



CONNECT TO TODAY'S ONLINE WORSHIP GUIDE: THIRDRVA.ORG/THIS-SUNDAY

Here we post current prayer concerns of those with health needs and those in need of comfort, the full scriptural text for today's service, a link to give online, and important announcements about the life of our church.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP | FROM PSALM 62

- › For God alone my soul waits in silence;
- » **From him comes my salvation.**

CALL TO WORSHIP | FROM PSALM 62

- › Truly my soul finds rest in God;
my salvation comes from him.
- » **Truly he is our rock and our salvation;
he is our fortress, we will never be shaken.**
- › Yes, my soul, find rest in God; my hope comes from him.
- » **Truly he is our rock and our salvation;
he is our fortress, we will not be shaken.**
- › My salvation and honor depend on God;
he is my mighty rock, my refuge.
- » **Trust in him at all times, you people;
pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.**

PRAYER OF ADORATION

"PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY"

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
Come, all who hear; brothers and sisters, draw near,
Join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning,
Sheltering you under his wings, oh, so gently sustaining.
Have you not seen all that is needful has been
Sent by his gracious ordaining?

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
As with his love he befriends you.

Praise to the Lord! Oh, 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!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

"RAISE A HALLELUJAH"

I raise a hallelujah in the presence of my enemies.
I raise a hallelujah louder than the unbelief.
I raise a hallelujah; my weapon is a melody.
I raise a hallelujah; heaven comes to fight for me.
*Lord, help me to sing in the middle of the storm.
Louder and louder, you're gonna hear my praises roar.
Up from the ashes, hope will arise.
Death is defeated, the King is alive!*

I raise a hallelujah with everything inside of me.
I raise a hallelujah; I will watch the darkness flee.
I raise a hallelujah in the middle of the mystery.
I raise a hallelujah; fear, you lost your hold on me.

*Sing a little louder in the presence of my enemies.
Sing a little louder, louder than the unbelief.
Sing a little louder; my weapon is a melody.
Sing a little louder; heaven comes to fight for me.*

CONFESSING

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

- » **Jesus Lord, in your mercy,
by your holy life that heals us,
by your holy death that saves us,
by your Holy Spirit with us,
come to cleanse these sinners that we are.
Set us free to obey you;
make us clear to stand before you;
then, for your mercy, we will praise you.
Amen.**

SILENT CONFESSION

The Lord is steadfast, merciful, and slow to anger. He extends his mercy to us and receives us as we are. Let's bring our confessions to the Lord silently.

WORDS OF COMFORT | FROM PSALM 103:11-13

- › For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his love for those who fear him.
- » **As far as the east is from the west,
so far has he removed our transgressions from us.**
- › As a father has compassion on his children,
so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him.
- » **Thanks be to God!**

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.

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 Set Free, a ministry which offers hope and healing through the Lord Jesus Christ to all individuals who struggle with sexual sin and its resultant brokenness, through support groups, couples counseling, and education to families, friends and churches.

VIDEO: ADOPTION AWARENESS MONTH

Want to make a gift this morning? You can drop it in the baskets in the commons or give online at thirdrva.org/give.

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 12

Read along in your Bible or the online guide for this Sunday at thirdrva.org/this-sunday.

SERMON | "THE GREAT WAR"

RESPONDING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

- › Father, we praise you that in the cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ, you defeated our adversary the Devil and guaranteed the day that evil will be vanquished forever. As we wait for that day, help us to stay strong in Jesus our Savior, who covers us in his righteousness and empowers us to stand. Lord, in your mercy,
 - » **Hear our prayer.**
- › Lord Jesus, you touched those who were marred by evil and set them free from the powers of darkness. Touch and heal all those who are hurt by evil. Draw near to those trapped in addiction, depression, despair, mental illness, or wounds of trauma. Bring your light into the darkness of our lives, and set your children free. Lord, in your mercy,
 - » **Hear our prayer.**
- › Holy Spirit, empower us, your church, to be agents of light in a world in darkness. Especially hold strong those who witness to your love in the service of the poor and needy, the orphan and widow, the sick and the dying. Bring an end to the foster and adoption crisis in our state and country, and use your people to do it. Hasten the day when evil is destroyed forever, and all sorrows flee away. Lord, in your mercy,
 - » **Hear our prayer.**
- › Lord, hear us now as we lift up to you names of those that need your help.

