

# Order of Worship

(THE RENEWAL OF THE COVENANT)

## PROCESSIONAL

INTROIT: “We Are Called” - Saxthorpe Choristers

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Behold, the tabernacle of God is with us and he will dwell with us and we shall be his people.

P: And God himself will be with us and be our God.

L: Our help is in the name of the Lord our God,

P: Who made heaven and earth.

L: Our salvation is in the Lord Jesus Christ,

P: Who died for our sins and rose for our justification.

L: Our confidence is in the Holy Spirit,

P: Who enables us to become God’s children.

L: The Lord reigns!

P: Let the earth rejoice.

L: Our God reigns!

P: We shall be glad and wait for his word.

## Hymn “And Are We Yet Alive” [# 392 VIP, v 1,3, 6 an d Doxology]

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| 1. And are we yet alive,<br>and see each other’s face?<br>Glory and thanks to Jesus<br>give<br>for his almighty grace! | 6. But out of all the Lord<br>hath brought us by his love;<br>and still he doth his help<br>afford,<br>and hides our life above. |
|--|--|

3. What troubles have we  
seen,  
what mighty conflicts past,  
fightings without, and fears  
within,  
since we assembled last.

Doxology  
**Praise Ye the Lord Alleluia!**  
**Praise Ye the Lord Alleluia!**  
**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**  
**Praise Ye the Lord**

Charles Wesley 1707-1988

## PRAYER FOR PURITY

### Song: “Bless The Lord O My Soul”

Bless the lord, O my soul,  
And all that is within me, bless His holy name (rep)  
He has done great things for me (rep)  
He has done great things, bless His holy name

## INVITATION TO THE COVENANT EXPERIENCE (page 118 MPB)

## THE ADORATION (Page 119 MPB)

L: Let us adore God, our loving Father, who created us,  
Who continually preserves and sustains us, who has loved us

with an everlasting love, and given us the light of the knowledge  
of his glory in the face of Jesus Christ.

P: We praise you, O God, we acknowledge you to be the Lord.

L: Let us glory in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
Who, though He was rich, yet for our sakes became poor  
Who, though tempted in all points as we are, yet he was without  
sin: who went about doing good and preaching the gospel of the  
Kingdom; who became obedient to death, even the death of the  
Cross; who overcame the power of death and opened the  
Kingdom of heaven to all believers; Who sits at the right hand of  
God in the glory of the Father; who will come again to be our  
judge.

P: You are the King of Glory, O Christ.

L: Let us rejoice in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, the Lord and  
Giver of Life, by whom we are born into the family of God and  
are made members of the body of Christ, whose witness  
confirms us, whose wisdom enlightens us, whose power enables  
us, who wills to do more for us than we can ask or think.

P: All praise to you, O Holy Spirit

(Silence will be observed)

## SONG: “Create in Me A Clean Heart”

Create in me a clean heart, oh God And renew a right spirit within me Create in me a clean heart, oh God And renew a right spirit within me.	Cast me not away from Thy presence, oh Lord And take not Thy holy spirit from me Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation And renew a right spirit within me.
---	--

## THE CONFESSION (Page 120 MPB)

L: Have mercy upon us

P: And Forgive us O Lord

L: Let us now examine ourselves before God, humbly confessing  
our sins and watch in our hearts, lest by self-deceit we shut  
ourselves out from his presence

(Silence will be observed)

ALL: Have mercy upon me, O God, according to your loving-kindness,  
according to the measure of your tender mercies, blot out my  
transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from iniquities and cleanse  
me from my sins. For I acknowledge my transgressions and my  
sin is ever before me. Hide your face from my sins and wipe  
away all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and  
renew a right spirit within me. Do not cast me out from your  
presence: or take away your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to  
me the joy of your salvation and uphold me with your free  
Spirit. Amen.

L: This is the message...to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from  
all unrighteousness.

ALL: Amen. Thanks be to God.

GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH, and on earth peace, goodwill to all. We  
praise you; we bless you; we worship you; we glorify you; we give  
thanks to you for your great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the  
Father Almighty.

O Lord the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ: O Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Father, who take away the sin of the world, have mercy  
upon us. You who take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon  
us. You who take away the sin of the world receive our prayer. You  
who sit at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For  
you only are holy; you only are the Lord; you only, O Christ with the  
Holy Spirit are Most High in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

PRAISE TEAM: Members of ‘FullJoy’

- |                       |                            |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| • Bro. Leslie Francis | • Sis. Michelle Goldson    |
| • Bro. Andrew Burton  | • Sis. Judy-Marie Campbell |

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

### COLLECT

Page 122 MPB

Almighty God our Father, who have appointed your Son Jesus Christ to  
be the mediator of a new and better covenant: give unto us the grace  
of your Holy Spirit, that we may draw near with a true heart, and in full  
assurance of faith, and be united with you in a perpetual covenant;  
through the same Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord, who is alive and  
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, now and forever. Amen.

