

LET US PREPARE TO WORSHIP THE  
LIVING GOD

# Prelude

**GOD REVEALS HIMSELF AND CALLS  
HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP HIM**

Let us rise to worship the Triune God,  
God the Father, the Son and  
the Holy Spirit, and let us all declare:

**God is our refuge and our strength, a very  
present help in trouble. Therefore, we will not  
fear, though the earth should change and  
though the mountains slip into the heart of the  
sea. *Psalm 46:1-2***

# CALL TO WORSHIP

The earth is the Lord's, and all it contains, the world, and those who dwell in it. For He has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers. Who may ascend into the hill of the Lord? And who may stand in His holy place?

**He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who has not lifted up his soul to falsehood, and has not sworn deceitfully. He shall receive a blessing from the Lord, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.**

Lift up your heads, O gates, and be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in! Who is the King of glory?

**The LORD of hosts, He is the King of glory.**

*Psalm 24: 1-5, 7, 10*

**Opening Prayer**  
*(Led by Pastor)*





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## Psalm #144

*“I’ll Praise the Lord My Rock”*

**I'll praise the Lord, my Rock  
Who trains my hands for war;  
Who is my loving God and Shield,  
and my Deliverer.**

**Yet we are weak, and fail,  
no stronger than a breath;  
Lord, what is man, so small, so frail,  
and shadowed deep by death?**

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**Now part Your heav'ns, O LORD,  
come down and show Your might;  
unveil the latent pow'r of God  
in nature's storm and light.**

**Descend in this dark hour  
to scatter all deceit.**

**Revive Your work! Reveal Your pow'r,  
and lying schemes defeat.**

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**And, while we wait on God  
for His restoring grace,  
the new song planted in our soul  
awakes to His glad praise.  
You are the King of kings,  
our strong security;  
deliver us from those who lie,  
and set Your servant free!**

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**Then mercy great shall flow,  
our children's faith increase;  
our sheep and cattle multiply,  
our harvests grow in peace.**

**No cries shall haunt our streets,  
no threats of fire or sword—**

**how blest the land that knows such rest,  
whose people know the Lord!**

**GOD CALLS US TO CONFESS,  
TO REPENT AND TO RECONCILE**

*The Ten Commandments*  
*Exodus 20:1-17*

# We Pray and Confess Our Sin

*Silent prayer followed by prayer led by Pastor*

# God's Assurance to His Repentant People

I have formed you, you are My servant, O Israel, you will not be forgotten by Me. I have wiped out your transgressions like a thick cloud, and your sins like a heavy mist. Return to Me, for I have redeemed you.

*Isaiah 44:21b-22*



# Hymn

*“Not All the Blood of Beasts”*

**Not all the blood of beasts**

**On Jewish altars slain**

**Could give the guilty conscience peace**

**Or wash away the stain.**

**But Christ, the heav'nly Lamb,  
Takes all our sins away;  
A sacrifice of nobler Name  
And richer blood than they.**

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**My faith would lay its hand  
On that dear head of Thine,  
While as a penitent I stand,  
And there confess my sin.**

**My soul looks back to see  
The burden Thou didst bear  
When hanging on the cursed tree;  
I know my guilt was there.**

**Believing, we rejoice**

**To see the curse remove;**

**We bless the Lamb with cheerful voice**

**And sing His bleeding love.**

**We Profess Our Faith**

*Westminster Larger Catechism 6-8*

# WHAT HUMAN BEINGS OUGHT TO BELIEVE ABOUT GOD

Q. 6. What does the Bible make known about God?

A. The Bible makes known what God is,<sup>1</sup> the Persons in the Godhead,<sup>2</sup> His decrees,<sup>3</sup> and how His decrees are carried out.<sup>4</sup>

*1. Jn 4.24, Ex 34.6-7, Heb 11.6; 2. Mt 28.19, 2 Cor 13.14, 1 Jn 5.17; 3. Eph 1.11, Acts 15.14-15,18; 4. Acts 4.27-28, Is 42.9.*



