

Call To Worship

We confess the supremacy of God in Christ through both responsive reading and song.

Our Spoken Call to Worship

From Isaiah 6:1-3 (CSB)

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord seated on a high and lofty throne, and the hem of his robe filled the temple.

Seraphim were standing above him; they each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another:

**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Armies;
his glory fills the whole earth.**

Our Sung Call to Worship

Holy, Holy, Holy

Verse 1

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Verse 2

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Verse 3

Holy, holy, holy! Tho' the darkness hide Thee,
Tho' the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see;
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Verse 4

Holy, holy, holy! Justice meets with mercy:
God the Father crushed the Son for our iniquity,
Crucified and buried, risen unto glory.
Now, by the Spirit, holy we shall be.

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Lament

We confess our need for mercy through both responsive reading and song.

Our Spoken Lament

O Lord, our God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
we are aware of the sins we have not put to death,
we feel the weakness of our flesh and our need of grace,
especially as we live in a world filled with suffering.
Remember that we are dust and hear us we pray:

**Lord, have mercy! Christ have mercy!
Lord, have mercy on us!**

Lord, deliver us from all pride, vanity, and hypocrisy,

from all envy, hatred, and malice,
from all lack of charity, gossip, and slander.
Remember that we are dust, and hear us we pray:

Lord, have mercy! Christ have mercy!
Lord, have mercy on us!

Lord, deliver us from all disordered desires and sinful affections,
from the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil.
Remember that we are dust, and hear us we pray:

Lord, have mercy! Christ have mercy!
Lord, have mercy on us!

Lord, deliver your church from hardness of heart,
from all false doctrine, heresy, and schism,
from contempt of your Word and your will.
Remember that we are dust, hear us we pray:

Lord, have mercy! Christ have mercy!
Lord, have mercy on us!

Lord, we pray for President Trump and Vice President Pence,
and for the United States Congress,
for Governor Reynolds and the State Legislature,
for Mayor Haila and the Ames City Council,
and for all leaders, both global and local.
Remember that they are dust, and hear us we pray:

Lord, have mercy! Christ have mercy!
Lord, have mercy on us!

Lord, deliver us from disease, sickness, and plague,
from natural disaster, pestilence, and famine,
from conspiracy, rebellion, and violence,
from murder, war, and dying unprepared.
Remember that we are dust, and hear us we pray:

Lord, have mercy! Christ have mercy!
Lord, have mercy on us!

Lord, in our success and in our failure,
in our wealth and in our poverty,
in our living and in our dying,
in our time of tribulation and of poverty,
remember that we are dust, and hear us we pray:

Lord, have mercy! Christ have mercy!
Lord, have mercy on us!

Heavenly Father, we ask all these things
in the name of Jesus our Lord and on the basis of
his perfect life—our righteousness;
his death—our sacrifice for sin;
his resurrection—our hope of glory;
his ascension—our intercession.
Through your Holy Spirit, be with us and dwell in us.
Remember that we are dust, and hear us we pray:

**Lord, have mercy! Christ have mercy!
Lord, have mercy on us!**

Time of silent lament and prayer.

Assurance and Peace

We profess our assurance of salvation and peace in Christ through both responsive reading and song.

Remember the Gospel

From 1 Corinthians 15:51-58 (CSB)

Listen, I am telling you a mystery:

We will not all fall asleep, but we will all be changed,
in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will
be raised

incorruptible, and we will be changed.

For this corruptible body must be clothed with incorruptibility, and this mortal body must be clothed with
immortality.

When this corruptible body is clothed with incorruptibility,
and this mortal body is clothed with immortality, then the
saying that is written will take place:

Death has been swallowed up in victory.

Where, death, is your victory?

Where, death, is your sting?

**The sting of death is sin,
and the power of sin is the law.
But thanks be to God,
who gives us the victory
through our Lord Jesus Christ!**

Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters,
be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the Lord's work, because you know that your labor in the
Lord is not in vain.

Our Sung Profession of Assurance I'll Never Forsake You

Verse 1

O soul, are you weary from wave upon wave
Of grief and affliction whom no man can save?
Has sickness surrounded, or unending night?
Uncertainty stolen your joy and your might?

Verse 2

O doubting, o fearful—remember His care,
The helpless and hopeless need never despair
For from your afflictions His glory shall spring
The deeper your sorrow, the louder you'll sing!

Chorus

**Remember your Father—His promise, His love:
“I'll never forsake you, this pain will not break you,
For I will remake you for unending joy;
My promise is faithful though now it is painful;
No power can trample my covenant love.”**

Verse 3

Remember your Savior—His grief and His pain,
The lonely affliction, unmerited shame.
Though you had betrayed Him, He died in your place;
The joy set before Him He offers by grace.
(Chorus)

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Thanksgiving and Petition

Elder Prayer

Offering

You may give electronically at gabcame.org/giving/ or place your offering in the boxes at the back of the sanctuary or send a check in the mail.

Scripture Reading

1 Peter 4:1-6 (ESV)

¹Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves with the same way of thinking, for whoever has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin, ²so as to live for the rest of the time in the flesh no longer for human passions but for the will of God. ³For the time that is past suffices for doing what the Gentiles want to do, living in sensuality, passions, drunkenness, orgies, drinking parties, and lawless idolatry. ⁴With respect to this they are surprised when you do not join them in the same flood of debauchery, and they malign you; ⁵but they will give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead. ⁶For this is why the gospel was preached even to those who are dead, that though judged in the flesh the way people are, they might live in the spirit the way God does.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

1 Peter 4:1-6 – The Call to Arms! – Pastor Michael Felkins

Sending

Having heard and confessed the Gospel, we are sent into the world on mission in Christ, which we express in both song and spoken word.

Sending Song

On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

Verse 1

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand,
And cast a wishful eye
To Canaan's fair and happy land,
Where my possessions lie.

Verse 2

All o'er those wide extended plains,
Shines one eternal day;
There God, the Son forever reigns,
And scatters night away. (Chorus)

Chorus (Women Echo)

**I am bound (I am bound),
I am bound (I am bound),
I am bound for the promised land.
I am bound (I am bound),**

**I am bound (I am bound),
I am bound for the promised land.**

Verse 3

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath,
Can reach that healthful shore,
Sickness, sorrow, pain, and death,
Are felt and feared no more. (Chorus)

Verse 4

When shall I reach that happy place,
And be forever blessed?
When shall I see my Father's face,
And in His bosom rest? (Chorus)

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Blessing

Based on Romans 16:25-27 (CSB)

Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to the gospel and the proclamation about Jesus Christ,
according to the revelation of the mystery kept silent for long ages but now revealed and made known
through the prophetic Scriptures,
according to the command of the eternal God
to advance the obedience of faith among all peoples
—to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ—

to him be the glory forever!

Amen.