



**A Service of Praise and Thanksgiving to God  
for the gift of Eternal Life given to**

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**THE INVOCATION**

**P** Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. If we have been united with Him in His death, we will certainly also be united with Him in His resurrection.

In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**P** God will wipe away all tears from their eyes: And there shall be no more death, neither sorry nor crying. Neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things have passed away. Oh how glorious is that Kingdom of heaven. Wherein all the saints do rejoice with Christ! They are clothed with white robes and follow the Lamb wherever He goes.

**THE PSALMODY** Psalm 23

*The Lord's my Shepherd I shall not want.  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures,  
He leadeth me beside the still waters,  
He restoreth my soul,  
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness  
for His Name's sake.*



*Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil,*

*For Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me.*

*Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies.  
Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.*

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

*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.*

**THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

*Ecclesiastes 3:1-15 & John 14:1-7*

**SERMON HYMN** "The Old Rugged Cross"

**THE MESSAGE OF COMFORT AND HOPE** "We're Not Supposed To Be Here."

## THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He shall 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.

## THE CREED OF THE RESURRECTION

- P** I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, that you sorrow as others who have no hope.
- C** **If in this life only we have faith in Christ, we are to be pitied more than all men.**
- P** Most assuredly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it produces much grain.
- C** **He will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able to subdue all things to Himself.**
- P** This is the will of the Father Who sent Me, that of all those He has given Me I should lose none.
- C** **For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, we also believe God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus.**

## PRAYERS

- P** Let us pray. Lord Jesus, You wept at the grave of Your friend Lazarus, and You consoled Mary and Martha in their distress. Draw near to us who mourn for David, and dry the tears of all who weep. Calm our troubled hearts, dispel our doubts and fears, and lead us to praise You for having brought her to faith. In Your rising from the dead, You conquered death and opened the gate to eternal life. Strengthen us with Your Word, and lead us through this earthly life until at least we are united with You and all the saints in glory everlasting.
- C** **Amen.**
- P** God of all grace, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give You thanks that by His death He destroyed the power of death and by His resurrection opened the Kingdom of heaven to all believers. Strengthen us in the confidence that because Jesus lives we shall live also and that neither death nor life nor things present nor things to come will be able to separate us from Your love which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- C** **Amen.**



## LORDS PRAYER ANTHEM by Pastor Brian Stolarczyk

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.*

## THE BENEDICTION

- P** May The Lord Bless you and keep you, May the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May the Lord look upon you with His favor and give you His peace.
- C** **Amen.**

