

Soli Deo Gloria

To God Alone be the Glory



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Order of Worship

Call to Worship & Prayer of Praise

Psalm 82

God has taken his place in the divine council;
in the midst of the gods he holds judgment:

**“How long will you judge unjustly
and show partiality to the wicked?”**

Give justice to the weak and the fatherless;
maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute.

**Rescue the weak and the needy;
deliver them from the hand of the wicked.”**

They have neither knowledge nor understanding,
they walk about in darkness;

All the foundations of the earth are shaken.

I said, “You are gods,
sons of the Most High, all of you;
nevertheless, like men you shall die,
and fall like any prince.”

**Arise, O God, judge the earth;
for you shall inherit all the nations!**

Hymns of Praise

ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS’ NAME (*Hymn #314*)

All hail the pow’r of Jesus’ Name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel’s race, Ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him Who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe, On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all!

Oh, that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall!
We’ll join the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all!

YOU ARE MY ALL IN ALL (*Hymn #143*)

You are my strength when I am weak, You are the treasure that I seek, You are my all in all.
Seeking You as a precious jewel, Lord to give up I’d be a fool, You are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name. (2x)

Taking my sin, mycross, myshame, Rising again I bless Your name, You are my all in all.
When I fall down You pick me up, When I am dry You fill my cup, You are my all in all.

OT Scripture Readings

GENESIS 6:1-8

When man began to multiply on the face of the land and daughters were born to them, ²the sons of God saw that the daughters of man were attractive. And they took as their wives any they chose. ³Then the LORD said, "My Spirit shall not abide in man forever, for he is flesh: his days shall be 120 years." ⁴The Nephilim were on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of man and they bore children to them. These were the mighty men who were of old, the men of renown.

⁵The LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. ⁶And the LORD regretted that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart. ⁷So the LORD said, "I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens, for I am sorry that I have made them." ⁸But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD.

GENESIS 11:1-9

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ²And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth." ⁵And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. ⁶And the LORD said, "Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another's speech." ⁸So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth. And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

Prayer of Confession

Hymn of Response

THE POWER OF THE CROSS (Hymn #232)

Oh, to see the dawn Of the darkest day: Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men, Torn and beaten, then Nailed to a cross of wood.
*This, the power of the cross: Christ became sin for us,
Took the blame, bore the wrath: We stand forgiven at the cross.*

Oh, to see the pain Written on Your face Bearing the awesome weight of sin;
Every bitter thought, Every evil deed Crowning Your bloodstained brow.
*This, the power of the cross: Christ became sin for us,
Took the blame, bore the wrath: We stand forgiven at the cross.*

Now the daylight flees, Now the ground beneath Quakes as its Maker bows His head.
Curtain torn in two, Dead are raised to life; “Finished!” the victory cry.

*This, the power of the cross: Christ became sin for us,
Took the blame, bore the wrath: We stand forgiven at the cross.*

Oh, to see my name Written in the wounds, For through Your suffering I am free.
Death is crushed to death, Life is mine to live, Won through Your selfless love.

*This, the power of the cross: Son of God, slain for us.
What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross.*

NT Scripture Readings

ROMANS 8:28-39

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good¹ for those who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those whom he foreknew he also pre-destined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. ³⁰ And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹ What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³ Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

EPHESIANS 6:10-20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹ Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³ Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴ Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵ and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷ and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, ¹⁸ praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, ¹⁹ and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰ for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

Sermon

“Wrestling against the Rulers”

I. THE RULERS IN HEAVEN

A. The Created Rulers of Heaven

- The S _____ of G _____ (Gen. 6; Job 38:4-7)
- The D _____ C _____ (Ps 82; 1 Kg 22:19-22; Job 1)

B. The Corrupted Rulers of Heaven

- Those who F _____ to E _____... (Gen. 6:1-8)
- ...and took P _____ of the N _____ (Gen. 11; Dt 32:8-9, Dn. 10)

II. THE POWER AND LIMITS OF THE RULERS

A. The Rulers can...(Rev. 13; Rom 8)

- ...C _____ and O _____ their People
- ...P _____ and K _____ God’s People

B. The Rulers *can NOT*...(1 Cor 2; Col 2; Rom 8)

- ...K _____ God’s H _____ P _____
- ...C _____ us for our S _____
- ...S _____ us from God’s L _____

III. HOW WE WRESTLE AGAINST THE RULERS (Eph. 6:10-20)

A. By P _____ the T _____ (Eph. 1; Col. 1)

- That Jesus is the L _____ of L _____
- That Jesus is the S _____ of S _____

B. By P _____ for the S _____ (Eph. 3:14-19)

- For S _____, W _____ and C _____

Hymn of Response

STAND UP, STAND UP FOR JESUS (*Hymn #665*)

Stand up! stand up for Jesus! Ye soldiers of the cross;
Lift high His royal banner, It must not suffer loss:
From vict'ry unto vict'ry His army shall He lead,
Till every foe is vanquished And Christ is Lord indeed.

Stand up! stand up for Jesus! The trumpet call obey;
Forth to the mighty conflict In this His glorious day.
Ye that are men, now serve Him Against unnumbered foes;
Let courage rise with danger. And strength to strength oppose.

Stand up! stand up for Jesus! Stand in His strength alone;
The arm of flesh will fail you; Ye dare not trust your own.
Put on the Gospel armor, And, watching unto prayer,
Where duty calls, or danger, Be never wanting there.

Stand up! stand up for Jesus! The strife will not be long:
This day the noise of battle, The next the victor's song;
To him that overcometh A crown of life shall be;
He, with the King of glory, Shall reign eternally.

Prayers of the Church

Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

Closing Hymn

GOD OF GRACE AND GLORY (*HYMN #115*)

God of grace and God of glory, On Thy people pour Thy power;
Crown Thine ancient church's story, Bring her bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage
For the facing of this hour, For the facing of this hour.

Lo! The hosts of evil round us Scorn Thy Christ, assail His ways!
Fears and doubts too long have bound us, Free our hearts to work and praise.
Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage
For the living of these days, For the living of these days.

Cure Thy children's warring madness, Bend our pride to Thy control;
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, Rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage
Lest we miss Thy kingdom' goal. Lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places; Gird our lives that they may be
Armored with all Christ-like graces In the fight to set men free.
Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage
That we fail not man nor Thee. That we fail not man nor Thee.

Benediction