

THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP

“Let those refuse to sing, who never knew our God.” Isaac Watts

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10:45 AM

THE PRELUDE

THE GREETING OF THE CONGREGATION

Minister: The Lord be with you!

Congregation: And also with you!

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS-PASTOR BARNES

THE SERVICE OF PRAISE

THE CALL TO WORSHIP-*PSALM 18:1-3*

Minister: I love You, O Lord, my strength!

Congregation: The Lord is my Rock and my fortress and my deliverer!

Minister: My God, Rock, in whom I take refuge; my shield
and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold!

Congregation: I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised!

THE HYMN OF WORSHIP-*NO. 165*

Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

**Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
And publish abroad his wonderful name;
The name, all victorious, of Jesus extol;
His kingdom is glorious and rules over all.**

**God ruleth on high, almighty to save;
And still he is nigh – his presence we have.
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,
Ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.**

**Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!
Let all cry aloud and honor the Son.
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
Fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.**

**Then let us adore, and give him his right,
All glory and pow’r, and wisdom and might,
All honor and blessing, with angels above,
And thanks never ceasing for infinite love.**

THE INVOCATION

THE LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not
into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

THE HYMN OF DEVOTION
O For a Closer Walk with God

1. O for a clos-er walk with God, a calm and heav'n-ly
2. Re-turn, O ho-ly Dove, re - turn, sweet mess-en - ger of
frame, a light that shines up - on the road, rest; I hate the sins that made You mourn, and
lead - ing to the Lamb. Where is the bless-ed-ness I
drove You from my breast. The dear-est i - dol I have
3. So shall my walk be close with
knew when once I saw the Lord? Where
known, what - e'er that i - dol be, help
God, and calm., se - rene my frame. So
is the soul re - fresh - ing view liv - ing in His word?
me to tear it from Your throne, and wor-ship on - ly Thee.
pur - er light shall mark the road lead - ing to the Lamb.
A light to be my guide, the Fath - er's
pres - ence at my side. In Your will my rest I find. O
for a clos - er walk with God, lead - ing to the Lamb.

William Cowper (1731-1800), adapted by K. Getty

Keith Getty (2001)

THE PRESENTATIONS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE DOXOLOGY-NO. 733

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below, alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Amen.**

THE SERVICE OF FAITH

THE CONFESSION OF FAITH-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 Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic* church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

[*universal]

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

THE GLORIA PATRI- *NO. 735*

**Glory be to the Father,
And to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, amen.**

THE SCRIPTURE READING-*PSALM 119:33-40*

The Reader: The Word of the Lord!

The Congregation: Thanks be to God!

The Reader: May God's Word live in us!

The Congregation: And bear much fruit to His glory!

THE SERVICE OF PRAYER

THE PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

Minister: Let us pray that we will be filled
with reverent awe in the presence of our God!

**Congregation: Heavenly Father, thank You for giving us the perfect righteousness
of Your Law, as a gift of grace through the sacrifice of Jesus, so that we might follow Him as
our Lord and keep His commandments. As You give us understanding of Your law, and as You
incline our hearts to Your testimonies, establish Your word to Your servants, that we may be
filled with reverence in Your presence; this we ask in the Name of Jesus, Your eternal Son,
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

THE PSALM OF PREPARATION-*THE PSALTER 18A*

I Love You, Lord (*stanzas 1&2*)

**I love You, Lord! You are my strength:
The Lord, my rock, my fort, my pow'r,
My God, my hiding place, my shield,
My horn of safety and my tow'r.**

**I call upon the Lord for help,
For worthy of all praise is He;
And in this way I will be saved
And rescued from my enemy.**

THE PRAYERS OF ADORATION

THE PRIVATE PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

**Most merciful God, we humbly admit that we need your help. We confess that we have wandered from
your way: we have done wrong, and we have failed to do what is right. You alone can save us. Have
mercy on us: wipe out our sins and teach us to forgive others. Bring forth in us the fruit of the Spirit that
we may live as disciples of Christ. This we ask in the name of Jesus our Savior. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

THE PRAYERS OF SUPPLICATION

THE SERVICE OF WORD

THE HYMN OF WORSHIP-*NO. 146*

Break Thou the Bread of Life

**Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me,
As thou didst break the loaves beside the sea;
Throughout the sacred page I seek thee, Lord,
My spirit pants for thee, O living Word.**

**Bless thou the truth, dear Lord, to me, to me,
As thou didst bless the bread by Galilee;
Then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall;
And I shall find my peace, my All in all.**

**Thou art the Bread of Life, O Lord, to me,
Thy holy Word the truth that saveth me;
Give me to eat and live with thee above;
Teach me to love thy truth, for thou art love.**

**O send thy Spirit, Lord, now unto me,
That he may touch mine eyes and make me see:
Show me the truth concealed within thy Word,
And in thy Book revealed I see the Lord.**

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON-2 *KINGS 2:23-25*

THE SERMON-*THE REV. DR. RICHARD BELCHER*

“The Peril of a Lost Generation”

THE HYMN OF WORSHIP-*NO. 366*

My People, Give Ear, Attend to My Word (*stanzas 1-4*)

**My people, give ear, attend to my word, in parables new deep truths shall be heard;
The wonderful story our fathers made known to children succeeding by us must be shown.**

**Instructing our sons we gladly record the praises, the works, the might of the Lord,
For he has commanded that what he has done be passed in tradition from father to son.**

**Let children thus learn from history’s light to hope in our God and walk in his sight,
The God of their fathers to fear and obey, and ne’er like their fathers to turn from his way.**

**The story be told, to warn and restrain, of hearts that were hard, rebellious, and vain,
Of soldiers who faltered when battle was near, who kept not God’s cov’nant nor walked in his fear.**

THE BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

All are standing

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