

# Bulletin for Worship

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**Prelude to Worship** “Now Thank We All Our God” first movement

*Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)*

### **Call to Worship**

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Rejoice and be glad, the King of Kings and Lord of Lords invites us to come and to know the love that Christ holds for everyone of us. Come, and be comforted by the grace and love of our Savior.

**We come to know Christ’s love and peace. We are here to worship God in spirit and in truth.**

### **Hymn: Glory to God Hymnal #263 “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”**

All hail the power of Jesus' name!

Let angels prostrate fall;

bring forth the royal diadem,

and crown him Lord of all!

Bring forth the royal diadem,

and crown him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,

ye ransomed from the fall,

hail him who saves you by his grace,

and crown him Lord of all!

Hail him who saves you by his grace,

and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe

on this terrestrial ball

to him all majesty ascribe,

and crown him Lord of all!

To him all majesty ascribe,

and crown him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng

we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the everlasting song,

and crown him Lord of all!

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TEXT: Stanzas 1-3, Edward Perronet, 1779, 1780; stanzas 2-3, alt. John Rippon, 1787; stanza 4, John Rippon, 1787

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## Prayer of Adoration

### Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, we get so caught up in our own lives and needs that we fail to see others for whom we might provide some help and relief. You challenge us to feed those who are hungry and to quench the thirst of those who are parched. You ask us to bring clothing to those who have none or for whom the clothing is inadequate for the weather; to visit people who are sick, alone, alienated, who are imprisoned either in cells with bars, or in conditions of hopelessness and poverty, that they see no way out, to welcome the stranger and reach out to those who are marginalized, to always bring Your words of healing and redeeming love. We have failed in these tasks – we ignore the opportunities and claim that we are too busy to help, too busy to care. How this attitude must sadden You, O Lord. You lavish your gifts upon us that we might use them for the betterment of Your realm, and we treat them as inconveniences.**

**Forgive us, O God. Forgive us and heal our wounds of greed and selfishness. Let us greet this day when the hope of the Reign of Christ can be made manifest and we can be part of this glorious kingdom of peace and compassion. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.**

*Take a few moments to offer your own silent confession.*

### Assurance of Hope and Forgiveness

In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and King, you have been forgiven. Through Jesus' love we have been set free to take part in God's work, healing the soul of our land. Rise up people of God, you have been called out of sin to be the hands of God.

**We will demonstrate the love and justice of Jesus our Loving Lord and bring the reign of God to the world around us. Amen.**

### The Presbyterian Hymnal #579 "Gloria Patri"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

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*Glory Be to the Father*

*TEXT: Trad. liturgical text. Composer: Henry W. Greatorex (1851)*

### Scripture Reading: **Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24**

<sup>11</sup> For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. <sup>12</sup>As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. <sup>13</sup>I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. <sup>14</sup>I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their

pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup>I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. <sup>16</sup>I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

<sup>20</sup> Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. <sup>21</sup>Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, <sup>22</sup>I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

<sup>23</sup> I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. <sup>24</sup>And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

**Special Music: "A Psalm of Hope, Psalm 121"**

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**Matthew 25:31-46**

<sup>31</sup> 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. <sup>32</sup>All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, <sup>33</sup>and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. <sup>34</sup>Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; <sup>35</sup>for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, <sup>36</sup>I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." <sup>37</sup>Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? <sup>38</sup>And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? <sup>39</sup>And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" <sup>40</sup>And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." <sup>41</sup>Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; <sup>42</sup>for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, <sup>43</sup>I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." <sup>44</sup>Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" <sup>45</sup>Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." <sup>46</sup>And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

**Message:** "Submitting to the Good Shepherd "  
**Prayer**

### **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.  
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

### **Sending: Glory to God Hymnal #357 "The Days are Surely Coming"**

The days are surely coming,  
says God to all the earth,  
when you will see my promise:  
salvation come to birth.  
My righteousness and justice  
will spread throughout the land  
and you will be delivered  
by my almighty hand.

The days are surely coming,  
says Christ, the promised one,  
when you will read my warning  
in moon and stars and sun.  
Though earth and heaven tremble,  
stand up and do not fear,  
for I am your redeemer,  
and I am drawing near.

The days are surely coming  
when we will know at last  
the fullness of God's presence,  
God's promise, come to pass.  
Then righteousness and justice  
will spread throughout the land  
and we will be delivered  
by God's almighty hand.

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### **Benediction**