

People: For who in the skies above can compare with the LORD? Who is like the LORD among the heavenly beings?

Leader: In the council of the holy ones God is greatly feared; he is more awesome than all who surround him.

People: O LORD God Almighty, who is like you? You are mighty, O LORD, and your faithfulness surrounds you.

IN PRAYER

***WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 156 *O Lord, How Shall I Meet You*

***WE CONFESS OUR FAITH** The Apostles' Creed

Leader: Christian, what do you believe?

People: I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son,
our Lord, who was conceived by the
Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin
Mary. He suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, died, and was
buried; he descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from
the dead.

He ascended into heaven and is
seated at the right hand of God the
Father Almighty. From there he will
come to judge the living 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

***WE EXALT OUR LORD**

WORSHIP SONGS

*Creation Sings the Father's Song
Made Me Glad*

Leader: Therefore let everyone who is godly pray to you while you may be found; surely when the mighty waters rise, they will not reach him. You are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance. Psalm 32:6-7 (NIV)

Soli Deo Gloria

WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

WELCOME TO VISITORS

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Col. 3:18-19; Eph. 5:22-33

SERMON

A Husband's Responsibility

Colossians: The Sufficiency of Christ

Rev. Thomas E. Nicholas

WE COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PREPARATION

THE INVITATION

THE BREAD AND THE CUP

How Deep the Father's Love For Us

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

CLOSING HYMN/LOVE OFFERING **252**

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

*WORDS OF PEACE

Numbers 6:24-26 (NIV)

*The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you;
the LORD turn his face toward you
and give you peace.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE



SONG LYRICS

156 O Lord, How Shall I Meet You

O Lord, how shall I meet you,
how welcome you aright?
your people long to greet you,
my hope, my heart's delight!
O kindle, Lord Most Holy,
your lamp within my breast,
To do in spirit lowly
all that may please you best.

Love caused your incarnation,
love brought you down to me;
your thirst for my salvation
procured my liberty.
O love beyond all telling,
that led you to embrace
In love all love excelling
our lost and fallen race!

Rejoice, then, you sad-hearted,
who sit in deepest gloom,
who mourn o'er joys departed
and tremble at your doom.
Despair not, he is near you,
yea, standing at the door,
who best can help and cheer you
and bids you weep no more.

Sin's debt, that fearful burden,
let not your souls distress;
your guilt the Lord will pardon
and cover by his grace.
He comes, for men procuring
the peace of sin forgiv'n,
for all God's sons securing
their heritage in heav'n.

Creation Sings

Creation sings the Father's song
He calls the sun to wake the dawn
And run the course of day
Till evening comes in crimson rays
His fingerprints in flakes of snow
His breath upon this spinning globe
He charts the eagle's flight
Commands the newborn baby's cry

Hallelujah Let all creation stand and sing
Hallelujah Fill the earth with songs of worship
Tell the wonders of creation's King

Creation gazed upon His face
The ageless One in time's embrace
Unveiled the Father's plan
Of reconciling God and man
A second Adam walked the earth
Whose blameless life would break the curse
Whose death would set us free
To live with Him eternally

Hallelujah Let all creation stand and sing
Hallelujah Fill the earth with songs of worship
Tell the wonders of creation's King

Creation longs for His return
When Christ shall reign upon the earth
The bitter wars that rage
Are birth pains of a coming age
When He renews the land and sky
All heaven will sing and earth reply
With one resplendent theme
The glory of our God and King

Hallelujah Let all creation stand and sing
Hallelujah Fill the earth with songs of worship
Tell the wonders of creation's King

Made Me Glad

I will bless the Lord forever.
I will trust him at all times.
He has delivered me from all fear.
He has set my feet upon a rock,

And I will not be moved. And I'll say of the Lord:
You are my shield,
My strength, my portion, Deliverer,
My shelter, strong tower,
My very present help in time of need.

I will bless the Lord forever.
I will trust him at all times.
Whom have I in heaven but you?
There's none I desire beside you,
And you have made me glad.
And I'll say of the Lord:
You are my shield,
My strength, my portion, Deliverer,
My shelter, strong tower,
My very present help. You are my shield,
My strength, my portion, Deliverer,
My shelter, strong tower,
My very present help in time of need.

Soli Deo Gloria

Let the mountain maker come and take His place
Let the ocean in our hearts be still and wait
For the coming of our King, For the wonders that He brings
Let His majesty shine, And be lifted on high

When You move, there's nothing left to do
but stand in awe and wonder
You're like no other
When You speak, all power is released
We stand in awe and wonder, There is no other
You're the champion and confidence of earth
In Your presence, we're reminded of our worth

We've been chosen by our King
Feel the wonders that He brings
Let His majesty shine, And be lifted on high
When You move, there's nothing left to do
but stand in awe and wonder, You're like no other
When You speak, all power is released
We stand in awe and wonder, There is no other

Glory to our God alone
Soli Deo gloria
You'll reign forever on Your throne
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How Deep the Father's Love for Us

How deep the father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That he should give his only Son,
And make a wretch his treasure.

How great the pain of searing loss,
The father turns his face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen one,
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon the cross,
My sin upon his shoulders,
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.

It was my sin that held him there
Until it was accomplished.
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast of anything
No gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom.
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.

Why should I gain from his reward?
I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart,
His wounds have paid my ransom.

252 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my God!
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down:
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.



Scripture Reading

Colossians 3:18-19 (NIV)

¹⁸ Wives, submit to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.

¹⁹ Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them.

Ephesians 5:22-33 (NIV)

²² Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord. ²³ For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. ²⁴ Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.

²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her ²⁶ to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, ²⁷ and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. ²⁸ In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹ After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cares for it, just as Christ does the church— ³⁰ for we are members of his body. ³¹ “For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.” ³² This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church. ³³ However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.