

**HYMN**.....“*All That I Was, My Sin, My Guilt*”

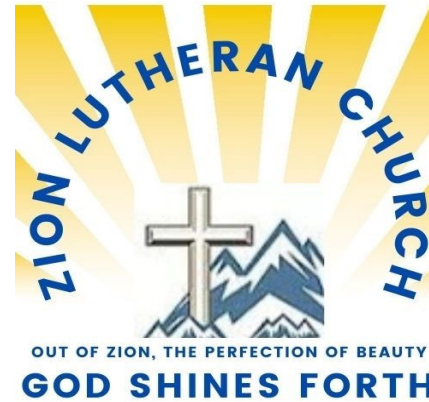
**All depends on our possessing  
God's abundant grace and blessing,  
Tho' all earthly wealth depart.  
He who trusts with faith unshaken  
In his God is not forsaken  
And e'er keeps a dauntless heart.**

**Many spend their lives in fretting  
Over trifles and in getting  
Things that have no solid ground.  
I shall strive to win a treasure  
That will bring me lasting pleasure  
And that now is seldom found.**

**Well He knows what best to grant me;  
All the longing hopes that haunt me,  
Joy and sorrow, have their day.  
I shall doubt His wisdom never--  
As God wills, so be it ever--  
I to Him commit my way. Amen.**

**THE BENEDICTION:**

*P: The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious  
to you;  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give  
you peace.  
Cong: Amen.*



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## The Order of Worship

**OPENING PRAYER:** *We ask the Lord's blessings on our worship.*

**HYMN**.....“*Lord of My Life, Whose Tender Care*”

**Lord of my life, whose tender care  
Hath led me on till now,  
Here lowly, at the hour of prayer  
Before Thy throne I bow.  
I bless Thy gracious hand and pray  
Forgiveness for another day.**

**Oh, may I daily, hourly, strive  
In heav'nly grace to grow,  
To Thee and to Thy glory live,  
Dead to all else below!  
Tread in the path my Savior trod,  
Tho' thorny, yet the path of God.**

**With prayer my humble praise I bring  
For mercies day by day.  
Lord, teach my heart Thy love to sing;  
Lord, teach me how to pray.  
All that I have and am, to Thee  
I offer through eternity. Amen.**

### **INVOCATION**

*P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

**Cong: Amen.**

### **CONFESSION OF SINS & ABSOLUTION:**

*P: It is good to sing praises to our God and to worship Him for His mighty deeds. Yet, this is the one on whom He will look with favor: he who is humble and contrite in spirit and who trembles at His Word. Then let us con-*

**Oh, spread Thy covering wings around  
Till all our wanderings cease  
And at our Father's loved abode  
Our souls arrive in peace. Amen.**

### **THE SERMON:** Matthew 6:24-34

(ESV) "No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money. (25) "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? (26) Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? (27) And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? (28) And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, (29) yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. (30) But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? (31) Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' (32) For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. (33) But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. (34) "Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

## **Undivided Loyalties**

**THE PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER:** *We offer our petitions to the Lord and join in the prayer our Lord taught us.*

good things with the one who teaches. (7) Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. (8) For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. (9) And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. (10) So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

**CONFESSION OF FAITH:**

**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,  
Born of the virgin Mary,  
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 Christian Church, the communion of saints,  
The forgiveness of sins,  
The resurrection of the body,  
And the life everlasting. Amen.**

**HYMN.....“O God of Jacob, By Whose Hand”**

**O God of Jacob, by whose hand  
Thy people still are fed;  
Who thro' this weary pilgrimage  
Hast all our Fathers led.**

*fess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy and forgiveness for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

**Cong: Most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake forgive us all our sin. By Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word so that by Your grace we might come to everlasting life through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

*P: God our heavenly Father has been merciful to us and has given His only-begotten Son to die for us as the atoning sacrifice for our sins. To them that believe on His name He gives the right to be called children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.*

**Cong: Amen.**

**GLORY TO GOD (Psalm 3)**

*Many are they, O Lord, who trouble me.  
Many are they who rise up against me.  
Many are they who say of me,  
“There is no help for Him in God.”*

**Refrain**

**But You, O Lord, are a shield for me,  
My glory, and the One who lifts up my head.  
I cried to the Lord with my voice,  
And He heard me from His holy hill.**

*I lay down to sleep; I awoke,  
For the Lord sustained me.  
I will not fear ten thousand men,  
Who set themselves against me all around.*

**Refrain**

**For You, O Lord, are a shield for me,  
My glory, and the One who lifts up my head.  
I cried to the Lord with my voice,  
And He heard me from His holy hill.**

*Arise, O Lord; Save me, O my God,  
For You have struck down my enemies.  
You have silenced the ungodly man.  
Salvation belongs to the Lord.*

**Refrain**

**For You, O Lord, are a shield for me,  
My glory, and the One who lifts up my head.  
I cried to the Lord with my voice,  
And He heard me from His holy hill.**

*Glory be to God our heavenly Father  
Glory be to God the world's Redeemer.  
Glory be to God the Comforter  
Jehovah, forever Three in One!*

**Refrain**

**Yes You, O Lord, are a shield for me,  
My glory, and the One who lifts up my head.  
I cried to the Lord with my voice,  
And He heard me from His holy hill.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*P: Lord Jesus Christ, the Author and Finisher of our faith, we pray that, as You are the Head of the Church and the Savior of the body, You would so rule and govern our hearts by Your grace that we might live in a constant state of repentance and faith in You so that we might walk the way of the commandments in godly fear and trust. Continually hold before our hearts the cross on which You laid down Your life as our substitute so that in the midst of temptations within and without we might cling to You as our only hope for eternal life; You who live with the Father and the Holy Spirit—one God, forever and ever.*

**Cong: Amen.**

**FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: 1 Kings 17:8-17**

(ESV) Then the word of the LORD came to him, (9) "Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you." (10) So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink." (11) And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." (12) And she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die." (13) And Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. (14) For thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, 'The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the LORD sends rain upon the earth.'" (15) And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. (16) The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah. (17) After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill. And his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him.

**SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Galatians 5:25-6:10**

(ESV) If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit. (26) Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another. (6:1) Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. (2) Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. (3) For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. (4) But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. (5) For each will have to bear his own load. (6) Let the one who is taught the word share all