

Thou Lamb of Calvary,  
Savior divine.  
Now hear me while I pray;  
Take all my guilt away;  
Oh, let me from this day  
Be wholly Thine!

May Thy rich grace impart  
Strength to my fainting heart;  
My zeal inspire!  
As Thou hast died for me,  
Oh, may my love to Thee  
Pure, warm, and changeless be,  
A living fire!

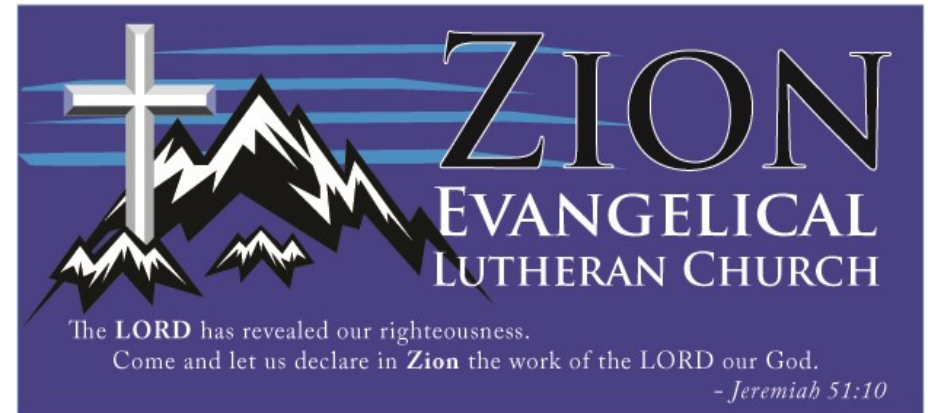
While life's dark maze I tread  
And griefs around me spread,  
Be Thou my Guide.  
Bid darkness turn to day,  
Wipe sorrow's tears away,  
Nor let me ever stray  
From Thee aside.

When ends life's transient dream,  
When death's cold, sullen stream  
Shall o'er me roll,  
Blest Savior, then, in love,  
Fear and distrust remove;  
Oh, bear me safe above,  
A ransomed soul! Amen.

#### THE BENEDICTION

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

**Cong: Amen!**



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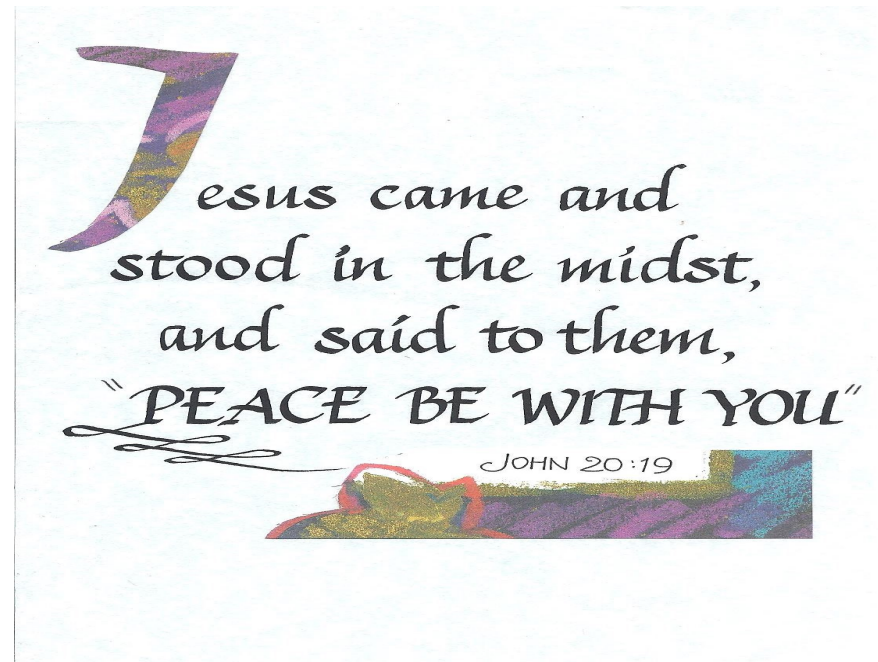
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## The Order of Worship

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

**HYMN:** #352.....“O Savior, Precious Savior”

O Savior, precious Savior,  
Whom, yet unseen, we love;  
O Name of might and favor,  
All other names above,  
We worship Thee, we bless Thee,  
To Thee, O Christ, we sing;  
We praise Thee and confess Thee  
Our holy Lord and King.

