

BRIEF SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE
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******Leader can be anyone in the home***

Leader begins with the following:

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. Isaiah 53:6

Confession of Sin

Leader and family together, all kneeling

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. *Amen.*

The designated Leader alone stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Invitation to the Psalms

All stand

Leader Lord, open our lips.

Family And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Leader and Family

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever Amen.

Leader and Family

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy; come let us adore him.

L=Leader; F=Family (Call and response)

Psalm 95:1-7

L: Come, let us sing to the Lord;

F: let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

L: Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving

F: and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

L: For the Lord is a great God,

F: and a great King above all gods.

L: In his hand are the caverns of the earth,

F: and the heights of the hills are his also.

L: The sea is his, for he made it,

F: and his hands have molded the dry land.

L: Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,

F: and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

L: For he is our God,

F: and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

L: Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Then follows

The Psalms Appointed:

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1 **L:** Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his mercy endures for ever.

2. **F:** Let Israel now proclaim,
"His mercy endures for ever."

19 **L:** Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the LORD.

20. **F:** "This is the gate of the LORD;
he who is righteous may enter."

21. **L:** I will give thanks to you, for you answered me
and have become my salvation.

22. **F:** The same stone which the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
23. **L:** This is the LORD'S doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
24. **F:** On this day the LORD has acted;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.
25. **L:** Hosanna, LORD, hosanna!
LORD, send us now success.
26. **F:** Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;
we bless you from the house of the LORD.
27. **L:** God is the LORD; he has shined upon us;
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.
28. **F:** "You are my God, and I will thank you;
you are my God, and I will exalt you."
29. **L:** Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his mercy endures for ever.

The entire family says:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

The Old Testament Reading

Reader: A Reading from Zechariah

Zechariah 9: 9-12

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Answer: Thanks be to God.

****DESIGNATE A READER:**

14 A Song of Penitence

O Lord and Ruler of the hosts of heaven,
God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,
and of all their righteous offspring:
You made the heavens and the earth,
with all their vast array.
All things quake with fear at your presence;
they tremble because of your power.
But your merciful promise is beyond all measure;
it surpasses all that our minds can fathom.
O Lord, you are full of compassion,
long-suffering, and abounding in mercy.

You hold back your hand;
you do not punish as we deserve.
In your great goodness, Lord,
you have promised forgiveness to sinners,
that they may repent of their sin and be saved.
And now, O Lord, I bend the knee of my heart,
and make my appeal, sure of your gracious goodness.
I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned,
and I know my wickedness only too well.
Therefore I make this prayer to you:
Forgive me, Lord, forgive me.
Do not let me perish in my sin,
nor condemn me to the depths of the earth.
For you, O Lord, are the God of those who repent,
and in me you will show forth your goodness.
Unworthy as I am, you will save me,
in accordance with your great mercy,
and I will praise you without ceasing all the days of my life.
For all the powers of heaven sing your praises,
and yours is the glory to ages of ages. Amen.

The New Testament Reading

Reader: A Reading from I Timothy

I Timothy 6: 12-16

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Answer: Thanks be to God

****DESIGNATE A READER:**

11 The Third Song of Isaiah

Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.
For behold, darkness covers the land;
deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.
But over you the Lord will rise,
and his glory will appear upon you.
Nations will stream to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawning.
Your gates will always be open; *
by day or night they will never be shut.
They will call you, The City of the Lord,
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.
Violence will no more be heard in your land,
ruin or destruction within your borders.
You will call your walls, Salvation,
and all your portals, Praise.
The sun will no more be your light by day;
by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.

The Lord will be your everlasting light,
and your God will be your glory.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Gospel

Reader: A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew

Matthew 21: 1-6

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Answer: Thanks be to God.

Podcast: Now play Pastor Bill's podcast video regarding this verse

The Apostles' Creed

Family all standing together

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayer

Leader and Family

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.

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

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Then follows the prayers for the world and the church

- L. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
- F. Govern and uphold them, now and always.
- L. Day by day we bless you;
- F. We praise your name for ever.
- L. Lord, keep us from all sin today;
- F. Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.
- L. Lord, show us your love and mercy;
- F. For we put our trust in you.
- L. In you, Lord, is our hope;
- F. And we shall never hope in vain.

The Leader then says the following Prayer

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Leader and family then say the following Prayers

A Prayer for the Grace

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

The General Thanksgiving

Leader and Family

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. *Amen.*

Everyone now welcome to pray spontaneous open prayers as lead.

A closing prayer

Leader

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

Leader Let us bless the Lord.

Family Thanks be to God

Leader concludes with:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.

Amen. *2 Corinthians 13.14*