

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort;  
to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior;  
to all who are a stranger and want fellowship;  
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whoever will come –  
this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

## STANDING

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*Psalm 115:1-3, 16-18*

*Text in **bold** is read together by the entire congregation. Plain text is read by one of the worship service leaders.*

Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name  
give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and  
your faithfulness! Why should the nations  
say, "Where is their God?"

**Our God is in the heavens; he does all that  
he pleases.**

The heavens are the Lord's heavens,

**but the earth he has given to the children of  
man.**

The dead do not praise the Lord, nor do any who  
go down into silence.

**But we will bless the Lord from this time  
forth and forevermore. Praise the Lord!**

## STANDING

### SONG OF EXALTATION

#### ARISE O GOD AND SHINE

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**Arise, O God, and shine,  
In all Thy saving might,  
And prosper each design,  
To spread Thy glorious light;  
Let healing streams of mercy flow  
That all the earth Thy truth may know.**

**Bring distant nations near,  
To sing Thy glorious praise;  
Let every people hear,  
And learn Thy holy ways.  
Reign, mighty God, assert Thy cause,  
And govern by Thy righteous laws.**

**Put forth Thy glorious power,  
That everyone may see  
And earth present her store,  
In converts born to Thee.  
God, our own God, His Church will bless,  
And fill the world with righteousness.**

**To God, the only Wise,  
The one immortal King,  
Let hallelujahs rise, from every living thing;  
Let all that breathe, on every coast,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

## Whate'er My God Ordains is Right

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**Whate'er my God ordains is right,  
His holy will abideth;  
I will be still whate'er He does,  
And follow where He guideth.  
He is my God, though dark my road;  
He holds me that I shall not fall;  
And so to Him I leave it all,  
And so to Him I leave it all.**

**Whate'er my God ordains is right,  
He never will deceive me;  
He leads me by the proper path,  
I know He will not leave me.  
I take, content, what He has sent;  
His hand can turn my griefs away;  
And patiently I wait His day,  
And patiently I wait His day.**

**Whate'er my God ordains is right,  
Though now this cup in drinking  
May bitter seem to my faint heart,  
I take it all, unshrinking.  
My God is true, each morn anew  
Sweet comfort yet shall fill my heart;  
And pain and sorrow shall depart,  
And pain and sorrow shall depart.**

**Whate'er my God ordains is right,  
Here shall my stand be taken;  
Though sorrow, need, or death be mine,  
Yet I am not forsaken.  
My Father's care is round me there;  
He holds me that I shall not fall;  
And so to Him I leave it all,  
And so to Him I leave it all.**

S E A T E D

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*James 4:1-4, 8-10*

What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. You adulterous people!... Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

**You, O Lord, are good and forgiving,  
abounding in steadfast love to all who call  
upon you. Give ear, O Lord, to our prayer;  
listen to our plea for grace. We have turned  
from the joy that you give and pursued the  
vanishing pleasures of this world. Teach us  
your way, O Lord, that we may walk in your  
truth and glorify your name, and experience  
your joy. It's through Christ our Lord we  
pray. Amen.**

## RECEIVING OF GRACE

*Psalm 103:8-13*

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

### STANDING

## REJOICE IN THE LORD

VICTORY IN THE LAMB

Wesley Randolph Eader

**He will clothe the poor with crowns  
In the kingdom He calls theirs  
He will raise them to the halls of heaven  
And release their earthly cares**

**And the hard times they will come  
The black clouds they will break  
But His riches come with the morning sun  
And they grow green fields of grace**

Chorus

**So let all condemnation cease  
Let guilt have no more claim  
Let the devil lose all dominion  
For the Lamb of God He came!  
And the Lamb of God was slain!  
And the Lamb of God was raised!**

**We will fix our wandering eyes  
On the wonders of our Lord  
By His sacred stripes we have been healed  
Through His wounds our joys supplied**

**The strong ones and the weak  
Are the same under His blood  
For empty handed all must come  
To receive His endless love**

WE ARE NOT OVERCOME

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**Flesh will fail, and bones will break;  
Thieves will steal, the earth will shake.  
Night will fall, the light will fade;  
The Lord will give, and take away:**

Chorus

**Because of His, great Love  
We are not over - come! (x2)**

**Put no trust, in the earth,  
In the sod, you stand upon.  
Flowers fade, into dust;  
The Lord will make, a place for us:**

**Offer up, your shoes and shirt;  
Turn your cheek! Turn your cheek!  
Bear the yoke, of love and death;  
The Lord will give, all life and breath**

### SEATED

## SACRED READING

*Psalm 116*

The Word of the Lord  
***Thanks be to God***

*It has been the practice of the Church for two thousand years to have portions of the Bible read during worship services. The assumption behind this practice is that we are people who need to be shaped by all of God's Word.*

SEATED

## GOSPEL LESSON

# PSALM 119

Text: Psalm 119:153-160  
Pastor John Schubert

STANDING

## SONG OF RESPONSE

TAKE US O LORD

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**O how He takes the cross;  
O how He lifts it up  
To take the weight from us.  
O how He pays the cost;  
O how He drinks the cup  
To make a place for us.**

Chorus

**Take us, O Lord, and all we have known.  
Shape us, O Lord, and form us into Your own!  
Take every heart, and know every sin.  
Break us O Lord that we may be whole again.**

**Hear how He breaks the curse;  
Hear how He cries aloud.  
Hear how His voice resounds.  
O how He forms the words  
O how He cries them out:  
“See it is finished now!”**

**How deep the wounds He wears;  
How dark the scars He shows.  
How well the name He knows:  
Written upon his palms,  
O what a name to find:  
That name before Him, mine!**

STANDING

## SENDING

*Hebrews 13:20-21*

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

# **A Prayer Answering God!**

**Psalm 119:153-160 pt. 2**

## **I. God answers our prayers**

a. Because He knows our \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 153-354)

b. Because He is intent on \_\_\_\_\_ His people (v. 155)

c. Because He is a God of \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 156)

## **II. God's answers are always for our good**