# **Guide for Home Worship**

February 7, 2021

## **Opening Prayer**

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

## **Call to Worship**

Psalm 111:1-4 (ESV)

LEADER: Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

CONGREGATION: Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

LEADER: Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

CONGREGATION: He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful.

### **Songs and Liturgy**

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

#### LORD, FROM SORROWS DEEP I CALL

(Matt Boswell, Matt Papa)

Lord, from sorrows deep I call
When my hope is shaken.
Torn and ruined from the fall,
Hear my desperation.
For so long I've pled and prayed,
"God, come to my rescue!"
Even so the thorn remains,
Still my heart will praise You.

Storms within my troubled soul,
Questions without answers.
On my faith these billows roll.
God, be now my shelter.
Why are you cast down my soul?
Hope in Him who saves you.
When the fires have all grown cold,
Cause this heart to praise You.

#### CHORUS:

Oh my soul, put your hope in God. My help, my rock, I will praise Him. Sing, oh sing, through the raging storm. "You're still my God, my salvation."

Should my life be torn from me,
Every worldly pleasure.
When all I possess is grief,
God, be then my treasure.
Be my vision in the night.
Be my hope and refuge.
'Til my faith is turned to sight,
Lord, my heart will praise You.
(CHORUS)

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#### **RESPONSIVE READING:** *Titus 2:11-14 (ESV)*

LEADER: For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people

CONGREGATION: Training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age

LEADER: Waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ

CONGREGATION: Who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

### **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

#### "Seeing the Light"

preached by Pastor Ryan Bouton

#### John 1:6-13 (ESV)

<sup>6</sup> There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup> He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup> He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light.

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

### **Confession of Faith**

1 Peter 2:9-10

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe?

CONGREGATION: We believe that we are a people for God's own possession, that we may proclaim the excellencies of him who has called us out of darkness into his marvelous light. For once we were not a people, but now we are the people of God.

# **Song of Response**

### O LORD, MY ROCK AND MY REDEEMER

(Nathan Stiff)

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer, Greatest treasure of my longing soul. My God, like You there is no other; True delight is found in You alone. Your grace a well too deep to fathom. Your love exceeds the heavens' reach. Your truth a fount of perfect wisdom, My highest good and my unending need. O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer, Strong defender of my weary heart. My sword to fight the cruel deceiver And my shield against his hateful darts. My song when enemies surround me, My hope when tides of sorrow rise, My joy when trials are abounding, Your faithfulness my refuge in the night.

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer,
Gracious Savior of my ruined life.
My guilt and cross laid on Your shoulders.
In my place, You suffered, bled, and died.
You rose the grave and death are conquered;
You broke my bonds of sin and shame.
O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer,
May all my days bring glory to Your Name.
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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!