



**Lord's Day Worship**

**December 08, 2024**

# -The Worship of God-

## GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

*Please Stand for the Call to Worship*

Pastor: The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;

**People: The LORD sits enthroned as king forever.**

Pastor: May the LORD give strength to his people!

**People: May the LORD bless his people with peace!**

Pastor: Open the gates, that the righteous people that keep faith may enter in.

**People: The LORD keeps them in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on him, because they trust in him.**

Pastor: Trust in the LORD forever!

**All: For the LORD GOD is an everlasting rock!**

*From Psalm 29:10-11 & Isaiah 26:2-4*

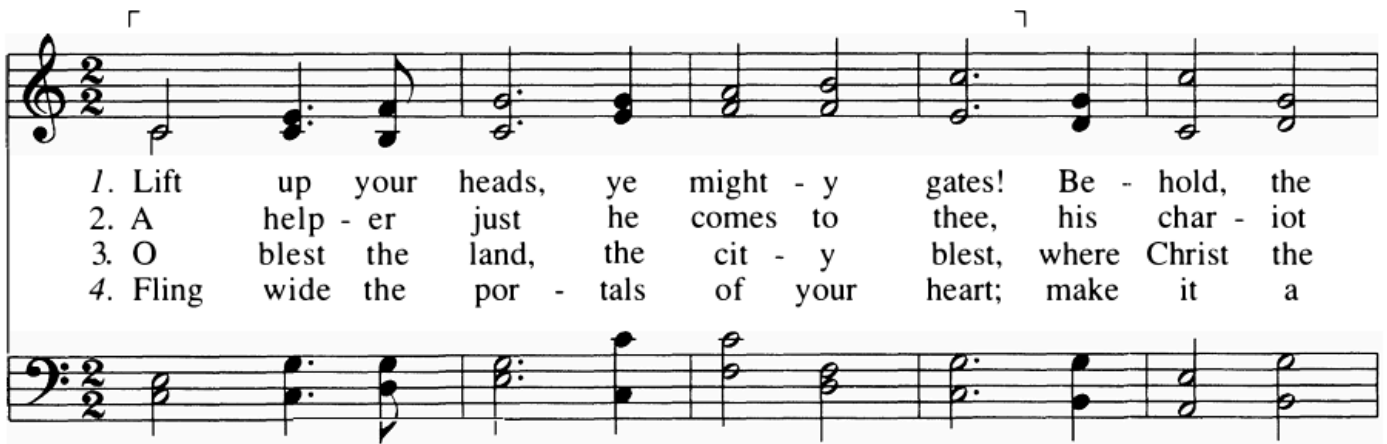
## PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*Hymn of Praise: Oh, Sing A New Song To The LORD*

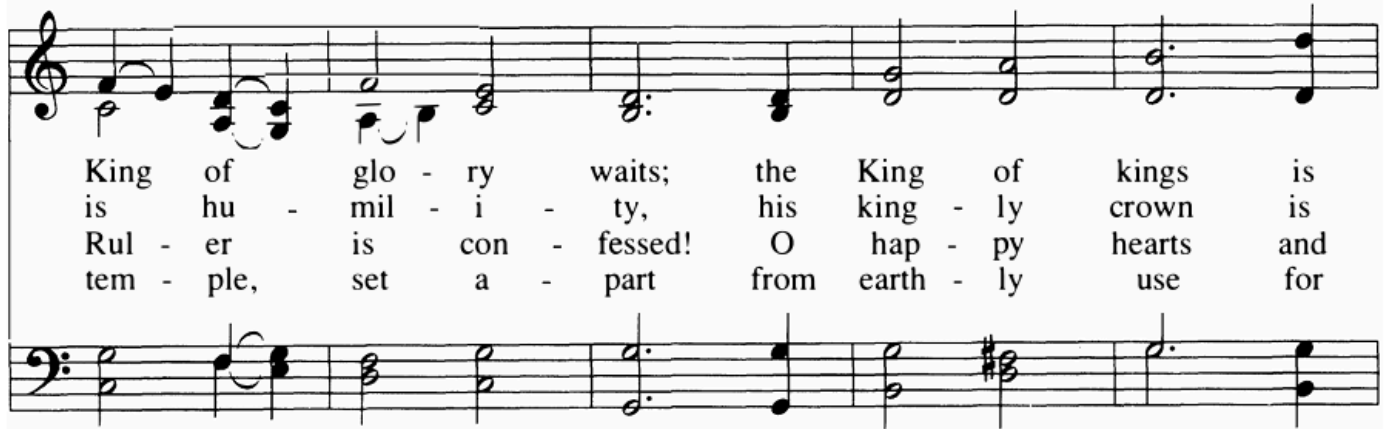
1. Oh, sing a new song to the LORD, For won-ders He has done,  
For won - ders He has done; His right hand and His ho - ly arm

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics, and the second system covers the next two lines. The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines that support the vocal melody.

