



**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:

C **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.**

P Oh how glorious is that Kingdom of heaven.

C **Wherein all the saints do rejoice with Christ! They are clothed with white robes and follow the Lamb wherever He goes.**

OPENING SONG *“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”*

1. *What a friend we have in Jesus,
 All our sins and griefs to bear!
 What a privilege to carry
 Ev’rything to God in prayer!
 Oh, what peace we often forfeit;
 Oh, what needless pain we bear—
 All because we do not carry
 Ev’rything to God in prayer!*
2. *Have we trials and temptations?
 Is there trouble anywhere?
 We should never be discouraged—
 Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Can we find a friend so faithful
 Who will all our sorrows share?
 Jesus knows our ev’ry weakness—
 Take it to the Lord in prayer.*
3. *Are we weak and heavy laden,
 Cumbered with a load of care?
 Precious Savior, still our refuge—
 Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
 Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 In His arms He’ll take and shield thee;
 Thou wilt find a solace there.*



THE PSALMODY Psalm 23



P The Lord's my Shepherd I shall not want.

C **He maketh me to lie down in green pastures,
He leadeth me beside the still waters,**

P He restoreth my soul,

C **He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His Name's sake.**

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

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

P Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies.

C **Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.**

P Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

C **And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

C **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

Proverbs 3:1-6; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17; John 3:16-21

SERMON HYMN "How Great Thou Art"

1. *O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;* (Ref.)

Ref. *Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!*

3. *But when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in—
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin;* (Ref.)

4. *When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!"*



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THE MESSAGE OF COMFORT AND HOPE

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.

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 Dennis, 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.**

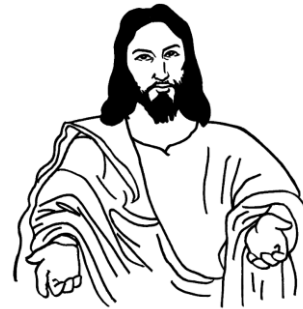
P God of all grace, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give You thanks that by His death He destroyed the power of death and by His resurrection opened the Kingdom of heaven to all believers. Strengthen us in the confidence that because Jesus lives 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.**



THE CLOSING HYMN *“Amazing Grace”*

1. ***Amazing grace—how sweet the sound—
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind but now I see!***
3. ***Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
His grace has brought me safe thus far,
His grace will lead me home.***
2. ***The Lord has promised good to me,
His Word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.***



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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.**