

Oakwood Bible Church

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise!

Church: **Be thankful unto Him and bless His Name!** (Ps. 100:4 KJV)

ALL SING: (trumpet/piano intro) The Son of God goes forth to War (responsively)

Men: The Son of God goes forth to war,

Women: A kingly crown to gain;

Men: His blood-red banner streams afar!

Women: Who follows in His train?

*All: Who best can drink His cup of woe, Triumphant over pain,
Who patient bears his cross below, He follows in His train.*

Men: The martyr first, whose eagle eye

Women: Could pierce beyond the grave;

Men: Who saw his Master in the sky,

Women: And called on Him to save.

*All: Like Him, with pardon on His tongue, In midst of mortal pain,
He prayed for them that did the wrong! Who follows in His train?*

Men: A glorious band, the chosen few

Women: On whom the Spirit came,

Men: Twelve valiant saints, their hope they knew,

Women: And mocked the cross and flame.

*All: They met the tyrant's brandished steel, The lion's gory mane;
They bowed their necks the death to feel: Who follow in their
train?*

Men: A noble army, men and boys,

Women: The matron and the maid,

Men: Around the Savior's throne rejoice

Women: In robes of light arrayed.

*All: They climbed the steep ascent of heav'n, through peril, toil and
pain;
O God, to us may grace be giv'n To follow in their train.*

Pastor: In the Name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit!

Church: Amen! (Matt. 8:19)

Pastor: The Lord be with you! (Ruth 2:4)

Church: And also with you!

Pastor: Our Help is in the Name of the Lord!

Church: Who made heaven and earth (Ps. 124:8)

ALL SING: Psalm 98A (1&2nd Verses)

*O Sing a new song to the Lord,
For wonders He has done (2x)
His right hand and His holy arm,
The victory have won (3x)*

*The great salvation wrought by Him,
Jehovah has made known (2x)
His justice in the nation's sight,
He openly has shown (3x)*

Pastor: Let us pray:

Church: Almighty and everlasting God, Who has given unto us Your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship your Unity; we pray that You would keep us steadfast in this faith, and defend us from all adversities, by Him who lives and reigns, one God, world without end. Amen!...

ALL SING: Psalm 98A (3&4th Verses)

*He mindful of His grace and truth
To Isr'el's house has been (2x)
The great salvation of our God.
All ends of earth have seen (3x)*

*O all the earth, sing to the Lord,
And make a joyful sound (2x)
Lift up your voice aloud to Him;
Sing psalms! Let joy resound (3x)*

CONFESSION

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with a humble heart and confess our sins to God, our Father, imploring Him in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness:

Pastor: Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity!

Church: And in whose spirit there is no deceit. (Ps. 32:2)

Pastor: I said I will confess my transgression to the Lord,

Church: And You forgave the guilt of my sin. (Ps. 32:5)

Pastor: Now let us pray...

Church: O most mighty God, and merciful Father, Who has compassion upon all men, and Who does not desire the death of a sinner, but that he should turn from his sin, and be saved; mercifully forgive us our trespasses; receive and comfort us, who are grieved and wearied with the burden of our sins. Spare us therefore, good Lord, spare Your people, who You have redeemed. Do not enter into judgment with Your servants; but turn Your anger from us; we who meekly acknowledge our transgressions, and truly repent of our faults. Merciful Father, help us in this world, so that we may forever live with You in the world to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen!

Pastor: Now lift up your heads and hear the good news, “If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” (1 John 1:9)

ALL SING: Doxology

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

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

Church: We lift them up to the Lord!

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

Church: It is proper and right to do so.

ALL SING: Psalm 98A (Verses 5&6)

*With harp, make music to the Lord;
With harp, a psalm O sing (2x)
With horn and trumpet, raise a shout!
Before the LORD, the King (3x)*

*Let seas in all their vastness roar,
The world, its living horde (2x)
Let rivers clap, let mountains sing,
Their joy before the LORD (3x)*

CONSECRATION

Pastor: Please be seated for the reading of the Word.

Pastoral Reading: Luke 13:22-30

Response: Thanks be to God!

