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# Order of Worship

## Call to Worship & Prayer of Praise

Psalm 27

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh, my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall.

## Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.

#### For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;

He will conceal me under the cover of his tent;

He will lift me high upon a rock.

And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the LORD.

## Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud;

be gracious to me and answer me!

You have said, "Seek my face." My heart says to you, "Your face, LORD, do I seek." Hide not your face from me.

## Turn not your servant away in anger,

O you who have been my help.

Cast me not off; forsake me not, O God of my salvation! For my father and my mother have forsaken me, but the LORD will take me in.

## Teach me your way, O LORD,

and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.

Give me not up to the will of my adversaries; for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe out violence.

## I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living!

Wait for the LORD; Be strong, and let your heart take courage;

#### Wait for the LORD!

## **Hymns of Praise**

#### THE SOLID ROCK (Hymn #511)

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand – All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness seems to hide His face, I rest on His unchanging grace; In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.

His oath, His covenant, His blood support me in the whelming flood; When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh may I then in Him be found; Dressed in His righteousness alone, Faultless o stand before the throne.

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#### COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING (HYMN #98)

Come thou fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing thy grace Streams of mercy never ceasing Call for songs of loudest praise Teach me some melodious sonnet Sung by flaming tongues above Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it – Mount of thy redeeming love

Here I raise my Ebenezer, Hither by thy help I come And I hope by thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee Prone to wander Lord I feel it, prone to leave the God I love Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above

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## **Scripture Reading**

#### **2 CHRONICLES 6:12-42**

Then Solomon stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all the assembly of Israel and spread out his hands. <sup>13</sup> Solomon had made a bronze platform five cubits long, five cubits wide, and three cubits high, and had set it in the court, and he stood on it. Then he knelt on his knees in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands toward heaven, <sup>14</sup> and said, "O LORD, God of Israel, there is no God like you, in heaven or on earth, keeping covenant and showing steadfast love to your servants who walk before you with all their heart, <sup>15</sup> who have kept with your servant David my father what you declared to him. You spoke with your mouth, and with your hand have fulfilled it this day. <sup>16</sup> Now therefore, O LORD, God of Israel, keep for your servant David my father what you have promised him, saying, 'You shall not lack a man to sit

before me on the throne of Israel, if only your sons pay close attention to their way, to walk in my law as you have walked before me.' <sup>17</sup> Now therefore, O LORD, God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you have spoken to your servant David.

<sup>18</sup> "But will God indeed dwell with man on the earth? Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, how much less this house that I have built! <sup>19</sup> Yet have regard to the prayer of your servant and to his plea, O LORD my God, listening to the cry and to the prayer that your servant prays before you, <sup>20</sup> that your eyes may be open day and night toward this house, the place where you have promised to set your name, that you may listen to the prayer that your servant offers toward this place. <sup>21</sup> And listen to the pleas of your servant and of your people Israel, when they pray toward this place. And listen from heaven your dwelling place, and when you hear, forgive.

<sup>22</sup> "If a man sins against his neighbor and is made to take an oath and comes and swears his oath before your altar in this house, <sup>23</sup> then hear from heaven and act and judge your servants, repaying the guilty by bringing his conduct on his own head, and vindicating the righteous by rewarding him according to his righteousness.

<sup>24</sup> "If your people Israel are defeated before the enemy because they have sinned against you, and they turn again and acknowledge your name and pray and plead with you in this house, <sup>25</sup> then hear from heaven and forgive the sin of your people Israel and bring them again to the land that you gave to them and to their fathers.

<sup>26</sup> "When heaven is shut up and there is no rain because they have sinned against you, if they pray toward this place and acknowledge your name and turn from their sin, when you afflict them, <sup>27</sup> then hear in heaven and forgive the sin of your servants, your people Israel, when you teach them the good way in which they should walk, and grant rain upon your land, which you have given to your people as an inheritance.

<sup>28</sup> "If there is famine in the land, if there is pestilence or blight or mildew or locust or caterpillar, if their enemies besiege them in the land at their gates, whatever plague, whatever sickness there is, <sup>29</sup> whatever prayer, whatever plea is made by any man or by all your people Israel, each knowing his own affliction and his own sorrow and stretching out his hands toward this house, <sup>30</sup> then hear from heaven your dwelling place and forgive and render to each whose heart you know, according to all his ways, for you, you only, know the hearts of the children of mankind, <sup>31</sup> that they may fear you and walk in your ways all the days that they live in the land that you gave to our fathers.

