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Worshiping as a Family

Corporate worship is for people of all ages, and the presence of children is a gift to the church.

All are welcome here. Other options for children include nursery (ages 8 weeks — 2 years), the cry room, and children's worship during the sermon (ages 3 — 1st grade).

Ushers or greeters can give you directions.

"Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me.'" (Mark 10:14)

Order of Worship

Liturgist is Rev. Dr. Mike Farley

Themes and keywords: adopt/adoption, love

STANDING (IF ABLE)

God calls us to worship

Psalms 149:1-2, 4-5

Liturgist: Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song!

All: *Let Israel be glad in his Maker;
let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!*

Liturgist: For the Lord takes pleasure in his people;

All: *he adorns the humble with salvation.
Let the godly exult in glory.*

We praise God

All Things New

Text and tune: Andrew Peterson, Ben Shive, and Andy Gullahorn 2008
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1. Come, bro - ken and wear - y; come, bat - tered and bruised.
2. Come, lost and a - ban - doned; come, blown by the wind.
3. Come, fro - zen with shame; come, burn - ing with guilt.
4. Hold on - to the pro - mise; the sto - ries are true:

My Je - sus makes all things new, all things new. (Verse 2)
He'll bring you back home a - gain, all home a - gain. (Chorus)
My Je - sus he loves you still, loves you still. (Chorus then Bridge)
Je - sus makes all things new, all things new. (Chorus twice)

Chorus:
Rise up, O you sleep - er, a - wake! The Light of the dawn is up - on you.
Rise up, O you sleep - er, a - wake! He makes all things new, all things new. (2nd time to Bridge)

Bridge:
The world was good; the world is fal - len; the world will be re - deemed.
The world was good; the world is fal - len; the world will be re - deemed.

We pray for God to help us worship

Liturgist: Christ is risen!

All: *He is risen indeed!
He died for us that we might live for him.*

SEATED

God calls us to confess our sin

from Hebrews 4:14-16

Liturgist: Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

We confess our sin

All (sing): Trisagion (below); sing 3 times

Ho - - ly God, Ho - ly Migh - ty One,
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us.

Liturgist: Our Father in heaven, you have lavished your favor upon us by adopting us in love, making us your children by grace.

All: *But we have prodigal hearts, prone to wander and run from you and from all that is good for us.*

Liturgist: You offer us abundant love and spiritual power to resist evil, to become more and more like you, and to fulfill your mission for us.

All: *But we often seek the illusion of love and life apart from you. So we are prone to live with hearts far from you, following at a distance, filled with doubts about your love, and seeking security and purpose in other places.*

Liturgist: You have made us heirs to the riches of an eternal inheritance: eternal life with you in a whole world made new.

All: *But we too easily forget the sure hope we have in Christ, and so we are prone to sinful fear and despair rather than trusting your faithfulness. Lord, have mercy on us.*

(silent prayers of confession)

Liturgist: Gracious Father, forgive us when we forget your love and our identity as beloved children. By the power of your Spirit, enlighten the eyes of our hearts to know and to trust that we are your sons and daughters in Christ and to live daily in the abundance of your steadfast love, with confidence in the presence and power of your Spirit in us and the great hope to which you have called us, the riches of our glorious inheritance in you.

All (sing): Trisagion (previous page); sing 1 time

STANDING (IF ABLE)

God declares our forgiveness

Romans 8:31–32; Colossians 1:12–14

Liturgist: If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? God the Father has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

For all who have turned from sin in sorrow and look to God for mercy, this is God's gift. In Jesus Christ, God loves you, God forgives you, God accepts you, and God rejoices over you as beloved daughters and sons.

All: *Hallelujah, Amen!*

We praise God

He Has Come to Reign

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1. For the Lord our God He is strong to save, from the depths of sin,
2. In the dark-est night, on the low - est hill, though I feel Him not,
3. When tri - als come and weigh you down, you can catch a glimpse,
4. The true and liv - ing God we serve; His truth will stand,



from the deep-est grave. Ev - er faith - ful is His a - bound ing Word:
He is faith - ful still. He is com - ing in all His right eous ness;
you can hear the sound of the an - gels sing - ing heav - en's song,
the on - ly Word. He has come to reign, God's on - ly Son,



"Fear not, my child, I've o - ver - come the world.
I will wait for Him in this lone - li - ness. **(chorus)**
say - ing "Child, hold on, it won't be long." **(chorus)**
Je - sus Christ, our King, He has o - ver - come. **(chorus)**



Chorus: He has come to reign in our bro-ken hearts; we will doubt and fear no more.
He has come to reign in our bro-ken hearts; all we lost He will re-store.

