



*The life of the church mirrors the gospel pattern in the life of a disciple.*

*This is demonstrated in our **order of worship** (the bulletin you are holding): Opening moments offer recognition of the greatness and goodness of God that naturally folds into confession, assurance of pardon, songs of thanksgiving, instruction, and a charge to serve God in response to His grace in Christ.*



God hates sin not just because it violates His law, but more substantively, because it violates shalom, because it breaks the peace, because it interferes with the way things are supposed to be. (Indeed, that is why God has laws against a good deal of sin.) God is for shalom and *therefore* against sin. In fact, we may safely describe evil as any spoiling of shalom, whether physically (i.e., by disease), morally, spiritually or otherwise. In short, sin is culpable shalom breaking.

Cornelius Plantinga, Jr. *Not the Way it's Supposed to Be*

# *Order of Worship*

## *January 5, 2020*

### **Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude**

SMPC Music Team

## *Celebrating His Presence*

### **Preparation for Worship**

*We believe everyone **worships** something and that we will inevitably imitate and serve what we worship.*



### **Call to Worship**

## 10,000 Reasons

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,  
It's time to sing Your song again.  
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,  
Let me be singing when the evening comes. *(chorus)*

*Chorus:* Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship His holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger.  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.  
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing,  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. *(chorus)*

And on that day, when my strength is failing,  
The end draws near, and my time has come;  
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending,  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore! *(chorus x2)*

### Invocation

### A Gospel Moment

#### The Prayer of Confession and Repentance

Our merciful and compassionate Father, forgive our forgetfulness of Your grace to us. We have often demanded from others a standard we ourselves do not meet and relate to them according to this standard rather than as fellow debtors to Your grace. We have forgotten the depth of our own need and thought ourselves worthy of Your favor, and have demeaned others in thought, word and deed. Our Savior, show us again the depth and breadth of your marvelous work on our behalf, that we may, for the rest of our days, express an ever-increasing understanding of Your Gospel in our relationships to You and others.



*The gospel moment is a time we use to remind people of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.*

*By His obedience we are justified, and by His death we are reconciled to God. As we apprehend this we are ready to confess our sin.*



*Since we understand that we are redeemed sinners, we agree with God about our sin to the end that we might be confirmed in the forgiveness and absolution we have in Christ. This pattern of **confession** makes way for affirmation and confirmation of God's covenant promise that He assures every believer of pardon for the sake of Christ's obedience and substitution.*



## Assurance of Pardon

*People:* Thanks be to God!



*For assurance of pardon, the man who has faith is the man who is no longer looking at himself and no longer looking to himself. He looks entirely to the Lord Jesus Christ and His finished work, and rests on that alone". –Martyn Lloyd-Jones*



## ***Great is the Lord, His Mercy Endures***

For as high as the heavens are above the earth,  
So great is His mercy to me.  
And as far as the east is from the west,  
So far are my sins from me.

Great is the Lord,  
His mercy endures forever, forever.  
Great is the Lord,  
His mercy endures forever, forever.

*(repeat all)*

## The Blessing

*Minister:* The grace of God be with you.

*People:* And also with you.

## Greeting One Another in the Name of the Lord

# Experiencing Renewal

## **Arise, My Soul, Arise**

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

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. (*chorus*)

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,  
Don't let that ransomed sinner die!

My God is reconciled, His pardoning voice I hear;  
He owns me for His child, I can no longer fear;  
With confidence I now draw nigh, With confidence I now draw nigh,  
And "Father, Abba, Father!" cry. (*chorus*)

*Chorus:* Arise, arise, arise, arise, my soul, arise;  
Arise, arise, arise, arise, my soul, arise,  
Shake off your guilty fears and rise.

*(last time repeat chorus)*

## **How High and How Wide**

No eye has seen and no ear has heard,  
And no mind has ever conceived  
The glorious things that You have prepared  
For everyone who has believed.  
You brought us near and You called us Your own,  
And made us joint heirs with Your Son.



Now that we have reenacted the story of the gospel as a church community.

We now **experience the renewal** merited for us by Jesus Christ. We express this renewal in our singing praises to Jesus for His great mercy towards us.



*Chorus:* How high and how wide,  
How deep and how long,  
How sweet and how strong is Your love.  
How lavish Your grace, how faithful Your ways,  
How great is Your love, O Lord.

Objects of mercy who should have known wrath,  
We're filled with unspeakable joy,  
Riches of wisdom, unsearchable wealth,  
And the wonder of knowing Your voice.  
You are our treasure and our great reward,  
Our hope and our glorious King. (*chorus*)

*(last time repeat chorus)*

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Jesus, our shepherd,  
prays with us and for us. We pray the **pastoral prayer** expecting the Holy Spirit to minister Jesus' benefits to us as He prays for us.  
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## **Pastoral Prayer**

## **Song of Preparation to Hear God's Word**

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(children 4-6 years are dismissed to Children's Church at this time)  
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### ***Thou Lovely Source of True Delight***

Thou lovely source of true delight whom I unseen adore,  
Unveil Thy beauties to my sight that I might love Thee more,  
O that I might love Thee more.

Thy glory o'er creation shines, but in Thy sacred Word  
I read, in fairer, brighter lines my bleeding, dying Lord,  
See my bleeding, dying Lord.

Jesus, my Lord, my life, my light, oh come with blissful ray;  
Break radiant through the shades of night and chase my fears away,  
Won't You chase my fears away.

Then shall my soul with rapture trace the wonders of Thy love,  
But the full glories of Thy face are only known above,  
They are only known above.

# *Deepening Our Commitment*

**Preaching of the Word**

Ruling Elder Dan Phillips

Deuteronomy 5:12-16    Deuteronomy 6:1-9  
Ephesians 6:1-3

Sermon notes:



*Since Jesus Christ  
has committed  
Himself to us in the  
laying down of His  
precious life, we are  
reminded of this in  
the preaching of the  
Word and likewise  
called to a daily,  
**deepening**  
**commitment** to  
follow after Him.*



## Receiving of Tithes and Offerings



**Receiving of tithes and offerings** is not an "add on" to the service. It is part of worship. We demonstrate our trust in God's present provision and hope in our future with Him by supporting the spread of the Gospel.



### Song of Response

#### ***How Firm a Foundation***

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!  
What more can He say than to you He has said,  
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed;  
For I am your God, and will still give you aid;  
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand."

"When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,  
My grace, all sufficient, shall be your supply;  
The flame shall not hurt you; I only design  
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine."

"The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake."



**The Benediction** is a pronouncement of God's favor upon His assembled people.



### **Celebrating the Lord's Supper**

*(Please note that the outer ring is juice and the inner rings are wine; the bread is gluten free)*

### **Benediction**

