

GATHERING

"TRUMPET TUNE IN F MAJOR" (SCOTT HYSLOP)

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP | FROM PSALM 46:10

- > Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth.
- » **Amen.**

CALL TO WORSHIP | FROM PSALM 67

- > May the peoples praise you, God;
- » **May all the peoples praise you.**
- > May the nations be glad and sing for joy,
- » **For you rule the peoples with equity
and guide the nations of all the earth.**
- > May the peoples praise you, God;
- » **May all the peoples praise you.**

PRAYER OF ADORATION

*Let's openly thank God for attributes of his character.
For example, "God, thank you that you are all-powerful"
or "God, thank you for your grace for me this week."*

"IL M'A SAUVÉ"

- > Il m'a sauvé! (*He saved me!*)
- » **Il m'a sauvé!**
- > Il m'a sauvé!
- » **Il m'a sauvé!**
Il m'a sauvé, alléluia!
Il m'a sauvé, alléluia!
- > Il m'a béni! (*He blessed me!*)
- » **Il m'a béni!**
- > Il m'a béni!
- » **Il m'a béni!**
Il m'a béni, alléluia!
Il m'a béni, alléluia!

> Il m'a touché! (*He touched me!*)

- » **Il m'a touché!**
- > Il m'a touché!
- » **Il m'a touché!**
Il m'a touché, alléluia!
Il m'a touché, alléluia!

> Il m'a lavé! (*He washed me!*)

- » **Il m'a lavé!**
- > Il m'a lavé!
- » **Il m'a lavé!**
Il m'a lavé, alléluia!
Il m'a lavé, alléluia!

> Il m'a aimé! (*He loved me!*)

- » **Il m'a aimé!**
- > Il m'a aimé!
- » **Il m'a aimé!**

> Il m'a pardonné! (*He forgave me!*)

- » **Il m'a pardonné!**
- > Il m'a pardonné!
- » **Il m'a pardonné!**

> Il m'a sanctifié! (*He sanctified me!*)

- » **Il m'a sanctifié!**
- > Il m'a sanctifié!
- » **Il m'a sanctifié!**

> Il m'a sauvé! (*He saved me!*)

- » **Il m'a sauvé!**
- > Il m'a sauvé!
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- » **Il m'a sauvé!**
- > Il m'a sauvé!
- » **Il m'a sauvé!**
Il m'a sauvé, alléluia!
Il m'a sauvé, alléluia!

PRAYING

THE APOSTLES' CREED

- › Christians, what do you believe?
- » **I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sits
at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there he shall come
to judge the living and the dead.**
- I believe in the Holy Spirit;
the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting.**
- Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

- › Great God, we are reminded today on World Communion Sunday that we are one church made of many around the world. May we bring honor to you as we play our part and live out the call and mission you've given specifically to this church. Lord, in your mercy,
- » **Hear our prayer.**

THANKSGIVING

OUR OFFERINGS | FROM 1 CHRONICLES 29:14

- › Lord, who are we that we are able to give so generously?
- » **For all things come from you and what we now offer is already yours.**

Please pray for our mission partner Young Lives, a branch of Young Life which reaches out with the gospel and Christ's love to pregnant and parenting teen moms and their children.



To give online, visit thirdrva.org/give.

- › Loving Father, we recognize that you've called us to love our neighbors and to care for those in need. We pray for our city and our community. We ask you to bless our local mission partners as they endeavor to make a difference in many lives. We pray that you would also use us individually to impact residents of our city. May they know that we are Christians by our love. Help us to be a light to those in darkness. Lord, in your mercy,
- » **Hear our prayer.**
- › Lord, show compassion toward the thousands of displaced people seeking a safe haven. We ask for freedom for those who are modern-day slaves. We pray for our brothers and sisters around the world who are being persecuted for their faith. We pray for the safety of those in churches that must meet in secret. Bless those who serve as missionaries around the world, and may we remember to pray for our global partners regularly. May you strengthen the global church, and help us to connect more deeply with them and learn from them. Lord, in your mercy,
- » **Hear our prayer.**



Request prayer and pray for those with health needs or for those in need of comfort: thirdrva.org/prayer.

