



Sunday, August 8, 2021

“Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel  
before the Lord, our Maker!”

Psalm 95:6

Order of Worship and Lyrics

**Hymn:** Faith of Our Fathers

Faith of our fathers! living still  
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;  
Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy  
Whene'er we hear that glorious word!  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death!

Faith of our fathers! we will strive  
To win all nations unto thee  
And through the truth that comes from God  
Mankind shall then be truly free.  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death!

Faith of our fathers! we will love  
Both friend and foe in all our strife  
And preach thee, too, as love knows how  
By kindly words and virtuous life  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death!

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Praise Song:** Speak O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You  
To receive the food of Your Holy Word  
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us  
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness  
That the light of Christ might be seen today

In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.  
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us  
All Your purposes for Your glory

Teach us, Lord, full obedience  
Holy reverence, true humility  
Test our thoughts and our attitudes  
In the radiance of Your purity  
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see  
Your majestic love and authority  
Words of pow'r that can never fail  
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

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

### **Affirmation of Faith:** The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth:  
And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by  
the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius  
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the  
third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from  
thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in  
the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life  
everlasting. Amen.

## **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, Amen.

## **Unison Reading:** Luke 10:25-37

“And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? He said to him, What is written in the Law? How do you read it? And he answered, You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself. And he said to him, You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live. But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, And who is my neighbor? Jesus replied, A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back. Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers? He said, The one who showed him mercy. And Jesus said to him, You go, and do likewise..”

## **Pastoral Prayer and 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

## **Anthem**

**Sermon:** “Elaboration on the Test of Christian Love”  
Alex Hunter

**Scripture:** 1 John 3:11-18

“ For this is the message that you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. 12 We should not be like Cain, who was of the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own deeds were evil and his brother’s righteous. 13 Do not be surprised, brothers, that the world hates you. 14 We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brothers. Whoever does not love abides in death. 15 Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him. 16 By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. 17 But if anyone has the world’s goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God’s love abide in him? 18 Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth..”

**Hymn:           Blest Be the Tie**

Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love  
The fellowship of kindred minds Is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne We pour our ardent prayers;  
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one  
Our comforts and our cares

We share our mutual woes, Our mutual burdens bear  
And often for each other flows The sympathizing tear.

When we asunder part, It gives us inward pain  
But we shall still be joined in heart, And hope to meet  
again.

**Benediction/Response:** Doxology  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below,  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Amen!

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