We greet one another with the peace of Christ

(Children may go to children's worship)

SEATED

God instructs us in scripture reading

Romans 8:13-23
(pew Bible p. 944)

God instructs us in preaching

“Adopted and Loved by God the Father”

Dr. Dan Doriani



We offer ourselves in gifts and song

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

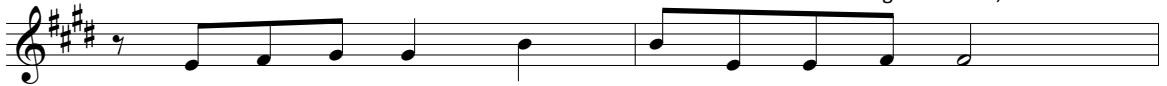
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Prior to singing, we will take a moment of silence to reflect and pray.



1. Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart;
 2. I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies,
 3. Teach me to feel that thou art al - ways nigh,
 4. Hast thou not bid me love thee, God and King?
 5. Teach me to love thee as thine an - gels love,



wean it from sin; through all its puls - es move.
 no sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay,
 Teach me the strug - gles of the soul to bear,
 All, all thine own, soul, heart and strength and mind,
 one ho - ly pas - sion fil - ling all my frame,



Stoop to my weak - ness, might-y as thou art,
 no an - gel vi - sion, no o - p'ning skies;
 to check the ri - sing doubt the re - bel sigh.
 I see thy cross; there teach me to cling,
 the pres - ence of thy de - scend ed dove;



and make me love thee as I ought to love.
 but take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.
 Teach me the pa - tience of un - an - swered prayer.
 O let me seek thee, and O let me find!
 my heart an al - tar, and thy love the flame.

STANDING (IF ABLE)

We pray for the church and the world

Liturgist: (prayers for the church and the world)

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,
and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.
For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

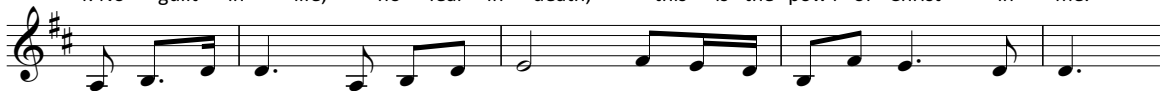
We praise God

In Christ Alone

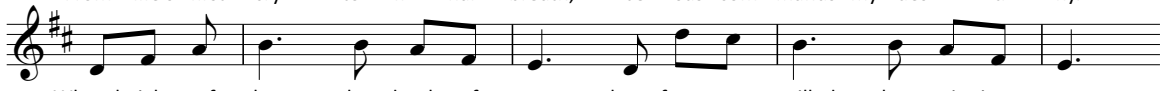
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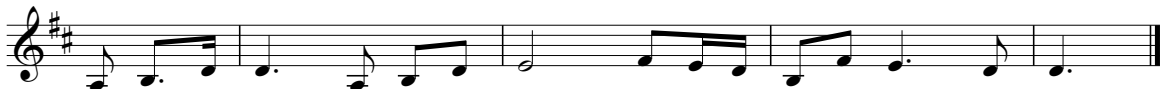
1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song.
2. In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, full - ness of God in help - less babe.
3. There in the ground His bod - y lay, light of the world by dark - ness slain.
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me.



This cor - ner - stone, this sol - id ground, firm through the fierc - est drought and storm.
This gift of love and righ - teous - ness scorned by the ones He came to save.
Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious day, up from the grave He rose a - gain.
From life's first cry to fi - nal breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny.



What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease.
Till on that cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of God was sat - is - fied,
And as He stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ev - er pluck me from His hand.



My Com - for - ter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.
for ev - 'ry sin on Him was laid, here in the death of Christ I live.
for I am His, and He is mine, bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
Till He re - turns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I stand.

God blesses us and sends us out

Pastor: And all God's people said . . .

All: **Hallelujah! Amen.**

Doxology

Text: Thomas Ken 1709

Tune: Louis Bourgeois, *Genevan Psalter*, 1551

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

Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly hosts; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and

Ho - ly Ghost. A - men, A - men, A - - men.

The flowers in the chancel are given by Bob and Donna Church
in loving memory of Donna's brother, Jacob Beals.

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