GREETING OF PEACE

As a new spiritual family reconciled to one another through Christ, take a few moments to pass the peace of Christ to one another as you're able, either with those in your home, or by sending a text to other friends and family watching.

OFFERTORY

This greeting and musical offering come to us from our sister church, El Sharabia, in Cairo.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PROCLAIMING

SCRIPTURE READING | REVELATION 3:14–22

¹⁴ “To the angel of the church in Laodicea write:

These are the words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the ruler of God’s creation. ¹⁵ I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! ¹⁶ So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth. ¹⁷ You say, ‘I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.’ But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked. ¹⁸ I counsel you to buy from me gold refined in the fire, so you can become rich; and white clothes to wear, so you can cover your shameful nakedness; and salve to put on your eyes, so you can see.

¹⁹ Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline. So be earnest and repent. ²⁰ Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.

²¹ To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I was victorious and sat down with my Father on his throne. ²² Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches.”

MESSAGE | “THE REPROOF OF LOVE”

RESPONDING

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

- › Lift up your hearts!
- » **We lift them up to the Lord.**
- › Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- » **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
- › Holy and merciful God, our Father, you have made us in your image and for yourself. You have made this good world for us to tend and to enjoy. God, our Father,
- » **Hear the praise of grateful hearts.**
- › You sought your ancient people when they strayed from you. You freed them from the oppressor and brought them home. God, our Father,
- » **Hear the praise of grateful hearts.**
- › You have sent your Son to bring us home to you.
By his Incarnation—
- » **You have found us.**

- › By his Death—
- » **You have forgiven us.**
- › By his Resurrection—
- » **You have freed us.**
- › God, our Father,
- » **Hear the praise of grateful hearts.**
- › In union with Jesus Christ of Nazareth, our Great High Priest, and with all who worship you, both in heaven and on earth, we offer you our praise, singing:
- » **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of pow’r and might,
heav’n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he, blessed is he
who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The Lord’s Supper, or Communion, is one of the two sacraments we celebrate (the other is baptism). It’s one of the most important things we do when we gather together, because the bread and juice are concrete signs of what Jesus has done for us on the cross. When we come forward to receive them, we believe that Jesus is actually present through the Holy Spirit, extending his grace and forgiveness to us. We welcome anyone to the table who is willing to forsake their sin and trust in Jesus Christ for salvation. If you are not able to receive Communion, we invite you to use this time to meditate on one of the following prayers:

PRAYER OF THOSE SEARCHING FOR TRUTH

“Lord Jesus, you claim to be the Way, the Truth and the Life. Help me to be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Lead me into the light and life you promise. Amen.”

PRAYER OF BELIEF

“Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am more blind and sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete acceptance. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.”

Adapted from prayers written by Rev. Scot Sherman, Redeemer Presbyterian Church

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

- › Holy and merciful God, our Father, send down your Holy Spirit on our bread and wine, that they may be for us the body and blood of Christ, and on your people, that we may be the body of Christ, reconciled to you and to each other by his blood. By your Holy Spirit make us—
- » **One with Christ, one with each other, and one in mission to all the world,**
- › Until Christ shall come in final victory and we feast together at his heavenly banquet. We cry,
- » **Maranatha! Even so, come, Lord Jesus, come. Amen!**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION | FROM 1 CORINTHIANS 11:23–26

- › “The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, ‘This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.’ In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, ‘This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.’ For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.”

SENDING

“ONE PURE AND HOLY PASSION”

Give me one pure and holy passion,
Give me one magnificent obsession.
Give me one glorious ambition for my life—
To know and follow hard after you.

*To know and follow hard after you,
To grow as your disciple in your truth;
This world is empty, pale, and poor
Compared to knowing you, my Lord.
Lead me on and I will run after you,
Lead me on and I will run after you.*

As we take the elements together, spend a few moments meditating on the mercy of God given to us in Jesus’ death and resurrection. Praise and thank God for his gift of love that binds us together in unity through Jesus’ sacrifice!

CLOSING PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

- » **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory for ever. Amen.**

COMMISSION AND BLESSING | COLOSSIANS 1:15,17–18

- › The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation... He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.
- » **And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy.**

“TOCCATA GIACOSA” (GILBERT MARTIN)