the strength that God has given.  
With shield of faith and belt of truth, We'll stand against the devil's lies;  
An army bold whose battle cry is "Love!" Reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul, But to rage against the captor;  
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole, We will fight with faith and valor.  
When faced with trials on ev'ry side, We know the outcome is secure,  
And Christ will have the prize for which He died— An inheritance of nations.

Come, see the cross where love and mercy meet, As the Son of God is stricken;  
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet, For the Conqueror has risen!  
And as the stone is rolled away, And Christ emerges from the grave,  
This vict'ry march continues till the day - Ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit, come, put strength in ev'ry stride, Give grace for ev'ry hurdle,  
That we may run with faith to win the prize - Of a servant good and faithful.  
As saints of old still line the way, Retelling triumphs of His grace,  
We hear their calls and hunger for the day, When, with Christ, we stand in glory.

## Benediction