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We long to see the grace of God magnified as he transforms us into a community that worships, witnesses, and walks in love.

Ordinary Time

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WELCOME AND INVOCATION

CALL TO WORSHIP - 1 Chronicles 16:34-36 (NIV)

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his love endures forever.

Cry out, "Save us, God our Savior;
gather us and deliver us from the nations,
that we may give thanks to your holy name,
and glory in your praise."

BE THOU MY VISION

Be thou my Vision,
O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me
Save that Thou art.
Thou my best thought
By day or by night,
Waking or sleeping
Thy presence my light.

Riches I heed not,
Nor man's empty praise.
Thou mine inheritance,
Now and always:
Thou and thou only
First in my heart:
High King of heaven,
My treasure Thou art.

Be Thou my wisdom,
And Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee
And Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father,
I thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling,
And I with Thee one.

High King of heaven,
My victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys,
O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart
Whatever befall,
Still be my Vision,
O Ruler of all.

words Ancient Irish Poem, ca. 8th cent. *music* Traditional Irish Melody

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM, LORD'S DAY 29

Q78. Are the bread and wine changed into the real body and blood of Christ?

A. No. Just as the water of baptism is not changed into Christ's blood and does not itself wash away sins but is simply God's sign and assurance, so too the bread of the Lord's Supper is not changed into the actual body of Christ even though it is called the body of Christ in keeping with the nature and language of sacraments.

Eph. 5:26; Tit. 3:5; Matt. 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 10:16-17; 11:26-28; Gen. 17:10-11; Ex. 12:11, 13; 1 Cor. 10:1-4

Q79. Why then does Christ call the bread his body and the cup his blood, or the new covenant in his blood? (Paul uses the words, a participation in Christ's body and blood.)

A. Christ has good reason for these words. He wants to teach us that as bread and wine nourish our temporal life, so too his crucified body and poured-out blood truly nourish our souls for eternal life. But more important, he wants to assure us, by this visible sign and pledge, that we, through the Holy Spirit's work, share in his true body and blood as surely as our mouths receive these holy signs in his remembrance, and that all of his suffering and obedience are as definitely ours as if we personally had suffered and paid for our sins.

John 6:51, 55; 1 Cor. 10:16-17; 11:26; Rom. 6:5-11

IN CHRIST ALONE

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This cornerstone this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My comforter, my all in all,
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones he came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid,
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again.
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine,
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty and most merciful Father,
We have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep.
We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.
We have offended against Your holy laws.
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done;
And we have done those things which we ought not to have done;
And there is nothing good in us.
O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders.
Spare those, O God, who confess their faults.
Restore those who are penitent;
According to Your promises declared unto men in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Grant that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of His name.
Amen

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT - Psalm 103:8, 10-12

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness.

He has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His lovingkindness toward those who fear Him.

As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.

LET US LOVE AND SING AND WONDER

Let us love and sing and wonder,
Let us praise the Saviour's name!
He has hushed the law's loud thunder,
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame,
He has washed us with His blood,
He has washed us with His blood,
He has washed us with His blood,
He has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord who bought us,
Pitied us when enemies,
Called us by His grace, and taught us,
Gave us ears and gave us eyes:
He has washed us with His blood,
He has washed us with His blood,
He has washed us with His blood,
He presents our souls to God.

Let us sing, though fierce temptation
Threaten hard to bear us down!
For the Lord, our strong salvation,
Holds in view the conqueror's crown:
He who washed us with His blood,
He who washed us with His blood,
He who washed us with His blood,
Soon will bring us home to God

Let us wonder; grace and justice
Join and point to mercy's store;
When through grace in Christ our trust is,
Justice smiles and asks no more:
He who washed us with His blood
He who washed us with His blood
He who washed us with His blood
Has secured our way to God.

Let us praise, and join the chorus
Of the saints enthroned on high,
Here they trusted Him before us,
Now their praises fill the sky,
"Thou hast washed us with thy blood;
"Thou hast washed us with thy blood;
"Thou hast washed us with thy blood;
Thou art worthy, Lamb of God."

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SCRIPTURE READING - Galatians 5:16-26

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. ¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. ²⁴ And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

²⁵ 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.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 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 and ever. Amen.

ARISE MY SOUL, ARISE!

Arise, my soul, arise,
Shake off your guilty fears;
The bleeding sacrifice
In my behalf appears:
Before the throne my Surety stands,
Before the throne my Surety stands,
My name is written on his hands.

*Arise ... Arise ...
Arise, arise my soul, arise (repeat)
Shake off your guilty fears and rise.*

He ever lives above,
For me to intercede,
His all-redeeming love,
His precious blood to plead
His blood atoned for every race
His blood atoned for every race
And sprinkles now the throne of grace
.Arise ... Arise ...
Arise, arise my soul, arise (repeat)
Shake off your guilty fears and rise.

Five bleeding wounds he bears,
Received on Calvary
They pour effectual prayers,
They strongly plead for me
"Forgive him, O forgive" they cry
"Forgive him, O forgive" they cry
"Nor let that ransomed sinner die!"
Arise ... Arise ...
Arise, arise my soul, arise (repeat)
Shake off your guilty fears and rise.

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BENEDICTION - Numbers 6:24-26, 1 John 3:1a

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.
How great is the love that the Father has lavished on us that we should be called his children.
And that is what we are!

A PARTING BLESSING: MAY OUR GOD BE KNOWN

May our God be known for his grace; may the earth rejoice in his blessing.	Let the nations sing and be glad for the Lord is coming with justice.
May our God be known for his love, and the smile that shines from His face.	Let the nations sing and be glad for our God is coming with peace.
May Your way be known on the earth so that all the nations will sing and rejoice in knowing the God of grace!	* Now let all the ends of the earth fill with holy wonder and joy, for our God is coming to reign as king!

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