

PROCLAIMING WHAT WE BELIEVE WITH THE APOSTLES CREED:

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 is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.

↓ GIVING OF OURSELVES TO GOD IN THANKSGIVING

OFFERING OF MUSIC *Offertory on "Pleading Savior"*

↑ GIVING GLORY TO GOD

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

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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.

PRAYER DEDICATING OUR GIFTS TO GOD'S WORK

↓ PRAYING FOR GOD'S MERCY

We especially pray for ...

We give you thanks for all that is good in our lives and all that you have given to us. May we have wisdom and strength to follow and do your will.

We thank you especially for ...

We pray all these prayers and the prayers deep within as we pray with all of the saints in every time and every place the prayer your Son taught us, and we are bold to pray:

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory now and forever. Amen.

BEING SENT FORTH TO LOVE AS CHRIST LOVES US

↑ GIVING THANKS TO GOD IN SONG

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

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CHARGE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Go Forth in Triumph

THE HOUR OF WORSHIP HAS ENDED;

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE OTHERS

NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS

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*Making Disciples -
Making a Difference*

*I listen carefully to what
God the Lord is saying, for
he speaks peace to his
faithful people.*

-Psalms 85:8

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WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

*Grant, O Lord Jesus,
that the ears which have heard the voice of your songs
may be closed to the voice of dispute;
that the eyes which have seen your great love
may also behold your blessed hope;
that the tongues which have sung your praise
may speak the truth in love;
that the feet which have walked in your courts
may walk in the region of light;
and that the bodies which have received your living body
may be restored in newness of life.
Glory to you for your inexpressible gift. Amen.
- Liturgy of Malabar (5th Century)*

↑Please stand, as you are able. ↓Please be seated.

GATHERING

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

QUIETING OUR HEARTS AND MINDS *(Responsive)*

The Lord be with you!
And also with you.

Let us quiet our hearts and our minds as we gather together to worship the Lord.

PRELUDE

But the Lord Is Mindful of His Own

GATHERING AS THE BODY OF CHRIST *(Adapted from Psalm 30)*

*Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,
for he will speak peace to his people,
to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts.*
**Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land.**

*Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;
righteousness and peace will kiss each other.*
**Faithfulness will spring up from the ground,
and righteousness will look down from the sky.**

*The LORD will give what is good,
and our land will yield its increase.*
**Righteousness will go before him,
and will make a path for his steps.**

Thanks be to God!

↑GIVING PRAISE TO GOD IN SONG

For You Are My God

vs. 1, 2 & 4

↓CALL TO ADMIT OUR SINS AND TO TURN TO GOD

Even our best intentions go awry when we are not at one with God's purpose. Our gracious God journeys with us and provides for us with unending mercy, patience, and kindness, so that when we repent, we find ourselves forgiven. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sins against God and neighbor.

ADMITTING OUR SINS AND TURNING TO GOD IN PRAYER *(Unison)*

Eternal God, your steadfast love endures forever. We confess that we act as if we are in control and as if you will bless whatever we do. If we think of others at all, it is with an eye towards their usefulness to us. If we consider your creation, it is to ponder what benefits us. We have failed to show your love or to do justice in obedience to you.

(cont'd)

Lord, have mercy. Forgive our sins, we humbly pray. Put the mind of Christ within us, O God, so that our lives take the form of a cross. Use us to break down walls of hostility within the church, among our communities, and around the world. Transform our hearts to seek to do your will in all things.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

THE GOOD NEWS OF GOD'S GRACE AND FORGIVENESS *(Responsive)*

Hear the good news! Our Lord Jesus gives us rest and peace. Our Master's touch heals us and his shed blood is our salvation. In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

↑GIVING GLORY TO GOD

Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)

GTG #581

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.

SHARING THE PEACE OF JESUS CHRIST *(Responsive)*

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Let us live by and be guided by the Holy Spirit in all things, including how we treat one another.

The peace of the Lord be with you all.
And also with you.

Please exchange the peace of our Lord with one another in the way you are comfortable.

↑GIVING PRAISE TO GOD IN SONG

Surely It is God Who Saves Me

GTG #71, vs. 1 & 3

↓DUET

Thine Is the Glory

Betsy Sursoky
& Paul Holland

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

↓PRAYER FOR THE GUIDANCE AND WISDOM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Holy Spirit, come and dwell in us. Place Jesus Christ in us so that he is the cornerstone holding us together. Give us ears to hear what you will say to us and give us hearts open to what you will have us do. We pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

The Book of Amos 7:7-15

GATHERING OF THE CHILDREN

SCRIPTURE READING

The Apostle Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 1:3-14

SERMON

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

↑RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD IN SONG

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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