

# *Soli Deo Gloria*

*To God Alone be the Glory*



**10:00 am Worship**

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# Order of Worship

## Call to Worship & Prayer of Praise

*Ps. 95:3; 96:4, 99:2, 145:8, 147:5*

The LORD is a great God.

**A great King above all gods.**

The LORD is great and is highly praised;

**He is feared above all gods.**

The LORD is great in Zion.

**He is exalted above all the peoples.**

The LORD is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and great in faithful love.

**Our Lord is great, vast in power; His understanding is infinite.**

Great is the Lord!

**Great is the Lord!**

Great is the Lord!

## Hymns of Praise

**GREAT IS THE LORD** (*Hymn #61*)

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just;

By His power we trust in His love.

Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true;

By His mercy He proves He is love.

Great is the Lord and worthy of glory!

Great is the Lord and worthy of praise.

Great is the Lord; now lift up your voice,

Now lift up your voice: Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just;

By His power we trust in His love.

Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true;

By His mercy He proves He is love.

Great is the Lord and worthy of glory!

Great is the Lord and worthy of praise.

Great is the Lord; now lift up your voice,

Now lift up your voice: Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!

Great are You, Lord and worthy of glory!

Great are You, Lord and worthy of praise.

Great are You, Lord; I lift up my voice,

I lift up your voice: Great are You, Lord! Great are You, Lord!

## **HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US** (*Hymn #101*)

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure  
That he should give His only son, to make a wretch His treasure.  
How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns His face away  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One, bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders  
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice, call out among the scoffers.  
It was my sin that held Him there, until it was accomplished  
His dying breath has brought me life, I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.  
Why should I gain from His reward, I cannot give an answer  
But this I know with all my heart, His wounds have paid my ransom.

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### **Scripture Reading**

*Exodus 15:22-27*

Then Moses made Israel set out from the Red Sea, and they went into the wilderness of Shur. They went three days in the wilderness and found no water. <sup>23</sup> When they came to Marah, they could not drink the water of Marah because it was bitter; therefore it was named Marah.<sup>[a]</sup> <sup>24</sup> And the people grumbled against Moses, saying, "What shall we drink?" <sup>25</sup> And he cried to the LORD, and the LORD showed him a log,<sup>[b]</sup> and he threw it into the water, and the water became sweet.

There the LORD<sup>[c]</sup> made for them a statute and a rule, and there he tested them, <sup>26</sup> saying, "If you will diligently listen to the voice of the LORD your God, and do that which is right in his eyes, and give ear to his commandments and keep all his statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you that I put on the Egyptians, for I am the LORD, your healer."

<sup>27</sup> Then they came to Elim, where there were twelve springs of water and seventy palm trees, and they encamped there by the water.

### **Prayer of Confession**

## Hymn of Response

**LORD, HAVE MERCY** (*Matt Papa / Matt Boswell*)

1. For what we have done and left undone  
We fall on Your countless mercies  
For sins that are known and those unknown  
We call on Your name so holy  
For envy and pride, for closing our eyes  
For scorning our very neighbor  
In thought, word, and deed, we've failed You, our King  
How deeply we need a Savior.

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy on us (2x)

2. For what You have done, Your life of love  
You perfectly lived, we praise You  
Though tempted and tried, You fixed Your eyes  
You finished the work God gave You  
And there on the tree, a King among thieves  
You bled for a world's betrayal  
You loved to the end, our merciful friend  
How pure and forever faithful

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy on us (4x)

3. For hearts that are cold for seizing control  
For scorning our very Maker  
In thought, word, and deed, we've failed You, our King  
How deeply we need a Savior

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy on us (4x)

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## Scripture Readings

### PSALM 73

Truly God is good to Israel, to those who are pure in heart.

<sup>2</sup> But as for me, my feet had almost stumbled, my steps had nearly slipped.

<sup>3</sup> For I was envious of the arrogant when I saw the prosperity of the wicked.

<sup>4</sup> For they have no pangs until death; their bodies are fat and sleek.

<sup>5</sup> They are not in trouble as others are; they are not stricken like the rest of mankind.

<sup>6</sup> Therefore pride is their necklace; violence covers them as a garment.

<sup>7</sup> Their eyes swell out through fatness; their hearts overflow with follies.

