

GATHERING



MUSICAL PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP
"O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL"
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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP | FROM ISAIAH 60:1

- › Arise, shine, for your light has come,
- » **And the glory of the Lord rises upon you.**

CALL TO WORSHIP | FROM 1 TIMOTHY 3:16

- › Christ manifested in the flesh,
Christ revealed in the Spirit.
- » **Praise the Lord, all you nations.**
- › Christ contemplated by the angels,
Christ worshiped by the Magi.
- » **Praise the Lord, all you nations.**
- › Christ professed in the world,
Christ exalted in glory.
- » **Praise the Lord, all you nations.**

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Take a few moments to openly thank God for a few attributes of his character. This will be a popcorn-style prayer where everyone can share short one- or two-phrase prayers. For example, "God, thank you that you are all-powerful" or "God, thank you for your grace for me this week." The leader can open and then close after a few minutes of prayer.



SONG OF PRAISE | "JOY TO THE WORLD!"
SING ALONG WITH THE VIDEO:
youtube.com/watch?v=kyciMYZq2-Y

Joy to the world! the Lord is come:
Let earth receive her King.
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! the Savior reigns:
Let men their songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make his blessings flow
Far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness
And wonders of his love, and wonders of his love,
And wonders, wonders of his love.

CONFESSING



SONG OF CONFESSION | "BREAK US"
SING ALONG WITH THE VIDEO:
youtube.com/watch?v=wBCfA-jahmQ

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 power of your grace.

*Break us by the power of your grace, O Lord,
Won't you break us by the power of your grace.
Break us, remake us, don't let the sorrow take us;
O break us by the power of your grace.*

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 power of your grace.

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

- » **Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.**

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 ASSURANCE | FROM HEBREWS 4

- › Since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess.
- » **For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin.**
- › Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence,
- » **So that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pray specifically for the needs of the people gathered with you this morning. We are not able to sustain our lives apart from the Lord's presence, grace and mercy.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

GREETING OF PEACE

As God's spiritual family, and people who have received and continue to receive peace through Christ, extend that peace to one another. Have an adult from each household take a photo of you and your family to send to someone else, perhaps someone you know who is worshipping alone this morning.

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.**

Want to make a gift this morning? Visit 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 | DEUTERONOMY 6:4-9; MARK 12:28-31



WATCH THE SERMON TOGETHER HERE:

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SENDING



"LEAD ON, O KING ETERNAL"
SING ALONG WITH THE VIDEO:

youtube.com/watch?v=GzlponYvF3o

Lead on, O King eternal, the day of march has come;
Henceforth in fields of conquest thy tents shall be our home.
Through days of preparation thy grace has made us strong;
And now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
And holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace.
For not with swords' loud clashing or roll of stirring drums—
With deeds of love and mercy the heavenly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King eternal; we follow, not with fears,
For gladness breaks like morning where'er thy face appears.
Thy cross is lifted o'er us, we journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might.

COMMISSION AND BEDICTION | 1 JOHN 4:10-12

- › This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.
- » **No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.**