

# ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE

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*A household for our triune God,  
where each member shines forth His holy, life-giving presence.*

**THE LORD'S DAY OF MAY 10,  
THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 2020  
9.30 AM**

“But the LORD is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.”  
(Habakkuk 2:20)

# WORSHIP ORDER

Prelude

Unless otherwise stated, all Scripture quotations are from the English Standard Version (ESV).  
Congregational readings are in **bold**.

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## GOD CALLS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

The Greeting of God

The Call to Worship: *Psalms 84:1-2*

<sup>1</sup> How lovely is your dwelling place,

O LORD of hosts!

<sup>2</sup> My soul longs, yes, faints

for the courts of the LORD;

my heart and flesh sing for joy

to the living God.

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL

Opening Prayer

Hymn of Praise: *Trinity Hymnal 371, "O Lord of Hosts, How Lovely"*

1 O Lord of Hosts, how lovely  
the place where thou dost dwell!

Thy tabernacles holy  
in pleasantness excel.

My soul is longing, fainting,

Jehovah's courts to see;

my heart and flesh are crying,

O living God, for thee.

2 Blest who thy house inhabit,  
they ever give thee praise;  
blest all whom thou dost strengthen,  
who love the sacred ways.

So they from strength unwearied

go forward unto strength,

till they appear in Zion

before the Lord at length.

3 O hear, Lord God of Jacob,  
to me an answer yield;  
the face of thine anointed,  
behold, O God, our shield.  
One day excels a thousand  
if spent thy courts within;  
I'll choose thy threshold, rather  
than dwell in tents of sin.

4 Our sun and shield, Jehovah,  
will grace and glory give;  
no good will he deny them  
that uprightly do live.  
O God of hosts, Jehovah,  
how blest is ev'ryone  
who confidence reposes  
on thee, O Lord, alone.

### **GOD RENEWS US IN HIS SON**

Call to Repentance: *2 Corinthians 5:15*

<sup>15</sup> and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Prayer for Forgiveness

Promise of Forgiveness and Assurance: *Hebrews 5:8-10*

<sup>8</sup>Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. <sup>9</sup>And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

### **GOD FEEDS US WITH HIS WORD**

Reading of the Word of God: *Psalms 44*

To the choirmaster. A Maskil of the Sons of Korah.

<sup>1</sup>O God, we have heard with our ears,  
our fathers have told us,  
what deeds you performed in their days,  
in the days of old:

<sup>2</sup> you with your own hand drove out the nations,  
but them you planted;  
you afflicted the peoples,  
but them you set free;  
<sup>3</sup> for not by their own sword did they win the land,  
nor did their own arm save them,  
but your right hand and your arm,  
and the light of your face,  
for you delighted in them.  
<sup>4</sup> You are my King, O God;  
ordain salvation for Jacob!  
<sup>5</sup> Through you we push down our foes;  
through your name we tread down those who rise up against us.  
<sup>6</sup> For not in my bow do I trust,  
nor can my sword save me.  
<sup>7</sup> But you have saved us from our foes  
and have put to shame those who hate us.  
<sup>8</sup> In God we have boasted continually,  
and we will give thanks to your name forever. *Selab*  
<sup>9</sup> But you have rejected us and disgraced us  
and have not gone out with our armies.  
<sup>10</sup> You have made us turn back from the foe,  
and those who hate us have gotten spoil.  
<sup>11</sup> You have made us like sheep for slaughter  
and have scattered us among the nations.  
<sup>12</sup> You have sold your people for a trifle,  
demanding no high price for them.  
<sup>13</sup> You have made us the taunt of our neighbors,  
the derision and scorn of those around us.  
<sup>14</sup> You have made us a byword among the nations,  
a laughingstock among the peoples.  
<sup>15</sup> All day long my disgrace is before me,  
and shame has covered my face  
<sup>16</sup> at the sound of the taunter and reviler,  
at the sight of the enemy and the avenger.  
<sup>17</sup> All this has come upon us,  
though we have not forgotten you,  
and we have not been false to your covenant.

18 Our heart has not turned back,  
nor have our steps departed from your way;  
19 yet you have broken us in the place of jackals  
and covered us with the shadow of death.  
20 If we had forgotten the name of our God  
or spread out our hands to a foreign god,  
21 would not God discover this?  
For he knows the secrets of the heart.  
22 Yet for your sake we are killed all the day long;  
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.  
23 Awake! Why are you sleeping, O Lord?  
Rouse yourself! Do not reject us forever!  
24 Why do you hide your face?  
Why do you forget our affliction and oppression?  
25 For our soul is bowed down to the dust;  
our belly clings to the ground.  
26 Rise up; come to our help!  
Redeem us for the sake of your steadfast love!

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word of God: “Days of Trouble: Our Complaints”

## WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

A Prayer of Response

Thanksgiving

Providence Reformed Presbyterian Church

The Republic of Singapore

The Holy Church of Jesus Christ

The Lord’s Prayer (Unison): *Matthew 6:9-13*

**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,**

**and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.**

Hymn of Consecration: *Trinity Hymnal* 252, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

- 1 When I survey the wondrous cross  
on which the Prince of glory died,  
my richest gain I count but loss,  
and pour contempt on all my pride.
  
- 2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast  
save in the death of Christ, my God!  
All the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them through his blood.
  
- 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet,  
sorrow and love flow mingled down.  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
or thorns compose so rich a crown?
  
- 4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
that were a present far too small.  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
demands my soul, my life, my all.

## **GOD SENDS US OFF WITH HIS BLESSINGS**

Benediction

Postlude (Piano)

## Sermon Outline

“Days of Trouble: Our Complaints” *Psalms 44*

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We can praise, lament, and pray for God’s help to come because He is our only sure hope in our days of trouble.

1. Recalling the Past Victories (1-8) — Praise God!
2. Facing the Present Defeats (9-22) — Honest Lament.
3. Hoping for the Future (23-26) — Pray for Help.