



ORDER FOR THE
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*As you enter the Sanctuary, please prepare your heart for worship
and silence your mobile devices.*

Spiritual danger lurks everywhere in this dangerous labyrinth of the world. Our own hearts are deceitful. The world attempts to squeeze us into its mold. Satan labors to lead us astray. Spiritual health and safety require arming ourselves with spiritual weapons. Our Lord has provided us His weapons for our battle, one of which is His Word.

If we are to live distinctly as God's children and make an impact for His kingdom, then we must saturate ourselves with God's Word. Are we taking our cues from the world around us or from the Lord? Are we willing to renounce the false values, priorities, and commitments of the world so that we will not be led by them? Throughout history, God has called His people to live distinctly by investing themselves in the eternal things: God, His Word, and people.

May the Lord give us an insatiable hunger for His Word as we prepare to worship our Rock and Redeemer!

WORSHIPPING THE ROCK OF OUR SALVATION

ORGAN PRELUDE: "Sonata in C Minor" Hannes Meyer
Greg Luscombe, trombone; Samuel Metzger, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP D. Todd Erickson

✦HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 521 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" SOLID ROCK
stanzas 1-3

✦GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 5:3-12 Shelley Hill (8:15)
Zach Pennington (11:00)

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

**Blessed are those who mourn,
for they shall be comforted.**

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

**Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they shall be satisfied.**

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

**Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they shall see God.**

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

**Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you
and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

**Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven,
for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.**

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE SOLID ROCK

**When He shall come with trumpet sound,
O, may I then in Him be found,
Clothed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne!
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.**

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION

HIDING IN THE ROCK OF OUR SALVATION

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, our gracious, heavenly Father,
You promise to comfort those who mourn over sin.
Yet, we are those who are slow to grieve over ours.
You promise to extend mercy to the merciful.
Yet, we preside as harsh judges over others.
You call those who work for peace Your children.
Yet, we create strife by demanding our way
and not valuing others above ourselves.
You promise to richly provide a kingdom
to those who are persecuted for living for You.
Yet, we frequently retreat from the cost of following You.
We come pleading Your forgiveness now
on the basis of the shed blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

♠HYMN OF SUPPLICATION: "Speak, O Lord" Keith Getty



1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to re-ceive the food
2. Teach us Lord full o-be-di-ence, ho-ly rev-er-ence,



of Your ho-ly word. Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
true hu-mil-i-ty. Test our thoughts and our at-ti-tudes



Shape and fash-ion us in Your like-ness, that the light of
in the ra-di-ance of Your pu-ri-ty. Cause our faith to



Christ might be seen to-day in our acts of love
rise, cause our eyes to see Your ma-jes-tic love



and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and ful-
and au-thor-i-ty. Words of pow'r that can



fill in us all Your pur-pos-es, for Your glo-ry.
nev-er fail; Let their truth pre-vail o-ver un-be-lief.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS. L. Brett Wynne

INSTRUMENTAL OFFERTORY: "Adagio" from *Sonata in C Minor* Hannes Meyer

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Keith Getty

**Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us—
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.**

✦ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

✦ GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN J. Ronald Hickman

BUILDING ON THE ROCK OF OUR SALVATION

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

EPISTLE LESSON II Timothy 3:1-17
(page 996 in pew Bible)

All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field;

**The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the Word of our God will stand forever. Amen.** *(Isaiah 40:6b, 8)*

SERMON *On the Other Hand* David A. Bowen

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦ HYMN OF COMMITMENT: No. 94 "How Firm a Foundation" FOUNDATION
stanzas 1-4

✦ BENEDICTION

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE FOUNDATION

**The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to His foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.**

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Toccata in Seven" John Rutter

✦ *Indicates congregation standing*

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