O Bringer of salvation,  
Who wondrously hast wrought,  
Thyself the revelation  
Of love beyond our thought,  
We worship Thee, we bless Thee,  
To Thee, O Christ, we sing;  
We praise Thee and confess Thee  
Our gracious Lord and King.

In Thee all fulness dwelleth,  
All grace and pow'r divine;  
The glory that excelleth,  
O Son of God, is Thine.  
We worship Thee, we bless Thee,  
To Thee, O Christ, we sing;  
We praise Thee and confess Thee  
Our glorious Lord and King.

Oh, grant the consummation  
Of this our song above

**Foul, I to the fountain fly--  
Wash me, Savior, or I die!**

**While I draw this fleeting breath,  
When mine eyelids close in death,  
When I soar to worlds unknown,  
See Thee on Thy judgment throne,  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in Thee! Amen.**

**THE SERMON:** John 15:1-8

(ESV) "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. (2) Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. (3) Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. (4) Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. (5) I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. (6) If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. (7) If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. (8) By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.

## Connected to Jesus

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

**HYMN:** #394.....“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

**My faith looks up to Thee,**

**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: #376.....“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”**

**Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in Thee;  
Let the water and the blood  
From Thy riven side which flowed  
Be of sin the double cure,  
Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.**

**Not the labors of my hands  
Can fulfil Thy Law's demands;  
Could my zeal no respite know,  
Could my tears forever flow,  
All for sin could not atone;  
Thou must save, and Thou alone.**

**Nothing in my hand I bring,  
Simply to Thy cross I cling;  
Naked, come to Thee for dress;  
Helpless, look to Thee for grace;**

**In endless adoration,  
And everlasting love!  
Then shall we praise and bless Thee  
Where perfect praises ring  
And evermore confess Thee,  
Our Savior and our King. 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: God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.*

**Cong: If we walk in the light as He is in the light,  
we have fellowship with one another, and the  
blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all  
sin.**

*P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the  
truth is not in us.*

**Cong: If we confess our sins, He is faithful and  
just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from  
all unrighteousness.**

*P: Then let us confess our sins to God in prayer and seek  
His forgiveness for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.*

**Cong: Almighty God, merciful Father, we are sin-  
ful by nature and have sinned against you in our  
thoughts, words, and actions. But we are sorry  
for our transgressions and pray You, of Your  
bountiful mercy, to be gracious and merciful unto  
us. Forgive us for Jesus' sake, renew us by Your  
Spirit, and lead us in the way everlasting. Amen.**

*P: Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and  
not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole  
world. We are forgiven. With boldness and confidence*

*we may approach the throne to find grace to help in every need. In the peace of forgiveness let us praise the Lord.*

**Cong: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*P: Almighty God, we pray that we who have once again celebrated the victory of our Lord's resurrection may, by the power of Your grace, bring forth the fruits of that victory in our life and conduct. That we might do so, give to us the peace of Christ so that we fear neither any evil in this life nor eternal condemnation in that which is to come; through Jesus Christ Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.*

**Cong: Amen.**

#### **OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 12:1-6**

(ESV) You will say in that day: "I will give thanks to you, O LORD, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, that you might comfort me. (2) "Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation." (3) With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. (4) And you will say in that day: "Give thanks to the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted. (5) "Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. (6) Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

#### **NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: James 1:12-27**

(ESV) Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love

him. (13) Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. (14) But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. (15) Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death. (16) Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. (17) Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. (18) Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures. (19) Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; (20) for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God. (21) Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. (22) But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. (23) For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. (24) For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. (25) But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing. (26) If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless. (27) Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

#### **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**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,**