

Christ Church of Arlington
Order for the Worship of God
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God Calls Us by His Grace

* Call to Worship

Revelation 1:4b-8

Leader: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

ALL: To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Leader: Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

ALL: "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty." PRAISE THE LORD!

* Prayer of Invocation

* Song of Praise

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne
Hark! How the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity

Crown Him the Lord of love! Behold His hands and side
Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou hast died for me
Thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity

Crown Him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave
Who rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save
His glories now we sing who died and rose on high
Who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die

Crown Him the Lord of heav'n! One with the Father known
One with the Spirit through Him giv'n from yonder glorious throne
To Thee be endless praise, for Thou for us hast died
Be Thou, O Lord, through endless days adored and magnified

God Restores Us by His Grace

Confession of Sin

ALL: Almighty God, You pour out the Spirit of grace and supplication on all who desire it. Deliver us from cold hearts and wandering thoughts, that with steady minds and burning zeal we may worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession of Sin

* Please stand (if possible)

Assurance of Forgiveness

1 Peter 3:18

Leader: For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit.

God Hears Us by His Grace

Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

Leader: Christians, in whom do you believe?

ALL: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic[†] church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Song of Reflection

Yet Not I, but through Christ in Me

What gift of grace is Jesus my Redeemer; there is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom, my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus, for my life is wholly bound to His
Oh, how strange and divine! I can sing, all is mine! Yet not I but through Christ in me

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken, for by my side the Savior, He will stay
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing, for in my need His power is displayed
To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me, through the deepest valley He will lead
Oh, the night has been won and I shall overcome! Yet not I but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven; the future sure, the price, it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon, and He was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold: my sin has been defeated, Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh, the chains are released! I can sing, I am free! Yet not I but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus, for He has said that He will bring me home
And day by day I know He will renew me until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus, all the glory evermore to Him
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: Yet not I but through Christ in me

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Congregational Prayer

ALL: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

[†] Catholic in this sense means "universal, across all nations and cultures."

God Speaks to Us by His Grace

Scripture Reading

Leader: The grass withers and the flower fades,

ALL: But the Word of our God will stand forever.

Sermon

God Sends Us by His Grace

* Song of Response

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice*

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love
When he had purged our stains, he took his seat above

His kingdom cannot fail, he rules o'er earth and heav'n
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n

He sits at God's right hand till all his foes submit
And bow to his command, and fall beneath his feet

* Doxology

The Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly hosts
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost
A - men

* Benediction