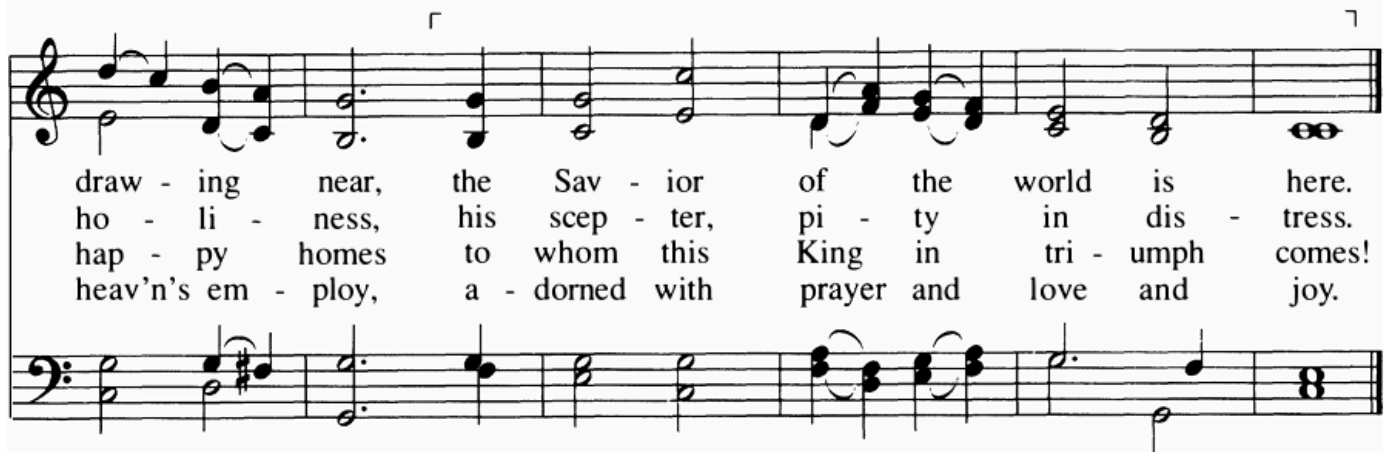




1. Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates! Be - hold, the  
 2. A help - er just he comes to thee, his char - iot  
 3. O blest the land, the cit - y blest, where Christ the  
 4. Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; make it a



King of glo - ry waits; the King of kings is  
 is hu - mil - i - ty, his king - ly crown is  
 Rul - er is con - fessed! O hap - py hearts and  
 tem - ple, set a - part from earth - ly use for



draw - ing near, the Sav - ior of the world is here.  
 ho - li - ness, his scep - ter, pi - ty in dis - tress.  
 hap - py homes to whom this King in tri - umph comes!  
 heav'n's em - ploy, a - dorned with prayer and love and joy.

5. Redeemer, come! I open wide  
 my heart to thee; here, Lord, abide!  
 Let me thy inner presence feel;  
 thy grace and love in me reveal.

6. So come, my Sovereign, enter in!  
 Let new and nobler life begin!  
 Thy Holy Spirit, guide us on,  
 until the glorious crown be won.

## **ADVENT READING**

*The Second Sunday of Advent: Peace*

Today is the Second Sunday of Advent, the Sunday of peace.

Our peace is found in God and in His Son, Jesus Christ. The prophets, apostles, and Jesus Himself, remind us that to receive peace we repent of sin and come to Christ in faith.

We light this candle today to remind us that Christ is the Prince of Peace, the one who was promised from the beginning of the world. We thank God for the hope He gives us and for the peace He bestows in His Son, assuring us of the forgiveness of sin.

## **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

*Isaiah 7:14 & Isaiah 9:6*

The Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

*Hymn of Praise: Comfort, Comfort Ye My People*

1. Com - fort, com - fort ye my peo - ple, speak ye peace, thus saith our God;  
 2. Yea, her sins our God will par - don, blot - ting out each dark mis - deed;  
 3. For the her - ald's voice is cry - ing in the des - ert far and near,  
 4. Make ye straight what long was crook - ed, make the rough - er plac - es plain;

com - fort those who sit in dark - ness, mourn - ing 'neath their sor - row's load.  
 all that well de - served his an - ger he no more will see or heed.  
 bid - ding all men to re - pen - tance, since the king - dom now is here.  
 let your hearts be true and hum - ble, as be - fits his ho - ly reign.

