
Order of Worship

October 11, 2026

Reflection

We obey God's Law, not to be loved but because we are loved in Christ.

– Jerry Bridges

Prelude

As worship begins, please silence your electronic devices.

Call to Worship

Psalm 63

Leader: I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory.

People: Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you.

Leader: I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands.

People: I will be fully satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise you.

Song

Shout to the Lord

My Jesus, my Savior
Lord there is none like You
All of my days, I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love

My comfort, my Shelter
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath, all that I am
Never cease to worship You!

Shout to the Lord
All the earth let us sing;
Power and majesty
Praise to the King!
Mountains bow down
And the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name!

I sing for joy
At the work of Your hands;
Forever I'll love You,
Forever I'll stand;
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You!

Prayer of Adoration

All glory and honor be unto you, Lord God Almighty, for in your sovereign and gracious design you have not left us to ourselves but have adopted us as your own and called us to be a new people for your service that we, the church, for whom Christ died, might be a holy nation. So work within us this day that we might genuinely declare in our words and deeds the praise of your glorious grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Affirmation of Faith *The Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 60*

Minister: How are you (made) right with God?

All: Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments and of never having kept any of them, and even though I am still inclined toward all evil, nevertheless, without my deserving it at all, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me. All I need to do is to accept this gift of God with a believing heart.

Gloria Patri

Meineke

Glory be to the Father,
And to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost!
As it was in the beginning,
Is now and ever shall be:
World without end,
Amen, Amen!

Prayer of Confession

Holy and merciful God, we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.

Have mercy on us, Lord. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for Jesus has conquered sin and death. Amen.

Private Confession

Song

A Debtor to Mercy Alone

A debtor to mercy alone
Of covenant mercy I sing
I come with Your righteousness on
My humble offering to bring
The judgments of Your holy law
With me can have nothing to do
My Savior's obedience and blood
Hide all my transgressions from view

The work which Your goodness began
The arm of Your strength will complete
Your promise is yes and amen
And never was forfeited yet

The future or things that are now
No power below or above
Can make You Your purpose forego
Or sever my soul from Your love

My name from the palms of Your hands
Eternity will not erase
Impressed on Your heart it remains
In marks of indelible grace
Yes I, to the end will endure
Until I bow down at Your throne
Forever and always secure
Forever and always secure
Forever and always secure
A debtor to mercy alone

Words of Pardon and Comfort *2 Corinthians 5:21*
God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in
him we might become the righteousness of God.

Song *Indescribable*
From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea,
Creation's revealing Your majesty.
From the colors of Fall to the fragrance of Spring,
Ev'ry creature unique in the song that it sings,
All exclaiming:

Chorus:
Indescribable, uncontainable;
You placed the stars in the sky,
And You know them by name.
You are amazing God.
All powerful, untamable;
Awestruck we fall to our knees
As we humbly proclaim
You are amazing, God.

Who has told every lightning bolt where it should go,
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow?
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light,
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night?
None can fathom.
(Chorus)

Indescribable, uncontainable;
You placed the stars in the sky,
And You know them by name.
You are amazing God.
Incomparable, unchangeable;
You see the depths of my heart,
And You love me the same.
You are amazing, God.
You are amazing, God.

*(Children through Kindergarten are dismissed for
Children's Church; they will return for Communion.)*

Prayer of Intercession

Concluded by 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 forever. Amen.

High Desert Highlights *See 'Church Life' on page 15*

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

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Scripture

John 13:1-20

Sermon

Rev. Dan Rose

"The Servant King"

So That You May Believe: The Gospel of John

Song

Rock of Ages

Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood,
From Thy wounded side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure;
Save from wrath and make me pure.

Not the labor of my hands
Can fulfill Thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone;
Thou must save, and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring,
Simply to the cross I cling;
Naked, come to Thee for dress;
Helpless look to Thee for grace;
Foul, I to the fountain fly;
Wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath,
When mine eyes shall close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown,
See Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

This is a time for all people to seek the Lord. For Christians, the Lord's Supper (also called Communion or The Eucharist, which means 'thanksgiving') is a time to meet with their Savior by faith, to be strengthened and renewed by Him as they eat and drink the elements. All baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior and Lord, belong to a church that embraces the gospel, are at peace with their fellow neighbor, and seek strength and grace to live more faithfully to Christ, are invited to participate.

If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer (see Prayers on page 14) and to consider more deeply your relationship to Jesus Christ.

We also ask that children who have not yet publicly professed their faith in Christ refrain from partaking until doing so. Both wine (red) and grape juice (white) are offered. Gluten-free bread is also available.

Words of Institution

Memorial Acclamation

Minister: Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!

Minister: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

All: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Minister: The gifts of God for the people of God.

Song

All I Have is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night,
Yet thought I knew the way;
The sin that promised joy and life
Had led me to the grave.
I had no hope that You would own
A rebel to Your will,
And if You had not loved me first
I would refuse You still.

But as I ran my hell-bound race,
Indifferent to the cost,
You looked upon my helpless state
And led me to the cross.
And I beheld God's love displayed,
You suffered in my place;
You bore the wrath reserved for me;
Now all I know is grace!

Chorus:

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ!
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone
And live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands
Could never come from me.

O Father, use my ransomed life
In any way You choose,
And let my song forever be:
My only boast is You. (Chorus)

Song

Hail the Day

Hail the day that Christ arose
Through the skies to world's unknown
Glorious there He ever reigns
Object of all Heaven's praise

See Him lift His hands above
See the scars of His great love
He has conquered death and sin
Saving all who hope in Him

Chorus:

Hallelujah, hallelujah
The King of Love is on His throne
Hallelujah, hallelujah
His grace will lead us safely home

Though He dwells beyond the stars
His redeemed are on His heart
Even now He intercedes
Jesus cares for all our needs (Chorus)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We thank you, O God, that through Word and sacrament you have given us your Son, who is the true bread from heaven and food of eternal life. Strengthen us in your service that our daily living may show our thanks, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Song

Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love. (Refrain)

Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love. (Refrain)

Benediction

Postlude

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Prayers

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth: Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might 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. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Belief: Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more 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 forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin: Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the Pioneer and Perfecter of my faith. Amen.

Prayer of Commitment: Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.