



HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2020

GATHERING

PRELUDE | "PRELUDE AND FUGUE IN E MINOR" (J. S. BACH)

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

What are you carrying with you into worship this morning?

SILENT PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP | FROM ISAIAH 55:1-3

- › Come to the water, all you who thirst—
- » **Come drink deeply from the river of life.**

- › Come to the water, all you who are weary—
- » **Come rest in the quiet pools of God's love.**

- › Come to the water, all you who long for justice—
- » **Come be renewed in God's ever-flowing stream.**

- › For God is here among us,
washing away the dust and grime of our lives,
and pouring out the Spirit on all who thirst.
- » **Let's worship God together.**

PRAYER OF ADORATION

SONG OF PRAISE | "BREAK US"

When I stand in the presence of a holy God,
And I flee and I cover my face,
My heart filled with shame, yet you still call my name,
And you break me by the pow'r of your grace.

Refrain

When I walk through the evil and strife of the earth
And I turn and I cover my eyes,
The arms that do violence while our hearts watch in silence—
Won't you break them by the pow'r of your grace?

Refrain

When my flesh it shall fail, and my work here is done
And the heav'ns and the earth are remade,
Though I sowed here in sorrow it'll be glorious tomorrow.
He'll remake it by the pow'r of his grace!

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The musical notation is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes with some ties. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with lines indicating where the notes align with the words.

Break us___ by the power of your grace, O Lord,___
break us___ by the power of your grace.
Break us,___ re - make us,___ don't let the sor - row take___ us;___ O___
break us___ by the power of your grace.

CONFESSING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND TIME OF LAMENT

- › O Lord, hear our cry! How long must our black and brown brothers and sisters be killed unjustly? How long must fathers and mothers weep over their dead children? How long will racial violence persist in our nation? How long will the lingering effects of injustice, animosity and pride mark your people? How long will we fail to understand the pain of those whose experience is different than ours? How long will we wrestle with distrust and division?
- » **Holy God, be our help!**
- › O Lord, hear our cry! Forgive the sins of our nation and have mercy on our land. Forgive the sins of our fathers as well as our own. Forgive our own passivity, complicity and silence. Destroy and banish the evil that still holds us in its grasp. Redeem and release us from our wounds and fears. Come quickly, we pray, to revive us and make us new.
- » **Heavenly Father, be our help!**
- › O Lord, hear our cry! You came for us, you lived for us, you died for us, you rose for us. You put to death all human hostility through your death on the cross. You have risen to life for our forgiveness, renewal and hope. Release your resurrection power among us to heal our land, heal our city, and heal our hearts.
- » **Lord Jesus, be our help!**
- › O Lord, hear our cry! Grant us the heart to weep with those who weep. Give us empathy and understanding. Create trust where there is pain. Give us courage to stand with those who suffer and to seek justice for the oppressed. Give us grace to persevere, to repent, to forgive, and to love. Make your church the repentant, reconciled, and united people you call us to be.
- » **Holy Spirit, be our help!**

"Break Us" Refrain

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.

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.**

To give online, visit thirdrva.org/generosity.

Please pray for our mission partner the Barnabas Center, a nonprofit, Christ-centered counseling, training and teaching ministry seeking to build a community of people who, having met God in the midst of their struggles, are learning to handle them in redemptive ways.

OFFERTORY | "PSALM 126 (ALTHOUGH WE ARE WEEPING)"

Our mouths, they were filled, filled with laughter;
Our tongues, they were loosed, loosed with joy.
Restore us, O Lord! Restore us, O Lord!

*Although we are weeping, Lord, help us keep sowing
The seeds of your kingdom for the day you will reap them.
Your sheaves we will carry; Lord, please do not tarry.
All those who sow weeping will go out with songs of joy.*

The nations will say, "He has done great things!"
The nations will sing songs of joy.
Restore us, O Lord! Restore us, O Lord!

PROCLAIMING

SCRIPTURE READING | 1 CORINTHIANS 15:42-58

⁴² So will it be with the resurrection of the dead. The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable; ⁴³ it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; ⁴⁴ it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body.

