

# Bulletin for Worship

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### **Call to Worship**

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Come into this place of God's love and be restored in your soul. Christ's healing love is here for everyone who opens their hearts and abides by Jesus' instruction. We only need to open our hearts and listen, and our Lord will bless us with peace.

### **Glory to God Hymnal #2 "Come Thou Almighty King"**

Come, thou almighty King,  
help us thy name to sing;  
help us to praise:  
Father, all glorious,  
o'er all victorious,  
come, and reign over us,  
Ancient of Days.

Come, thou incarnate Word,  
merciful, mighty Lord,  
our prayer attend.  
Come, and thy people bless,  
and give thy word success;  
Spirit of holiness,  
on us descend.

Come, holy Comforter,  
thy sacred witness bear  
in this glad hour.  
Thou who almighty art,  
now rule in every heart,  
and ne'er from us depart,  
Spirit of power.

To thee, great One in Three,  
eternal praises be,  
hence evermore!  
Thy sovereign majesty  
may we in glory see,  
and to eternity  
love and adore.

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*TEXT: Collection of Hymns for Social Worship, 1757, alt.*

*MUSIC (ITALIAN HYMN 6.6.4.6.6.6.4): Felice de Gardini, 1769, alt.*

## **Prayer of Adoration**

### **Prayer of Confession**

Lord of Mercy, there are so many times in our lives when we feel alone. We wonder where you are. We cry out to you in our confusion, pain, and hurt. And when you do not immediately grant the prayers of our cries, we begin to doubt that you even care or exist. Stop us from going down this path of self-destruction. Help us look around and find the many ways in which you have blessed our lives. Forgive us when we are so quick to doubt and so arrogant in our demands of your responses. Give us a spirit of patience and willingness to be ready to hear your voice. Strengthen us for the ministries of love and hope that you have placed before us; for we ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

### **Assurance of Hope and Forgiveness**

Even in the midst of doubt and darkness, the light of God is shining in you, on you, and through you. Out of God's great love, you have been redeemed and made whole. Rejoice, beloved of God!

### **The Presbyterian Hymnal #579 "Gloria Patri"**

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.

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*Glory Be to the Father*

*TEXT: Trad. liturgical text. Composer: Henry W. Greatorex (1851)*

### **Scripture Readings: Acts 17:22-31**

<sup>22</sup> Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, 'Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. <sup>23</sup>For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, "To an unknown god." What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. <sup>24</sup>The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, <sup>25</sup>nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. <sup>26</sup>From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, <sup>27</sup>so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us.

<sup>28</sup> For "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said,

"For we too are his offspring."

<sup>29</sup> Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. <sup>30</sup>While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, <sup>31</sup>because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in

righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.'

John 14:15-21

<sup>15</sup> 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. <sup>17</sup>This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

<sup>18</sup> 'I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. <sup>19</sup>In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup>On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup>They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.

Message:  
Prayer

"Where Our Life Comes From"

*Pastor Jack Harrison*

***Organ Music "Holy, Holy, Holy 2<sup>nd</sup> Movement by Piet Post***

### **Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

#### **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.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

### **Sending Hymn** The Presbyterian Hymnal #439 "In Christ There is no East or West"

In Christ there is no east or west,

In Him no south or north;

But one great fellowship of love

Throughout the whole wide earth.

In Christ shall true hearts everywhere

Their high communion find;

His service is the golden cord,

Close-binding humankind.

Join hands, disciples of the faith,

Whate'er your race may be.

All children of the living God

Are surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both east and west,  
In Him meet south and north;  
All Christly souls are one in Him  
Throughout the whole wide earth.

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*MUSIC (ST. PETER, CM): Alexander Robert Reinagle, 1836*

## **Benediction**