<sup>8</sup> They scoff and speak with malice; loftily they threaten oppression.  
<sup>9</sup> They set their mouths against the heavens, and their tongue struts through the earth.  
<sup>10</sup> Therefore his people turn back to them, and find no fault in them.  
<sup>11</sup> And they say, "How can God know? Is there knowledge in the Most High?"  
<sup>12</sup> Behold, these are the wicked; always at ease, they increase in riches.  
<sup>13</sup> All in vain have I kept my heart clean and washed my hands in innocence.  
<sup>14</sup> For all the day long I have been stricken and rebuked every morning.  
<sup>15</sup> If I had said, "I will speak thus," I would have betrayed the generation of your children.  
<sup>16</sup> But when I thought how to understand this, it seemed to me a wearisome task,  
<sup>17</sup> until I went into the sanctuary of God; then I discerned their end.  
<sup>18</sup> Truly you set them in slippery places; you make them fall to ruin.  
<sup>19</sup> How they are destroyed in a moment, swept away utterly by terrors!  
<sup>20</sup> Like a dream when one awakes, O Lord, when you rouse yourself, you despise them as phantoms.  
<sup>21</sup> When my soul was embittered, when I was pricked in heart,  
<sup>22</sup> I was brutish and ignorant; I was like a beast toward you.  
<sup>23</sup> Nevertheless, I am continually with you; you hold my right hand.  
<sup>24</sup> You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will receive me to glory.  
<sup>25</sup> Whom have I in heaven but you? And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you.  
<sup>26</sup> My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.  
<sup>27</sup> For behold, those who are far from you shall perish; you put an end to everyone who is unfaithful to you.  
<sup>28</sup> But for me it is good to be near God; I have made the Lord GOD my refuge, that I may tell of all your works.

### **HEBREWS 12:12-15**

<sup>12</sup> Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, <sup>13</sup> and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed. <sup>14</sup> Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. <sup>15</sup> See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no "root of bitterness" springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled;

## Sermon

## “Rooting Out Bitterness”

### I. THE POISONOUS ROOT OF BITTERNESS

#### A. Bitterness is a Poisonous Root... (Heb. 12:15b)

- ...that S\_\_\_\_\_ up Suddenly
- ...that S\_\_\_\_\_ to Many

#### B. Bitterness Poisons Our Faith

- Faith is Rejoicing in our *Eternal G*\_\_\_\_\_ (Heb 11:1)
  - Bitterness is Resenting our *Present S*\_\_\_\_\_
- Faith produces L\_\_\_\_\_ & B\_\_\_\_\_ (Eph. 3:14-19)
  - Bitterness produces M\_\_\_\_\_ & T\_\_\_\_\_

### II. ROOTING OUT BITTERNESS

#### A. Watching Out for the Seeds of Bitterness (Psalm 73)

- Doubting God’s J\_\_\_\_\_ in the W\_\_\_\_\_
- Doubting God’s L\_\_\_\_\_ for His P\_\_\_\_\_

#### B. How Bitter Becomes Sweet (Exodus 15:22-27)

- Only by the C\_\_\_\_\_ of C\_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 3:21-26 and 5:1-11)
- As we R\_\_\_\_\_ and B\_\_\_\_\_

## Hymn of Response

### **O MIGHTY CROSS** (*Hymn #248*)

O mighty cross, love lifted high, The Lord of life raised there to die  
His sacrifice on Calvary Has made the mighty cross A tree of life to me

O mighty cross what throne of grace: He knew no sin yet took my place  
His sacrifice on Calvary Has made the mighty cross A tree of life to me

O mighty cross O Christ so pure, Love held Him there such shame endured  
His sacrifice on Calvary Has made the mighty cross A tree of life to me

O mighty cross my soul's release - The stripes He bore have brought me peace  
His sacrifice on Calvary Has made the mighty cross A tree of life to me

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## Prayers of the Church

## Doxology & Dedication of Tithes & Offerings

## Closing Hymn

### **BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC** (*Hymn #645*)

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;  
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;  
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword; His truth is marching on.

Glory! Glory, hallelujah! Glory! Glory, hallelujah!  
Glory! Glory, hallelujah! Our God is marching on.

I have seen Him in the watchfires of a hundred circling camps;  
They have builded Him an altar in the evening dews and damps;  
I can read His righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps; His day is marching on.

He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never sound retreat;  
He is sifting out the hearts of men before His judgment seat;  
O be swift, my soul, to answer Him; be jubilant, my feet! Our God is marching on.

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,  
With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me;  
As He died to make men holy, let us live to make men free, While God is marching on.

He is coming like the glory of the morning on the wave;  
He is wisdom to the mighty, He is honor to the brave;  
So the world shall be His footstool, and the soul of wrong His slave,  
Our God is marching on.

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## Benediction