If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body. ⁴⁵ So it is written: "The first man Adam became a living being"; the last Adam, a life-giving spirit. ⁴⁶ The spiritual did not come first, but the natural, and after that the spiritual. ⁴⁷ The first man was of the dust of the earth; the second man is of heaven. ⁴⁸ As was the earthly man, so are those who are of the earth; and as is the heavenly man, so also are those who are of heaven. ⁴⁹ And just as we have borne the image of the earthly man, so shall we bear the image of the heavenly man.

⁵⁰ I declare to you, brothers and sisters, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. ⁵¹ Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed— ⁵² in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. ⁵³ For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. ⁵⁴ When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: "Death has been swallowed up in victory."

⁵⁵ "Where, O death, is your victory?
Where, O death, is your sting?"

⁵⁶ The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. ⁵⁷ But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁵⁸ Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

- › This is the word of the Lord.
- » **Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE | "THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY"

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.**

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.**

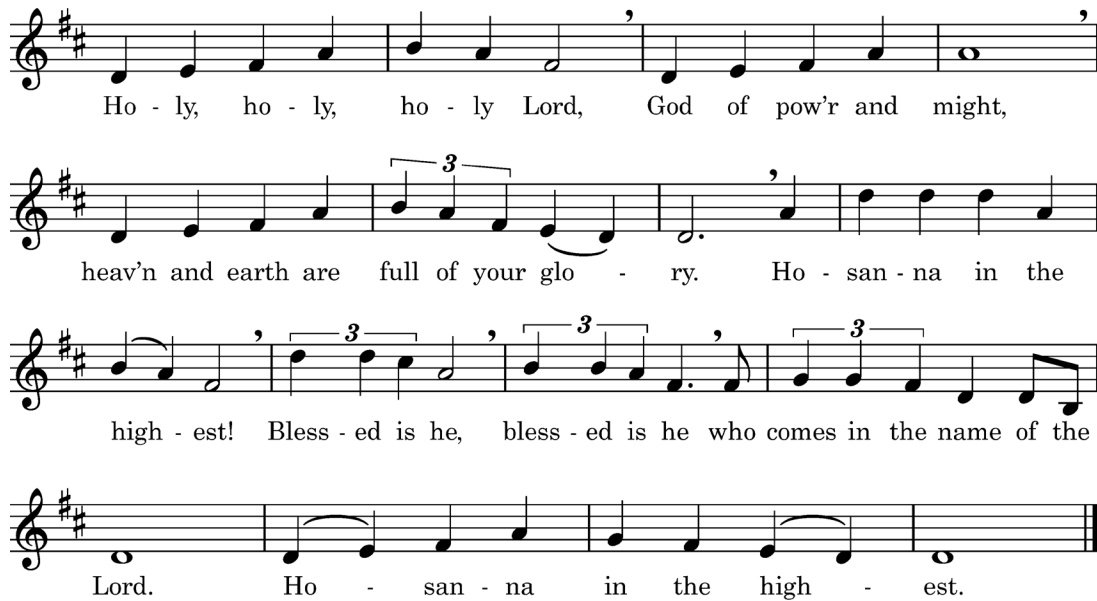
- › You have sent your Son to bring us home to you. By his Incarnation–
- » **You have found us.**

- › 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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est! Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.”

As we take the elements together, spend some moments in reflection, meditating on the mercy of God given to us in Jesus’ death and resurrection, and consider the amazing way God binds us together in unity through Jesus’ sacrifice. Spend some time praising and thanking God for his gift of love.

The Lord's Supper, or Communion, is one of the two sacraments we celebrate (the other is baptism). It is 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.

SENDING

SONG OF COMMISSION | "WE WILL FEAST IN THE HOUSE OF ZION"

*We will feast in the house of Zion, we will sing with our hearts restored.
"He has done great things," we will say together. "We will feast and weep no more."*

We will not be burned by the fire. He is the Lord our God.
We are not consumed by the flood—upheld, protected, gathered up.

In the dark of night, before the dawn: my soul, be not afraid.
For the promised morning, oh, how long? O God of Jacob, be my strength.

Every vow we've broken and betrayed. You are the faithful one.
And from the garden to the grave, bind us together, bring shalom.

COMMISSION AND BLESSING | FROM 1 CORINTHIANS 15:57-58

- › Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.
- » **Therefore, dear brothers and sisters, since future victory is sure,
let us be strong and steady, always abounding in the Lord's work,
for we know that because Jesus is risen from the dead, nothing we do for the Lord is ever wasted.**

POSTLUDE | "RONDO" (JOHN BULL)