

Guide for Home Worship

August 2, 2020

Opening Prayer

(select someone from your group to open your service in prayer)

Call to Worship

Isaiah 6:1-5 (NIV)

LEADER: In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord seated on a throne, high and exalted, and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him were seraphs, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. And they were calling to one another:

CONGREGATION: *Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory.*

LEADER: At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke.

CONGREGATION: *“Woe to me!” I cried. “I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the LORD Almighty.”*

Songs and Liturgy

(sing as a group and/or sing along to recorded versions)

BEHOLD OUR GOD

(Jonathan Baird, Meghan Baird, Ryan Baird, Stephen Altrogge)

Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice.
All creation rises to rejoice.

CHORUS:

Behold our God, seated on His throne.
Come, let us adore Him.
Behold our King, nothing can compare,
Come, let us adore Him!

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the one who knows all things?
Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds?
(CHORUS)

Who has felt the nails upon His hands.
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal, humbled to the grave,
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign!
(CHORUS)

BRIDGE:

You will reign forever! (Let Your glory fill the earth)
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You will reign forever! (Let your glory fill)
(CHORUS)

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RESPONSIVE READING: *Psalm 116:1-7 (NIV)*

LEADER: I love the LORD, for he heard my voice; he heard my cry for mercy.

CONGREGATION: *Because he turned his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live.*

LEADER: The cords of death entangled me, the anguish of the grave came upon me; I was overcome by trouble and sorrow.

CONGREGATION: *Then I called on the name of the LORD: "O LORD, save me!"*

LEADER: The LORD is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion.

CONGREGATION: *The LORD protects the simplehearted; when I was in great need, he saved me. Be at rest once more, O my soul, for the LORD has been good to you.*

LET US LOVE AND SING AND WONDER

(John Newton 1774, Laura Taylor)

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 Mt. Sinai's flame.

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 presents our souls 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,
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.

He has washed us with His blood,
He has washed us with His blood,
He has washed us with His blood,
He presents us whole to God.

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Prayer Time

(You may have an open time of prayer or select someone to pray)

- Pray for our nation – that the good news of Jesus Christ would draw people to know God genuinely and personally.
- Pray for those suffering from the ongoing spread of the coronavirus.
- Pray for those experiencing racial injustices; specifically, that God would bring hope, reconciliation, and restoration through the good news of His Son.
- Pray for those in authority at every level in our country, that they would govern wisely and justly.

Listen to Sermon

“Bless the Lord!”

preached by Ryan Bouton

The sermon will be posted after the 9:00 am outdoor worship service

Psalm 103 (ESV)

¹ To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

² O my God, in you I trust;

let me not be put to shame;

let not my enemies exult over me.

³ Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame;

they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

⁴ Make me to know your ways, O Lord;

teach me your paths.

⁵ Lead me in your truth and teach me,

for you are the God of my salvation;

for you I wait all the day long.

⁶ Remember your mercy,

O Lord, and your steadfast love,

for they have been from of old.

⁷ Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions;

according to your steadfast love remember me,

for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!

⁸ Good and upright is the Lord;

therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

⁹ He leads the humble in what is right,

and teaches the humble his way.

¹⁰ All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness,

for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

¹¹ For your name's sake, O Lord,

pardon my guilt, for it is great.

¹² Who is the man who fears the Lord?

Him will he instruct in the way that he should choose.

¹³ His soul shall abide in well-being,

and his offspring shall inherit the land.

¹⁴ The friendship of the Lord is for those who fear him,

and he makes known to them his covenant.

¹⁵ My eyes are ever toward the Lord,

for he will pluck my feet out of the net.

¹⁶ Turn to me and be gracious to me,

for I am lonely and afflicted.

¹⁷ The troubles of my heart are enlarged;

bring me out of my distresses.

¹⁸ Consider my affliction and my trouble,

and forgive all my sins.

¹⁹ Consider how many are my foes,

and with what violent hatred they hate me.

²⁰ Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me!

Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you.

²¹ May integrity and uprightness preserve me,

for I wait for you.

²² Redeem Israel, O God,

out of all his troubles.

Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism (1563) Lord's Day 22

LEADER: How does "the resurrection of the body" comfort you?

CONGREGATION: Not only my soul will be taken immediately after this life to Christ its head, but even my very flesh, raised by the power of Christ, will be reunited with my soul and made like Christ's glorious body.

LEADER: How does the article concerning "life everlasting" comfort you?

CONGREGATION: Even as I already now experience in my heart the beginning of eternal joy, so after this life I will have perfect blessedness such as no eye has seen, no ear has heard, no human heart has ever imagined: a blessedness in which to praise God eternally.

Sharing Time

(have everyone share one thing that struck them from the sermon)

Song

(sing as a group and/or sing along to recorded versions)

I WILL GLORY IN MY REDEEMER

(Steve Cook, Vicki Cook)

I will glory in my Redeemer,
Whose priceless blood has ransomed me.
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails,
And hung Him on that judgment tree.
I will glory in my Redeemer,
Who crushed the power of sin and death.
My only Savior before the holy Judge:
The Lamb Who is my righteousness,
The Lamb Who is my righteousness.

I will glory in my Redeemer.
My life He bought, my love He owns.
I have no longings for another,
I'm satisfied in Him alone.
I will glory in my Redeemer,
His faithfulness my standing place.
Though foes are mighty and rush upon me,
My feet are firm held by His grace,
My feet are firm held by His grace.

I will glory in my Redeemer,
Who carries me on eagle's wings.
He crowns my life with loving kindness,
His triumph song I'll ever sing.
I will glory in my Redeemer,
Who waits for me at gates of gold.
And when He calls me it will be paradise,
His face forever to behold,
His face forever to behold.

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Benediction

(The leader or individual should read this aloud relishing in the confident assertion that Christ has conquered.)

Luke 12:29-32

LEADER: Do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you. Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

PEOPLE: Amen!