<sup>32</sup> "Likewise, when a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel, comes from a far country for the sake of your great name and your mighty hand and your outstretched arm, when he comes and prays toward this house, <sup>33</sup> hear from heaven your dwelling place and do according to all for which the foreigner calls to you, in order that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your people Israel, and that they may know that this house that I have built is called by your name.

<sup>34</sup> "If your people go out to battle against their enemies, by whatever way you shall send them, and they pray to you toward this city that you have chosen and the house that I have built for your name, <sup>35</sup> then hear from heaven their prayer and their plea, and maintain their cause.

<sup>36</sup> "If they sin against you—for there is no one who does not sin—and you are angry with them and give them to an enemy, so that they are carried away captive to a land far or near, <sup>37</sup> yet if they turn their heart in the land to which they have been carried captive, and repent and plead with you in the land of their captivity, saying, 'We have sinned and have acted perversely and wickedly,' <sup>38</sup> if they repent with all their heart and with all their soul in the land of their captivity to which they were carried captive, and pray toward their land, which you gave to their fathers, the city that you have chosen and the house that I have built for your name, <sup>39</sup> then hear from heaven your dwelling place their prayer and their pleas, and maintain their cause and forgive your people who have sinned against you. <sup>40</sup> Now, O my God, let your eyes be open and your ears attentive to the prayer of this place.

<sup>41</sup> "And now arise, O LORD God, and go to your resting place, you and the ark of your might.

Let your priests, O LORD God, be clothed with salvation, and let your saints rejoice in your goodness.

<sup>42</sup>O LORD God, do not turn away the face of your anointed one! Remember your steadfast love for David your servant."

## **Prayer of Confession**

## **Hymn of Response**

#### BY GRACE ALONE (Ward)

Out of the depths I cry to You...Lord, hear my voice of pleading; Bend down Your gracious ear, I pray,...Your humble servant heeding. If You remember each misdeed, And of each thought and word take heed, Who can remain before You? Only by grace, by grace alone.

Your pardon is a gift of love...Your grace alone must save us, Our works will not remove our guilt; The strictest life would fail us. Let none in deeds or merits boast, But let us own the Holy Ghost For He alone can change us: Only by grace, by grace alone.

Though great our sins and sore our woes. His grace much more aboundeth; His helping love no limit knows, Our utmost need it soundeth. Our kind and faithful Shepherd He, Who will set all His people free From all their sin and sorrow: Only by grace, by grace alone.

## **Scripture Readings**

#### JOHN 2:13-17

<sup>13</sup> The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. <sup>15</sup> And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. <sup>16</sup> And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade." <sup>17</sup> His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

#### **EPHESIANS 2:11-22**

<sup>11</sup> Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands—<sup>12</sup> remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup> But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup> For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility <sup>15</sup> by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, <sup>16</sup> and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. <sup>17</sup> And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. <sup>18</sup> For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup> So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup> built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, <sup>21</sup> in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. <sup>22</sup> In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

## "PURIFYING GOD'S HOUSE"

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							(Mt. 21:13)		
	B. The Wrath of God's Son (Jn 2:17)								
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III. THE PURIFICATION OF GOD'S HOUSE									
A. Christ's Zeal for God's True House (Eph. 2:11-22)									
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B. Christ Purifies God's True House (Jam 1:27; 1 Jn 2:15-									
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## **Hymn of Response**

#### TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE (HYMN #534)

Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;

Take my hands and let them move

At the impulse of Thy love, At the impulse of Thy love.

Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee;

Take my voice and let me sing

Always, only, for my King, Always, only, for my King.

Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold;

Take my moments and my days,

Let them flow in ceaseless praise, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine;

Take my heart, it is Thine own,

It shall be Thy royal throne, It shall be Thy royal throne.

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#### **Prayers of the Church**

#### **Doxology & Prayer of Dedication**

## **Closing Hymn**

#### WE'RE MARCHING TO ZION (Hymn #392)

Come, we that love the Lord, And let our joys be known; Join in a song with sweet accord, Join in a song with sweet accord And thus surround the throne, And thus surround the throne.

We're marching to Zion, Beautiful, beautiful Zion; We're marching upward to Zion, The beautiful city of God.

Let those refuse to sing, Who never knew our God; But children of the heav'nly King, But children of the heav'nly King May speak their joys abroad, May speak their joys abroad.

The hill of Zion yields A thousand sacred sweets Before we reach the heav'nly fields, Before we reach the heav'nly fields, Or walk the golden streets, Or walk the golden streets.

Then let our songs abound, And every tear be dry; We're marching through Immanuel's ground, We're marching through Immanuel's ground To fairer worlds on high, To fairer worlds on high.

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## Benediction