Pray for health: Nancy Payne, Betty Schwarten

Pray for comfort for the loss of loved ones: Larissa Sager (stepfather, 11/8); Rusty Gregg (sister, Lucy, 11/2); Nancy Bonsack (mother, Anne Bonsack, 10/30); Phil Marriott (son, 10/27)

For a full list of those with health needs and those in need of comfort, visit thirdrva.org/this-sunday.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- › Gathering our prayers into one, let us pray boldly as our Savior has taught us:
 - » **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.**

SENDING

“A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD”

A mighty fortress is our God,
A bulwark never failing;
Our helper he, amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe does seek to work us woe;
His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide,
Our striving would be losing,
Were not the right Man on our side,
The Man of God’s own choosing.
You ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he;
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same;
And he must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled,
Should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God has willed
His truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure;
One little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly powers—
No thanks to them—abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
The body they may kill: God’s truth abideth still;
His kingdom is forever!

COMMISSION AND BLESSING | FROM EPHESIANS 6

- › Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes.
- » **For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.**
- › Peace to you, and love with faith from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- » **Grace to all who love our Lord Jesus Christ with an undying love.**

POSTLUDE

PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

"LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS" HYMNAL #575

Descant

4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore
F Am B^b C7

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a -
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly reign -
3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend
4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore

him! All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be -
F Am B^b

tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal -
ing, shel - tering you un - der his wings, oh, so gent - ly sus -
you; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at -
him! All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be -

fore him! Let the a - men sound from his
C7 F B^b F

va - tion! Come, all who hear; broth - ers and
tain - ing. Have you not seen all that is
tend you. Pon - der a - new what the Al -
fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

Chord symbols represent a simplified harmony.

Words: Joachim Neander, 1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1863, alt., P.D.

Music (LOBE DEN HERREN 14.14.4.7.8): *Ernewerten Gesangbuch, Stralsund*, 1665; desc. Craig S. Lang (1891-1971) © Novello and Co., Ltd, admin. G. Schirmer, Inc.

peo - ple a - gain. Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!
 C F Dm Gm C F
 sis - ters, draw near, join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 need - ful has been sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
 might - y can do as with his love he be - friends you.
 peo - ple a - gain. Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

REFRAIN | SING AFTER VERSES 2 AND 4

Hal - le - lu - - - - jah!

Hal - le - lu - - - - jah!

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

"LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS" HYMNAL #776

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It consists of four systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment line. Chord symbols are placed above the vocal line. The lyrics are arranged in four lines, corresponding to the four parts of the hymn. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C).

C G Am D7 G Am

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul - wark
2 Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing
3 And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en
4 That Word a - bove all earth - ly powers— no thanks to

C Dm G7 C G Am D7 G

nev - er fail - ing; our help - er he, a - mid the flood
would be los - ing; were not the right Man on our side,
to un - do us, we will not fear, for God has willed
them— a - bid - eth; the Spir - it and the gifts are ours

Am Em C Dm G7 C Am Dsus D G

of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe
the Man of God's own choos - ing. You ask who that may be?
his truth to tri - umph through us. The prince of dark - ness grim,
through him who with us sid - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go,

C Dm Am Dsus D G

does seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great,
Christ Je - sus, it is he; Lord Sa - ba - oth his name,
we trem - ble not for him; his rage we can en - dure,
this mor - tal life al - so; the bod - y they may kill:

Words: based on Psalm 46, Martin Luther, 1529; tr. Frederick H. Hedge, 1852, P.D.

Music (EIN FESTE BURG 8.7.8.7.6.6.6.6.7): Martin Luther, 1529, alt.; harm. Johann S. Bach (1685-1750), P.D.

Dm F A Dm E Am Em C Dm G7 C

and armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
 from age to age the same; and he must win the bat - tle.
 for lo! his doom is sure; one lit - tle word shall fell him.
 God's truth a - bid - eth still; his king - dom is for - ev - er!