# Order of Worship | Livestream SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2020, 7:30 PM

# CALL TO WORSHIP

Judges 5:3 Hear, O kings; give ear, O princes; to the LORD I will sing; I will make melody to the LORD, the God of Israel

### HYMN OF PRAISE

#### Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending (Tune)

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1 Lo! He comes with clouds descending,	3 Now redemption, long expected,
Once for favoured sinners slain:	See in solemn pomp appear:
Thousand thousand saints attending	All His saints, by man rejected,
Swell the triumph of His train:	Now shall meet Him in the air:
Hallelujah! (x3)	Hallelujah! (x3)
Jesus now shall ever reign.	See the Day of God appear!
2 Every eye shall now behold Him	4 Yea, Amen! let all adore Thee,
Robed in dreadful majesty;	High on Thine eternal throne:
Those who set at nought and sold Him,	Savior, take the power and glory,
Pierced, and nailed Him to the tree,	Claim the kingdom for Thine own:
Deeply wailing, (x3)	O, come quickly, (x3)
Shall the great Messiah see.	Hallelujah, come Lord, come!

## PRAYER OF PRAISE

### **CONFESSING OUR SINS**

James 3:5-12: So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things. How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

#### SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Consider the text above as you confess your sins, asking God to search your heart.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

"In this is love, not that we have loved God but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another." (*1 John 4:10-11*)

# PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

As we sing this next hymn, recall the words of 1 John 4:10-11 in the assurance of pardon. We are amazed at what great a love God has for us to send His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

## HYMN: Here is Love (Tune)

1 Here is love, vast as the ocean, Lovingkindness as the flood, When the Prince of Life, our Ransom, Shed for us His precious blood. Who His love will not remember? Who can cease to sing His praise? He can never be forgotten, Throughout heav'n's eternal days.

2 On the mount of crucifixion, Fountains opened deep and wide; Through the floodgates of God's mercy Flowed a vast and gracious tide. Grace and love, like mighty rivers, Poured incessant from above, Heaven's peace and perfect justice Kissed a guilty world in love. Rees/Edwards/Williams/DIM OND IESU 3 Let me, all Your love accepting, Love You, ever all my days; Let me seek Your kingdom only And my life be to Your praise; You alone shall be my glory, Nothing in the world I see. You have cleansed and sanctified me, You Yourself have set me free.

4 In Your truth You shall direct me By Your Spirit through Your Word; And Your grace my need is meeting, As I trust in You, my Lord. Of Your fullness You are pouring Your great love and pow'r on me, Without measure, full and boundless, Drawing out my heart to Thee.

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 13:1-37

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24 "But in those days, after that tribulation, THE SUN WILL BE DARKENED AND THE MOON WILL NOT GIVE ITS LIGHT, 25 AND THE STARS WILL BE FALLING from heaven, and the powers that are in the heavens will be shaken. 26 "Then they will see THE SON OF MAN COMING IN CLOUDS with great power and glory. 27 "And then He will send forth the angels, and will gather together His elect from the four winds, from the farthest end of the earth to the farthest end of heaven. 28 "Now learn the parable from the fig tree: when its branch has already become tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. 29 "Even so, you too, when you see these things happening, recognize that He is near, right at the door. 30 "Truly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. 31 "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.

# **Responding to the Word**

As we close, let's sing again the hymn "Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending." It is a summary of our text of study. Hymns often contain theological and Biblical truths. Consider these passages of Scripture: Revelation 1:7; stanza 1—Mark 13:26, Jude 14; stanza 2—Revelation 1:7, Zechariah 12:10; stanza 3—Luke 21:28, 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17; stanza 4—Mark 13:26, Revelation 22:20.

# Hymn: Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending (<u>Tune</u>)

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**CLOSING PRAYER**