Pastor: Let us rise now and boldly confess our faith:

ALL CHANT: Apostle's Creed

*I Believe in God the / Fa*ther / Almighty //
Maker of / hea*ven / A_nd / 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 he / dead //
He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of /
God the / Fa*ther / Almighty //
From / thence*He shall / come //
To judge / the quick / and the / dead //
I believe in the / Ho*ly / Ghost //
The / Ho*ly / Cath*olic / Church //
The Communion of Saints; the forgiveness of sins;
The resurrection / of the body //
And the life/ ever*lasting / A_men //*

ALL SING: Psalm 103:19-22

***In the heavens has Jehovah founded His eternal throne;
Over all is His dominion; He is king and He along.***

***Bless the LORD, ye mighty angels, ye that hear and do His will;
Bless the LORD, all ye His servants who His pleasure do fulfill.***

***Bless the LORD, all things created, all His hosts with one accord,
In all parts of His dominion. O my soul, bless thou the LORD.***

Unison Reading: Hebrews 12:18-24 (King James Version)

18For ye are not come unto the mount that might be touched, and that burned with fire, nor unto blackness, and darkness, and tempest,

19And the sound of a trumpet, and the voice of words; which voice they that heard intreated that the word should not be spoken to them any more:

20(For they could not endure that which was commanded, And if so much as a beast touch the mountain, it shall be stoned, or thrust through with a dart:

21And so terrible was the sight, that Moses said, I exceedingly fear and quake:)

22But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels,

23To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,

24And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.

ALL SING: O Worship the King

*O worship the King, all glorious above,
O gratefully sing His power and His love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.*

*O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space,
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.*

*Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.*

*Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.*

Pastor: Now let us pray...

Church: God of all creation, You reach out to call people of all nations to Your kingdom. As You gather disciples from near and far, count us also among those, who boldly confess Your Son, Jesus Christ as Lord. Amen.

Sermon: by Rev. Jason Biette

SERMON NOTES

Sermon Response: Offering & Chant (Psalm 47)

*Clap your hands, / all ye / people; //
Shout unto / God · with the / voice of / triumph. //
For the LORD most / high is / terrible; //
He is a great / King over / all the / earth.*

*He shall subdue the / people / under us, //
And the / nations / under our / feet. //
He shall choose our in/heri · tance / for us, //
The excellency of / Jacob / whom He / loved.*

*God is gone / up · with a / shout, //
The / LORD · with the / sound · of a / trumpet. //
Sing praises to / God, sing / praises: //
Sing praises / unto our / King, sing / praises.*

*for God is the / King of · all the / earth; //
Sing ye / praises with / under/standing. //
God reigneth / over the / heathen: //
God sitteth up/on the / throne · of His / holiness.*

*The princes of the people are / gathered to/gether, /
Even the / people · of the / God of / Abraham; //
for the shields of the earth be/long unto / God: //
He is / great/ly ex/alted.*

The Prayer of Intercession...”Father, now hear us as we recite the prayer that Your Son, Jesus Christ, taught us.

ALL RECITE: 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. Amen.**

COMMUNION

ALL SING: Behold the Lamb

(Verses 1-2 to be sung during the distribution of the bread)

*Behold the Lamb Who bears our sins away,
slain for us--and we remember,
The promise made, that all who come in faith,
find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this bread of life,
and we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of peace,
around the table of the King!*

*The body of our Savior, Jesus Christ,
torn for you--eat and remember,
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life,
paid the price, to make us one.
So we share in this bread of life,
and we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of love,
around the table of the King!*

(Verses 3-4 to be sung during the distribution of the cup)

*The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,
shed for you--drink and remember,
He drained death's cup that all may enter in,
to receive, the life of God,
So we share in this bread of life,
and we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of grace
around the table of the King!*

*And so with thankfulness and faith we rise,
to respond--and to remember,
Our call to follow, in the steps of Christ,
as His body, here on earth.
As we share in His suffering,
we proclaim Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven,
around the table of the King!*

The Lord's Supper (Open to Baptized members of a Christian Church)

ALL SING: Psalm 98A (Verse 7)

***Because he comes, He surely comes,
The judge of earth to be (2x)
With justice, He will judge the world,
All men with equity (3x)***

COMMISSION

Pastor: (Charge and benediction)

Choral Response: O Church Arise

*O Church arise and put your armor on,
hear the call of Christ our Captain.
For now the weak can say that they are strong
in the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of Truth
we'll stand against the devil's lies;
and army bold, whose battle-cry is love,
reaching out to those in darkness*

*our call to war--to love the captive soul,
but to rage against the captor;
and with the sword that makes the wounded whole,
we will fight with faith and valor
When faced with trials on ev'ry side,
we know the outcome is secure,
and Christ will have the prize for which He died
and inheritance of nations*

*Come see the cross, where love and mercy meet,
as the Son of god is stricken,
then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet,
for the Conquerer has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away
and Christ emerges from the grave,
this victory march continues till the day
ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him*

*So Spirit come, put strength in ev'ry stride,
give grace for ev'ry hurdle,
that we may run with faith to win the prize
of a servant good and faithful
As saints of old still line the way
retelling triumphs of His grace,
we hear their calls and hunger for the day
when with Christ we stand in Glory.*