Speak ye to Je - ru - sa - lem of the peace that waits for them; tell her  
 She hath suf - fered man - y a day, now her griefs have passed a - way; God will  
 O that warn - ing cry o - bey! Now pre - pare for God a way; let the  
 For the glo - ry of the Lord now o'er earth is shed a - broad; and all

that her sins I cov - er, and her war - fare now is o - ver.  
 change her pin - ing sad - ness in - to ev - er - spring - ing glad - ness.  
 val - leys rise to meet him, and the hills bow down to greet him.  
 flesh shall see the to - ken, that his word is nev - er bro - ken.

# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Please Sit*

## GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

*Scripture Reading*

*Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12*

## THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

*Sermon*

*Exodus 7: 1-25*

*Hymn of Praise: How Deep The Father's Love For Us*

F B $\flat$   $\frac{F}{A}$  Dm C

• 1. How deep the Fa-ther's love for us, How vast be-yond all meas - ure,  
 • 2. Be - hold the Man up - on a cross, My sin up - on His should - ers.  
 • 3. I will not boast in an - y - thing, No gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom;

F B $\flat$   $\frac{F}{C}$  C $^7$  F

That He should give His on - ly Son To make a wretch His treas - ure.  
 A - shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice Call out a - mong the scof - fers.  
 But I will boast in Je - sus Christ, His death and res - ur - rec - tion.

F  $\frac{F}{C}$  B $\flat$   $\frac{B\flat}{D}$  F  $\frac{F}{C}$  C

How great the pain of sear - ing loss, The Fa - ther turns His face a-way  
 It was my sin that held Him there Un - til it was ac - com - plished.  
 Why should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer;

F B $\flat$   $\frac{F}{C}$  C $^7$ sus C $^7$  F

As wounds which mar the cho - sen One Bring man - y sons to glo - ry.  
 His dy - ing breath has brought me life. I know that it is fin - ished.  
 But this I know with all my heart, His wounds have paid my ran - som.



# BENEDICTION

The musical score is written for guitar and voice. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. The guitar part is shown as a series of chords: G, D, Em, Bm, Em, D, G, D, Em, C, G, D. The lyrics are: "Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise Him, all crea-tures here be - low;". The second system also has a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp and a common time signature. The guitar part has chords: Em, D, G, D, G, C, D, G, D, Am, G, D, G, C, G. The lyrics are: "Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A-men." The bass line for both systems is shown in a bass clef with a key signature of one sharp and a common time signature, providing a harmonic accompaniment to the chords.

G D Em Bm Em D G D Em C G D

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise Him, all crea-tures here be - low;

Em D G D G C D G D Am G D G C G

Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A-men.

# SERMON NOTES

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Youth Christmas Social:** The Youth are gathering at the Stringfield's home for a Christmas social this Saturday, Dec 14, from 12-3pm (1420 City Creek Rd, Pocatello ID 83204). Contact Lucas or Sari for more information.

**Church Ski Day:** On Friday, January 17, 2025 we will be gathering at Pomerelle Mountain in Albion, ID for a fun filled day of fellowship and skiing/snowboarding! Whether it's your first time or your 101 time, we invite you to come. More details to follow soon! If you have any questions please talk with Taylee Winder (435-720-2768).

**No Sunday School December 29th:** We will not have Sunday School on December 29th. Sunday School will resume on January 5, 2025.

**New Years' Day Gathering:** The Winders are hosting a New Years' Day gathering at their home. Come for coffee, refreshments, and games starting at 1:00PM. If you plan to stay awhile, you may be asked to join a full round of monopoly! Contact Taylee Winder (435-720-2768) for more information.

**Sunday Morning Fellowship:** Starting today, we will have light snacks available during the break between Sunday School and the worship service. There is a sign up sheet in the entryway of the church. Reimbursement from the church is available for those who would like to turn in their fellowship snack receipt. Please be mindful of sugar content, dyes, and other ingredients when selecting snacks to bring. Contact Kelley McGinnis (kilmcginnis@hotmail.com & 530-227-8521), with any questions.

**Christmas Eve Service:** We will have a Christmas Eve service on December 24, 2024 at 6pm. Please come and worship together as we anticipate the celebration of our Lord Jesus' birth!

**Prayer Meeting:** Prayer meeting begins at 9:15am each Lord's Day morning led by Jim Doyle. Please come and pray!

**Sunday School:** Sunday School starts at 9:45am. The adults are working through the *Westminster Confession of Faith*. This is an important way to examine key doctrines in the Bible, to join our brothers and sisters from ages past in practicing the historic reformed faith, and to learn how we can all work toward greater unity in the church. Please make it a priority to attend! The children's Sunday School is geared for the following approximate grades: nursery, grades 1-3, 5-6. and 7-12.

**Wednesday Evening Study:** Please join us for a weekly study at 7pm at AFCC. We will be continuing our Sunday School study of the *Westminster Confession of Faith*. Don't miss out on this wonderful time of learning and fellowship! No Wednesday night study on December 25th or January 1st.

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