

Leader: The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed,
a stronghold in times of trouble.

People: **And those who know your name put their trust
in you,
for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who
seek you.**

Leader: Sing praises to the LORD

People: **Who sits enthroned in Zion! Tell among the
peoples his deeds!**

IN PRAYER

***WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 75

O Father, You Are Sovereign

WE CONFESS OUR FAITH

Ephesians 2:13-18 (ESV)

People: **But now in Christ Jesus, you who once were far
off have been brought near by the blood of
Christ. For he himself is our peace, who has
made us both one and has broken down in his
flesh the dividing wall of hostility, 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,
and might reconcile us both to God in one body
through the cross, thereby killing the hostility.
And he came and preached peace to you who
were far off, and peace to those who were near.
For through him we both have access in one
Spirit to the Father.**

***WE EXALT OUR LORD**

WORSHIP SONGS

*Great Things
Yes I Will*

Leader: For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom
his whole family in heaven and on earth derives its
name. I pray that out of his glorious riches he may
strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your
inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts

through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

Ephesians 3:14-19 (NIV)

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

WELCOME TO ALL

WE SEEK GOD'S FACE

Prayers of God's People

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Jonah 1:1-16 (ESV)

¹ Now the word of the Lord came to Jonah the son of Amittai, saying,² “Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it, for their evil has come up before me.”³ But Jonah rose to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the Lord. He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish. So he paid the fare and went down into it, to go with them to Tarshish, away from the presence of the Lord.

⁴ But the Lord hurled a great wind upon the sea, and there was a mighty tempest on the sea, so that the ship threatened to break up.⁵ Then the mariners were afraid, and each cried out to his god. And they hurled the cargo that was in the ship into the sea to lighten it for them. But Jonah had gone down into the inner part of the ship and had lain down and was fast asleep.⁶ So the captain came and said to him, “What do you mean, you sleeper? Arise, call out to your god! Perhaps the god will give a thought to us, that we may not perish.”

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upon us. What is your occupation? And where do you come from? What is your country? And of what people are you?"

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SERMON

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***WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE

*WORDS OF PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

God, Be Merciful to Me

SONG LYRICS

75 O Father, You Are Sovereign

O Father, You are sovereign
In all the worlds You made;
Your mighty Word was spoken,
And light and life obeyed.
Your voice commands the seasons
And bounds the ocean's shore,
Sets stars within their courses
And stills the tempests' roar.

O Father, You are sovereign
In all affairs of man;
No powers of death or darkness
Can thwart Your perfect plan.
All chance and change transcending,
Supreme in time and space,
You hold your trusting children
Secure in Your embrace.

O Father, You are sovereign
The Lord of human pain,
Transmuting earthly sorrows
To gold of heavenly gain,
All evil overruling,
As none but Conqueror could,
Your love pursues its purpose—
Our souls' eternal good.
O Father, You are sovereign!
We see You dimly now,
But soon before Your triumph
Earth's every knee shall bow.
With this glad hope before us
Our faith springs forth anew:
Our Sovereign Lord and Savior,
We trust and worship You!

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Great Things

Come let us worship our King
Come let us bow at His feet
He has done great things
See what our Savior has done
See how His love overcomes
He has done great things, He has done great things

Oh, hero of Heaven, You conquered the grave
You free every captive and break every chain
Oh God, You have done great things
We dance in Your freedom, awake and alive
Oh Jesus, our Savior, Your name lifted high
Oh God, You have done great things

You've been faithful through every storm
You'll be faithful forevermore
You have done great things And I know You will do it again
For Your promise is "Yes and amen"
You will do great things God, You do great things

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Yes I Will

I count on one thing
The same God that never fails
Will not fail me now
You won't fail me now
In the waiting
The same God who's never late
Is working all things out
You're working all things out

Yes I will lift You high
In the lowest valley
Yes I will bless Your name
Yes I will sing for joy

When my heart is heavy
All my days yes I will

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For all my days yes I will

I choose to praise
To glorify glorify
The name of all names
That nothing can stand against

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For all my days -Yes I will

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.

God, Be Merciful to Me

God, be merciful to me;
On thy grace I rest my plea
Plenteous in compassion thou,
Blot out my transgressions now;
Wash me, make me pure within;
Cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

Broken, humbled to the dust
By thy wrath and judgment just,
Let my contrite heart rejoice,
And in gladness hear thy voice;
From my sins O hide thy face,
Blot them out in boundless grace.

My transgressions I confess;
Grief and guilt my soul oppress.
I have sinned against thy grace,
And provoked thee to thy face.
I confess thy judgement just;
Speechless, I thy mercy trust.

I am evil, born in sin;
Thou desirest truth within.
Thou alone my Savior art,
Teach thy wisdom to my heart;
Make me pure, thy grace bestow,
Wash me whiter than the snow.

Gracious God, my heart renew,
Make my spirit right and true.
Cast me not away from thee,
Let thy Spirit dwell in me;
Thy salvation's joy impart,
Steadfast make my willing heart.

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