

Welcome

Hymn – MP 192 - God of grace and God of Glory

1. God of grace and God of glory,
on Thy people pour Thy power;
crown Thine ancient Church's story;
bring her bud to glorious flower.
grant us wisdom,
grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour.
2. Lo! The hosts of evil round us
scorn Thy Christ, assail His ways!
fears and doubts too long have bound us;
free our hearts to work and praise.
Grant us wisdom,
grant us courage,
for the living of these days.
3. Heal Thy children's warring madness;
bend our pride to Thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom,
grant us courage,
lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal.
4. Set our feet on lofty places;
gird our lives that they may be
armoured with all Christ-like graces
in the fight to set men free.
Grant us wisdom,
grant us courage,
that we fail not man nor Thee.
5. Save us from weak resignation
to the evils we deplore;
let the search for Thy salvation
be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom,
grant us courage,
serving Thee whom we adore.

Prayer

Hymn – MP 225 - He's got the whole wide world

1. He's got the whole wide world
in His hands,
He's got the whole wide world
in His hands,
He's got the whole wide world
in His hands,
He's got the whole world in His hands.
2. He's got everybody here
in His hands,
He's got everybody here
in His hands,
He's got everybody here
in His hands,
He's got the whole world in His hands.

3. He's got the tiny little baby
in His hands,
He's got the tiny little baby
in His hands,
He's got the tiny little baby
in His hands,
He's got the whole world in His hands.
4. He's got you and me, brother
in His hands,
He's got you and me, brother
in His hands,
He's got you and me, brother
in His hands,
He's got the whole world in His hands.

Scripture Reading – John 17:20-26 –²⁰ “My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message,²¹ that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me.²² I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one—²³ I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.²⁴ “Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world.²⁵ “Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me.²⁶ I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them.”

Scripture Reading – Ephesians 3:14-21 -¹⁴ For this reason I kneel before the Father,¹⁵ from whom every family[a] in heaven and on earth derives its name.¹⁶ I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being,¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love¹⁸ may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ,¹⁹ and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.²⁰ Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us,²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

Hymn – MP 720 - We believe in God the Father

1. We believe in God the Father,
maker of the universe,
and in Christ His Son our Saviour
come to us by virgin birth.
We believe He died to save us,
bore our sins, was crucified;
then from death He rose victorious,
ascended to the Father's side
Jesus, Lord of all, Lord of all;
Jesus, Lord of all, Lord of all;
Jesus, Lord of all, Lord of all;
Jesus, Lord of all, Lord of all;
name above all names,
name above all names!

2. We believe He sends His Spirit
on His church with gifts of power;
God, His word of truth affirming,
sends us to the nations now.

He will come again in glory,
judge the living and the dead:
every knee shall bow before Him,
then must every tongue confess.

*Jesus, Lord of all, Lord of all;
Jesus, Lord of all, Lord of all;
Jesus, Lord of all, Lord of all;
Jesus, Lord of all, Lord of all;
name above all names,
name above all names!*

Sermon

Prayer

Hymn – MP 3 - Abba Father

Abba Father, let me be
Yours and Yours alone.
May my will for ever be
evermore Your own.
Never let my heart grow cold,
never let me go,
Abba Father, let me be
Yours and Yours alone.

Prayer for the Offering

Hymn – MP 486 - Now thank we all our God

1. Now thank we all our God,
with hearts, and hands, and voices;
who wondrous things hath done,
in whom His world rejoices;
Who, from our mothers' arms,
hath blest us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

2. O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever-joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us in His grace,
and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills
in this world and the next.

3. All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given,
the Son, and Him who reigns
with them in highest heaven;
the one eternal God,
whom heaven and earth adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore

Benediction

Amen

Hymn – MP 460 - May God's blessing surround you

May God's blessing surround you each day,
as you trust Him and walk in His way.
May His presence within guard and keep you from sin,
go in peace, go in joy, go in love.