

Worship Guide 8/21/2022

Call to Worship

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:14-16

Worshiping God by Singing

Arise, My Soul, Arise

Arise, my soul, arise,
shake off your guilty fears;
The bleeding sacrifice,
in my behalf appears;
Before the throne my Surety stands,
Before the throne my Surety stands,
My name is written on His hands.

Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise
Arise, my soul, arise.
Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise

Arise, my soul, arise.
Shake off your guilty fears and rise

He ever lives above,
for me to intercede;
His all redeeming love,
His precious blood, to plead;
His blood atoned for every race,
His blood atoned for every race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise
Arise, my soul, arise.
Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise
Arise, my soul, arise.
Shake off your guilty fears and rise

Five bleeding wounds He bears;
received on Calvary;
They pour effectual prayers;
they strongly plead for me:
“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry,
“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry,
“Nor let that ransomed sinner die!”

Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise
Arise, my soul, arise.
Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise
Arise, my soul, arise.
Shake off your guilty fears and rise

My God is reconciled;
His pardoning voice I hear;
He owns me for His child;
I can no longer fear
With confidence I now draw nigh,
With confidence I now draw nigh,
And “Father, Abba, Father,” cry.

Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise
Arise, my soul, arise.
Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise
Arise, my soul, arise.
Shake off your guilty fears and rise

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Worshiping God by Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism

Do you acknowledge your child’s need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?

Do you claim God’s covenant promises on her behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for her salvation, as you do for your own?

Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before

her a godly example, that you will pray with and for her, that you will teach her the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

To the congregation:

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child?

Worshiping God by Singing

Thy Mercy, My God

Thy mercy, my God, is the theme of my song
The joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue
Thy free grace alone from the first to the last
Hath won my affections and bound my soul fast.

Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here
Sin soon would reduce me to utter despair
But through Thy free goodness my spirits revive
And He that first made me still keeps me alive.

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart,
Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart;
Dissolved by Thy goodness I fall to the ground

And weep to the praise of the mercy I've found.

Great Father of mercies, Thy goodness I own,
And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son;
All praise to the Spirit, Whose whisper divine
Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine!

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O God of Our Salvation

O God of our salvation
Who reigns upon the throne
The sov'reign Father, great is He
From whom all blessings flow

O God of our salvation
From whom redemption comes
O Father, Son, and Spirit
The blessed Three in One.

Behold the Son, our Savior
Who for our sin was slain
The Christ who purchased with his blood
The wretched souls of men

O God of our salvation
From whom redemption comes
O Father, Son, and Spirit
The blessed Three in One.

O God the Holy Spirit
Revealing deity
The fount of life and love divine
Throughout eternity

O God of our salvation
From whom redemption comes
O Father, Son, and Spirit
The blessed Three in One.

Ascribe, O church, the greatness
And glory due his name
One God, one King, one Essence
Our Triune God proclaim

Amen!

Amen!

Amen!

Amen!

Prayer

Missionary of the Week:	Scott and Ruth Hill Cherokee, NC
Community Church of the Week:	Bethesda Church of God Rev. Al Sims
Presbytery Church of the Week:	New Covenant Presbyterian Church Rev. Daniel Miller

Worshiping God by Hearing His Word

Series:	<i>Life Together</i>
Sermon:	<i>Focus on Prayer</i>

¹³ Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. ¹⁴ Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. ¹⁶ Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. ¹⁷ Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for

three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸ Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.

James 5:13-18

Christ-followers are called to _____ for _____
_____.

Our prayers for one another are not _____ to
_____.

God gives us _____ to pray.

Our greatest encouragement to pray is found in _____.

Action point:

_____ for _____ people.

By the power of the Spirit and in the name of Jesus, let's
_____ in _____ for each other.

Worshiping God by Singing

God, We Sing Your Glorious Praises

God, we sing your glorious praises
as we tell your awesome deeds:
you have fashioned all creation
and you meet each creature's needs.
We rejoice in how your people
tasted your great faithfulness;
graced through every generation,
we your mighty acts profess.

We remember, God, your covenant
which extends from heaven to earth;
how Christ's death and resurrection
conquers sin, renews our birth.
Thank you for this gospel message
which inspires your church to preach
grace to every generation
in our deeds and in our speech.

Fueled by power from your Spirit
we commit ourselves anew
to be faithful to your gospel
in the daily work we do.
We will shout your glorious praises,
telling all who have not heard:
grace for every generation
is embodied in your Word.

Lord, we offer you our worship
as we celebrate your grace
which you shower on your people
gathered here and everyplace.
Blessed by water, Word, and table,
we, your church, now pledge to share
grace through every generation
in our witness, work, and prayer.

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Benediction

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that
by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

Romans 15:13