## Q. 7. What is God?

**A. God is a spirit,<sup>1</sup> Who in and of Himself is infinite in being,<sup>2</sup> glory,<sup>3</sup> blessedness,<sup>4</sup> and perfection.<sup>5</sup> He is all-sufficient,<sup>6</sup> eternal,<sup>7</sup> unchangeable,<sup>8</sup> beyond our full understanding,<sup>9</sup> present everywhere,<sup>10</sup> almighty,<sup>11</sup> knowing everything,<sup>12</sup> completely wise,<sup>13</sup> completely holy,<sup>14</sup> completely just,<sup>15</sup> completely merciful and gracious, patient, and overflowing with goodness and truth.<sup>16</sup>**

1. *Jn 4.24*; 2. *1 Kgs 8.27, Is 40.20, Ex 3.14, Job 11.7-9*; 3.  
*Acts 7.2*; 4. *1 Tm 6.15*; 5. *Mt 5.48*; 6. *Acts 17.24-25, Gn 17.1*; 7. *Ps 90.2*;  
8. *Mal 3.6, Jas 1.17*; 9. *1 Kgs 8.27, Rom 11.33*; 10.  
*Jer 23.24, Ps 139*; 11. *Rv 4.8*; 12. *Heb 4.13, Ps 147.5*; 13.  
*Rom 16.27*; 14. *Is 6.3, Rev 15.4*; 15. *Dt 32.4*; 16. *Ex 34.6*.

Q. 8. Is there more than one God?

**A. There is only one, the living and true  
God.<sup>1</sup>**

*1. Dt 6.4, 1 Cor 8.4,6, Jer 10.10.*

# Old Testament Scripture Reading

*Proverbs 24:17-34*

*Children age PreK-1st Grade  
Are dismissed for Children's Church*

# We Worship God with Our Tithes and Offerings

*“Let each one do just as he has purposed in his heart; not grudgingly or under compulsion; for God loves a cheerful giver.”*

*~ 2 Corinthians 9:7~*

**Hymn #797**

*“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”*

**Come, ye thankful people, come;**

**Raise the song of harvest home;**

**All is safely gathered in**

**ere the winter storms begin.**

**God, our Maker, doth provide**

**for our wants to be supplied.**

**Come to God's own temple, come;**

**Raise the song of harvest home.**



**All the world is God's own field,**

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**Fruit unto His praise to yield;**

**Wheat and tares together sown,**

**Unto joy or sorrow grown.**

**First the blade, and then the ear,**

**Then the full corn shall appear;**

**Lord of harvest, grant that we**

**Wholesome grain and pure may be.**

**For the Lord our God shall come,**

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**And shall take His harvest home;**

**From His field shall in that day**

**all offenses purge away.**

**Give His angels charge at last**

**In the fire the tares to cast,**

**But the fruitful ears to store**

**In His garner evermore.**

**Even so, Lord, quickly come  
To Thy final harvest-home;  
Gather Thou Thy people in,  
Free from sorrow, free from sin.**

**There forever purified  
In Thy presence to abide.**

**Come, with all Thine angels come;  
Raise the glorious harvest home.**

**Prayer for God's Provision**



# **The Doxology**

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## **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.**

# **New Testament Scripture Reading**

*Hebrews 10:1-18*

**Pastoral Prayer**

*(Led by Pastor)*

**THE LORD SPEAKS TO US  
THROUGH HIS WORD**



# Scripture Reading

*1 John 3:1-10*

# Sermon

*“Don’t Sin Habitually,  
You New People in Christ”*

*Pastor Theo van Blerk*

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*Prayer*

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**GOD'S PEOPLE  
RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**Hymn #466**

***“Jesus, Our Lord and King”***

**Jesus, our Lord and King,  
To You our praises rise;  
To You our bodies we present,  
A living sacrifice.**

**Now justified by grace  
And made alive to God,  
Formed for Yourself to show Your praise,  
We sound Your love abroad.**

**As dead indeed to sin,  
We rise to walk anew,  
Henceforth, as not our own, but Yours,  
We follow only You.**



**Baptized into Your death,  
With You again we rise,  
To newness of a life of faith,  
To new and endless joys.**

**THE LORD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT**

## **The Blessing to God's People**

**Now may the God of peace, Who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with every good thing to do His will. And may He accomplish in us what is pleasing in His sight through Jesus Christ, to Whom be glory forever and ever. *Hebrews 13:20-21***

Christ is Risen

He Is Risen, Indeed!