

# 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 OCTOBER 04,  
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)

# WE PREPARE TO MEET WITH GOD

## Preparatory Devotion & 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 111.1-3*

<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,  
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

<sup>2</sup>Great are the works of the LORD,  
studied by all who delight in them.

<sup>3</sup>Full of splendour and majesty is his work,  
and his righteousness endures forever.

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL

Responsive Reading of the Word of God: Psalms 65

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion,  
and to you shall vows be performed.

<sup>2</sup>**O you who hear prayer,  
to you shall all flesh come.**

<sup>3</sup>When iniquities prevail against me,  
you atone for our transgressions.

<sup>4</sup>**Blessed is the one you choose and bring near,  
to dwell in your courts!**

**We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house,  
the holiness of your temple!**

<sup>5</sup>By awesome deeds you answer us with righteousness,  
O God of our salvation,

the hope of all the ends of the earth  
and of the farthest seas;

<sup>6</sup>**the one who by his strength established the mountains,  
being girded with might;**

<sup>7</sup>who stills the roaring of the seas,  
the roaring of their waves,  
the tumult of the peoples,

**<sup>8</sup> so that those who dwell at the ends of the earth are in awe at your signs.  
You make the going out of the morning and the evening to shout for joy.**

**<sup>9</sup> You visit the earth and water it;  
you greatly enrich it;  
the river of God is full of water;  
you provide their grain,  
for so you have prepared it.**

**<sup>10</sup> You water its furrows abundantly,  
settling its ridges,  
softening it with showers,  
and blessing its growth.**

**<sup>11</sup> You crown the year with your bounty;  
your wagon tracks overflow with abundance.**

**<sup>12</sup> The pastures of the wilderness overflow,  
the hills gird themselves with joy,**

**<sup>13</sup> the meadows clothe themselves with flocks,  
the valleys deck themselves with grain,  
they shout and sing together for joy.**

\*Opening Prayer

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

Call to repentance: Exodus 20:16

“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour”

Silent Prayer of Confession

#### **Corporate Prayer for Forgiveness:**

**Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in words, thoughts and deeds; we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbour as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the sin we have committed, and the good we have left undone. Lord, you are full of compassion and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy; there is always forgiveness with you! Restore to us the joy of your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us, and let your word abide with us until it has wrought in us your holy will. Amen.**

Promise of Forgiveness and Assurance: Isaiah 55.6-7

6 Seek the Lord while he may be found;

call upon him while he is near;

7 let the wicked forsake his way,

and the unrighteous man his thoughts;

let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him,

and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

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

Reading of the Word of God: *Acts 10:34-48*

<sup>34</sup> So Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup> but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup> As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), <sup>37</sup> you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: <sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup> And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, <sup>40</sup> but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, <sup>41</sup> not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup> And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup> To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

<sup>44</sup> While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. <sup>45</sup> And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. <sup>46</sup> For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, <sup>47</sup> “Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” <sup>48</sup> And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word of God: *The Good News of Peace*

## GOD FEEDS US AT HIS TABLE

Words of Preparation

Prayer of Preparation

Partaking of the Lord's Table

\*The Confession of Faith (Unison): *The Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;**

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**

**born of the Virgin Mary,**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, dead, and buried;**

**he descended into hell;**

**the third day he rose again from the dead;**

**he ascended into heaven,**

**and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;**

**from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit;**

**the holy catholic<sup>+</sup> Church;**

*+universal*

**the communion of saints;**

**the forgiveness of sins;**

**the resurrection of the body;**

**and the life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

## 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.**

Responsive Reading of the Word of God: Psalm 99

The Lord reigns; let the peoples tremble!

He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

**<sup>2</sup>The Lord is great in Zion;  
he is exalted over all the peoples.**

**<sup>3</sup>Let them praise your great and awesome name!  
Holy is he!**

**<sup>4</sup>The King in his might loves justice.  
You have established equity;  
you have executed justice  
and righteousness in Jacob.**

**<sup>5</sup>Exalt the LORD our God;  
worship at his footstool!  
Holy is he!**

**<sup>6</sup>Moses and Aaron were among his priests,  
Samuel also was among those who called upon his name.  
They called to the LORD, and he answered them.  
the fool cannot understand this:**

**<sup>7</sup>In the pillar of the cloud he spoke to them;  
they kept his testimonies  
and the statute that he gave them.**

**<sup>8</sup>O LORD our God, you answered them;  
you were a forgiving God to them,  
but an avenger of their wrongdoings.**

**<sup>9</sup>Exalt the LORD our God,  
and worship at his holy mountain;  
for the LORD our God is holy!**

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

Benediction

Postlude

## Sermon Outline

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### **The Good News of Peace** *Acts 10:34-48*

1. The good news of peace reaching out. (34-36)
2. The benefits of believing the good news of peace. (37- 43)
3. The empowering of the believers hearing the good news. (44-48)