

Pre-service Song

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Call To Worship

We confess the supremacy of God in Christ through both responsive reading and song.

Our Spoken Call to Worship

Psalm 113 (ESV)

Praise the Lord!
Praise, O servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord!
Blessed be the name of the Lord
from this time forth and forevermore!

**From the rising of the sun to its setting,
the name of the Lord is to be praised!**

The Lord is high above all nations,
and his glory above the heavens!

**Who is like the Lord our God,
who is seated on high,**

**who looks far down
on the heavens and the earth?**

He raises the poor from the dust
and lifts the needy from the ash heap,
to make them sit with princes,
with the princes of his people.

**He gives the barren woman a home,
making her the joyous mother of children.
Praise the Lord!**

Our Sung Call to Worship

Come People of the Risen King

Come people of the Risen King
Who delight to bring Him praise.
Come all and tune your hearts to sing,
To the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth,
We will lift our eyes to Him.
Where steady arms of mercy reach
To gather children in.

Chorus:

**Rejoice, rejoice,
Let ev'ry tongue rejoice.
One heart, one voice,
O Church of Christ rejoice.**

Come those who joy is morning sun,
and those weeping through the night.
Come those who tell of battles won,
And those struggling in the fight.
For His perfect love will never change
And His mercies never cease,
But follow us through all our days
With the certain hope of peace. (Chorus)

Come young and old from every land,
Men and women of the faith.
Come those with full or empty hands
Find the riches of His grace.
Over all the work His people sing,
Shore to shore we hear them call,
The truth that cries through ev'ry age
Our God is all and all. (Chorus)

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Confession

We confess our need for mercy through both responsive reading and song.

Our Spoken Confession

Psalm 130 (ESV)

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!
O Lord, hear my voice!

**Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleas for mercy!**

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,
O Lord, who could stand?
**But with you there is forgiveness,
that you may be feared.**

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;
**my soul waits for the Lord
more than watchmen for the morning,
more than watchmen for the morning.**

O Israel, hope in the LORD!
For with the LORD there is steadfast love,
and with him is plentiful redemption.
**And he will redeem Israel
from all his iniquities.**

Time of silent confession.

Assurance and Peace

We profess our assurance of salvation and peace in Christ through both responsive reading and song.

Remember the Gospel

New City Catechism Questions 22-24

Remember the Gospel!

Why must the Redeemer be truly human?

**That in human nature he might on our behalf
perfectly obey the whole law
And suffer the punishment for human sin;
And also that he might sympathize with our weaknesses.**

Why must the Redeemer be truly God?

**That because of his divine nature his obedience
And suffering would be perfect and effective;
And also that he would be able to bear
The righteous anger of God against sin
And yet overcome death.**

Why was it necessary for Christ, the Redeemer, to die?

**Since death is the punishment for sin,
Christ died willingly in our place
To deliver us from the power and penalty of sin
And to bring us back to God.
By his substitutionary atoning death,
He alone redeems us from hell
And gains for us forgiveness of sin,
Righteousness, and everlasting life.**

Our Sung Profession of Assurance

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

Let us love and sing and wonder,
Let us praise the Savior's name.
He has hushed the law's loud thunder,
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame.
He has washed us with His blood, (He has washed us with His blood)
He has washed us with His blood, (He has washed us with His blood)
He has washed us with His blood, (He has washed us)
He has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord who bought us,
Pitied us when enemies,
Called us by His grace and taught us,
Gave us ears and gave us eyes.
He has washed us with His blood, (He has washed us with His blood)
He has washed us with His blood, (He has washed us with His blood)
He has washed us with His blood, (He has washed us)
He presents our souls to God.

Let us sing though fierce temptation
Threatens hard to bear us down,
For the Lord, our strong salvation,
Holds in view the conqueror's crown.
He who washed us with His blood, (He who washed us with His blood)
He who washed us with His blood, (He who washed us with His blood)
He who washed us with His blood, (He who washed us)
Soon will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder grace and justice
Join and point to mercy's store.
When through grace in Christ our trust is,
Justice smiles and asks no more.
He who washed us with His blood, (He who washed us with His blood)
He who washed us with His blood, (He who washed us with His blood)
He who washed us with His blood, (He who washed us)
Has secured our way to God.

Let us praise and join the chorus
Of the saints enthroned on high.
Here they trusted Him before us,
Now their praises fill the sky.
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood, (Thou hast washed us with Thy blood)
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood, (Thou hast washed us with Thy blood)
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood, (Thou hast washed us)
Thou art worthy Lamb of God.

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Thanksgiving and Petition

We Give Thanks in Prayer and Offer Petitions to God

We express our gratitude to God our Father for Christ's work on the cross for us and bring our requests before him. In bringing our requests, we confess that we believe God truly is a good father, who cares about our needs and gives us what he knows is best.

We Give Thanks by Giving

We give financial offerings to support the work of the church because of our gratitude to God. By giving we confess we are trusting in God's provision for us as well. You may give electronically at gabcames.org/giving/ or place your offering in the boxes at the back of the sanctuary or send a check in the mail.

Scripture Reading

Psalm 30 (ESV)

A Psalm of David. A song at the dedication of the temple.

¹I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up
and have not let my foes rejoice over me.
²O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,
and you have healed me.
³O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;
you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.
⁴Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints,
and give thanks to his holy name.
⁵For his anger is but for a moment,
and his favor is for a lifetime.
Weeping may tarry for the night,
but joy comes with the morning.
⁶As for me, I said in my prosperity,
“I shall never be moved.”
⁷By your favor, O LORD,
you made my mountain stand strong;
you hid your face;
I was dismayed.
⁸To you, O LORD, I cry,
and to the LORD I plead for mercy:
⁹“What profit is there in my death,
if I go down to the pit?
Will the dust praise you?
Will it tell of your faithfulness?
¹⁰Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me!
O LORD, be my helper!
¹¹You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;
you have loosed my sackcloth
and clothed me with gladness,
¹²that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent.
O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

This is the word of the Lord.

**The grass withers and the flower falls
but the word of the Lord endures forever.**

Sermon

Psalm 30 - "On Conversion" - Pastor Dean VanEvery

Sermon Discipleship Questions

1. What encouraged you?
2. What convicted you?
3. Is there anything in your life that needs to change?

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Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Sending

Having heard and confessed the Gospel, we are sent into the world on mission in Christ, which we express in both song and spoken word.

Sending Song

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of Love;
Hearts unfold like flow'rs 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 heav'n 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 blest.
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.

Mortals join the mighty chorus,
Which the morning stars began;
Father love is reigning o'er us,
Brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife.
Joyful music lifts us sunward
In the triumph song of life.

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Blessing

Jude 24-25 (ESV)

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling
and to present you blameless before the presence
of his glory with great joy,
to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord,
be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority,
before all time and now and forever.

Amen.

Scripture text for next Sunday: Psalm 31