

Soli Deo Gloria

To God Alone be the Glory



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Order of Worship

Call to Worship & Prayer of Praise

Ephesians 1:3-14 (NIV)

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.

**For he chose us in him before the creation of the world
to be holy and blameless in his sight.**

In love he predestined us for adoption to sonship
through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will
to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves.

**In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins,
in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us.**

With all wisdom and understanding,
he made known to us the mystery of his will
according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ,
to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment—
to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ.

**In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him
who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will,**

In order that we, who were the first to put our hope in Christ,
might be for the praise of his glory.

**And we also were included in Christ when we heard the message of truth,
the gospel of our salvation.**

When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit,

**The Spirit is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance
until the redemption of those who are God's possession
to the praise of his glory.**

Hymns of Praise

PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY (*Hymn #1*)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!

All you who hear, now to His temple draw near; join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning.

Shelters you under His wings, oh, so gently sustaining.

Have you not seen: all that is needful has been sent by His gracious ordaining.

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you.
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, if with His love He befriends you.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen sound from His people again: gladly forever adore Him.

MY HEART IS FILLED WITH THANKFULNESS (*Hymn #575*)

My heart is filled with thankfulness To Him who bore my pain;
Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace And gave me life again;
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness And clothed me in His light
And wrote His law of righteousness With pow'r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness To Him who walks beside;
Who floods my weaknesses with strength And causes fears to fly;
Whose ev'ry promise is enough For ev'ry step I take,
Sustaining me with arms of love And crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness To him who reigns above,
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace, Whose ev'ry thought is love.
For ev'ry day I have on earth Is given by the King;
So I will give my life, my all, To love and follow him.

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Scripture Reading

EPHESIANS 2:1-10

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ²in 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— ³among 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.

⁴ But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Prayer of Confession

Hymn of Response

BY GRACE ALONE (*Ward*)

Out of the depths I cry to You...Lord, hear my voice of pleading;
Bend down Your gracious ear, I pray,...Your humble servant heeding.
If You remember each misdeed, And of each thought and word take heed,
Who can remain before You? Only by grace, by grace alone.

Your pardon is a gift of love... Your grace alone must save us,
Our works will not remove our guilt; The strictest life would fail us.
Let none in deeds or merits boast, But let us own the Holy Ghost
For He alone can change us: Only by grace, by grace alone.

Though great our sins and sore our woes. His grace much more aboundeth;
His helping love no limit knows, Our utmost need it soundeth.
Our kind and faithful Shepherd He, Who will set all His people free
From all their sin and sorrow: Only by grace, by grace alone.

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JOHN 1:1-13

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. ⁴In him was life,^[a] and the life was the light of men. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. ⁶There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. ⁸He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light.

⁹The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. ¹⁰He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. ¹¹He came to his own,^[b] and his own people^[c] did not receive him. ¹²But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, ¹³who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

EPHESIANS 3:14-21

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

SERMON

“THE CHILDREN BORN OF GOD”

I. THE WORD OF GOD (John 20:31)

A. Jesus is *the Christ* (John 1:1-18)

- *Prophet*: He R_____ God to us
 - *Priest*: He R_____ us to God
 - *King*: He R_____ over us as God

B. Jesus is *the Son of God* (1:1-4,14-18)

- The E_____ C_____ with the F_____

II. THE COMMAND OF GOD

A. Do not Refuse God’s Son... (1:10-11)

- Don’t be like the G_____ in their I_____
- Don’t be like the J_____ in their P_____

B. But Receive Him and Become God’s Children (1:12)

- B_____ in His N_____

III. THE CHILDREN BORN OF GOD

A. We do *not* become God’s Children...(1:13)

- ...by *Natural* M_____, D_____ or E_____

B. We become God’s Children only...

- By the W_____ of the F_____ (John 6:38-40)
- By the W_____ of the S_____ (John 5:24-29)
- By the W_____ of the S_____ (John 3:3-8)

IV. APPLICATION FOR THE CHILDREN BORN OF GOD

- Be T_____ (Eph. 1:3-4)
 - Do *your* J_____ (Eph. 2:8-10)
 - Keep P_____ (Eph. 3:14-21)

Hymn of Response

HE WILL HOLD ME FAST (*Matt Merker*)

1. When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold...Through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold. He must hold me fast

CHORUS:

He will hold me fast. He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so. He will hold me fast

2. Those He saves are His delight; Christ will hold me fast
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast
He'll not let my soul be lost. His promises shall last
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast
3. For my life He bled and died; Christ will hold me fast
Justice has been satisfied. He will hold me fast
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight, When he comes at last

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Prayers of the Church

Doxology & Dedication of Tithes & Offerings

Closing Hymn

BLESSED ASSURANCE (*Hymn #446*)

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood

This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
2. Perfect submission, perfect delight, Visions of rapture now burst on my sight
Angels descending bring from above Echoes of mercy and whispers of love
3. Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blessed
Watching and waiting, looking above, Filled with His goodness, lost in his love

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Benediction