

PROVIDENCE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 107:1-9

SONG COME THOU FOUNT

Come thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount—I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love

Here I raise my Ebenezer, hither by Thy help I'm come
And I hope by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor, daily I'm constrained to be
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee
Prone to wander, Lord I feel it, prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above

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CONFESSION OF SIN

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, and in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord. Even though you have lavished grace upon us, we have tried to conceal our sin and hide in the darkness. Forgive us, O Lord. By your grace, empower us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 57:15, 18-19

SONG RESTORE US AGAIN

We longed for Egypt in the wilderness, a kingdom made of dust
Built an idol out of happiness, a paradise of rust
We lost all the meaning, drowned out the feeling, our hearts barely beating

Restore us again, God of our salvation, revive us again in Your unfailing love

We have trusted in the meaningless, and chased a life of ease
Now we wander in the shadow lands, where comfort is our king
We lost all the meaning, drowned out the feeling, our hearts barely beating

Holy Spirit, bring us life once again, Holy Spirit, lead our hearts back to You

PROFESSION OF FAITH ADAPTED FROM TITUS

We believe that the grace of God has appeared in Christ Jesus, bringing salvation for all people. When the goodness and kindness of God appeared, he saved us according to his mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of his Spirit. By his Spirit, God is training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live godly and self-controlled lives in the present age. This sanctification occurs as we wait for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify a people for his own possession who are zealous and devoted to good and loving works..

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

PREACHING OF THE WORD

Galatians 4:8-20

SONG NOTHING BUT THE BLOOD OF JESUS

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Nothing can for sin atone, nothing but the blood of Jesus
Naught of good that I have done, nothing but the blood of Jesus

Oh, precious is the flow, that makes me white as snow, no other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus

This is all my hope and peace, nothing but the blood of Jesus
This is all my righteousness, nothing but the blood of Jesus

SONG O LOVE THAT WILL NOT LET ME GO

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee
I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow, may richer, fuller be

O light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee
My heart restores its borrowed ray, that in thy sunshine's blaze its day, may brighter, fairer be

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee
I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain, that morn shall tearless be

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee
I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red, life that shall endless be