### SONG: Ancient Words

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| 1. Holy words long preserved<br>for our walk in this world,<br>They resound with God's own<br>heart<br>Oh, let the Ancient words impart.<br>Words of Life, words of Hope<br>Give us strength, help us cope<br>In this world, where e'er we roam<br>Ancient words will guide us Home. | 2. Holy words of our Faith<br>Handed down to this age.<br>Came to us through sacrifice<br>Oh heed the faithful words of Christ.<br>Holy words long preserved<br>For our walk in this world.<br>They resound with God's own heart<br>Oh let the ancient words impart. |
|--|--|

### Refrain:

**Ancient words ever true**

**Changing me, and changing you.**

**We have come with open hearts**

**Oh let the ancient words impart.**

Michael W. Smith (1957—)

OLD TESTAMENT: Jeremiah 31: 31-33 – Bro. Kyle Exell

RESPONSIVE READING: Canticle #2 TeDeum – Bro. Jon-Marc Burgess

EPISTLE: Revelation 21: 1-7 – Bro. Dimitri-William Burgess

GOSPEL: John 15: 1-8 (All Standing) – Sis. Fern McFarlane

SELECTION: – Saxthorpe Choristers

SERMON: – Rev’d Dr. Wayneford McFarlane

ACT OF MEDITATION/CALL TO COMMITMENT

HYMN: “O for a Heart to Praise My God” [# 298 VIP]

1. FOR a heart to praise my God,  
A heart from sin set free,  
A heart that always feels thy blood  
So freely spilt for me;

4. A heart in every thought renewed,  
And full of love divine;  
Perfect, and right, and pure,  
and good,  
A copy, Lord, of thine!
2. A heart resigned, submissive, meek,  
My great Redeemer’s throne,  
Where only Christ is heard to speak,  
Where Jesus reigns alone;

5. Thy nature, gracious Lord, impart;  
Come quickly from above,  
Write thy new name upon my heart,  
Thy new, best name of love.

Charles Wesley (1707—1788)

THE COVENANT (Page 125 MPB)

And now beloved...let us renew our covenant...meekly kneeling upon our knees.

(Silence will be observed)

THE COVENANT PRAYER

I am no longer my own. I belong to you. Make me know what you would have me to do. Associate me with whomsoever you please. Let me be of service to others. Let others be of service to me. Let me be employed for you or stand aside for you. Fill me or empty me. Enrich me or impoverish me. Exalt me or humble me. I lay my whole life on the altar and yield myself and all I have to your pleasure and disposal. And now, O gracious and blessed God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. I am yours and you are mine. So be it. And may the Covenant I have now made in this place be ratified forever in heaven. Amen

THE LORD’S PRAYER

NICENE CREED (page 72 MPB)

RENEWAL OF FELLOWSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER .... Pages 95-97 (MPB)

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

L: The peace of the Lord be with you  
P: And also with you.

HYMN: “Be Known To Us In Breaking Bread” [# 424 VIP]

1. BE known to us in breaking bread,  
But do not then depart;  
Saviour, abide with us, and spread  
Your table in our heart.

2. There sup with us in love divine;  
Your body and your blood,  
That living bread, that heavenly wine,  
Be our immortal food.

James Montgomery  
(1771—1854)

THE THANKSGIVING: (Pages 95-97)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

HYMN: “O Happy Day” [# 243 VIP]

1. O Happy day that fixed my choice  
On you, my Saviour and my God!  
Well may this glowing heart rejoice,  
And tell its raptures all abroad.

3. Tis done, the great transaction's done!  
I am my Lord's, and he is mine;  
He drew me, and I followed on,  
Charmed to confess the voice divine.
2. O happy bond that seals my vows  
To him who merits all my love!  
Let cheerful anthems fill his house,  
While to that sacred shrine I move.

4. Now rest, my long-divided heart,  
Fixed on this blissful centre, rest;  
Nor ever from your Lord depart,  
With him of every good possessed.
5. High heaven, that heard the solemn vow,  
That vow renewed shall daily hear,  
Till in life's latest hour I bow,  
And bless in death a bond so dear.

*Chorus:*  
**Happy day! Happy day!**  
**When Jesus washed my sins away;**  
**He taught me how to watch and pray,**  
**And live rejoicing everyday;**  
**Happy day! Happy day!**  
**When Jesus washed my sins away.**

Philip Doddridge (1702-51)

BENEDICTION:

The Methodist Church in the Caribbean  
and the Americas (MCCA)  
JAMAICA DISTRICT

METHODIST VOICES IN WORD AND SONG  
TELEVISION MINISTRY



EPIPHANY SUNDAY

The Renewal of the Covenant

Sunday, January 3, 2021

SERVICE OF WORD  
AND SACRAMENT



OFFICIATING CLERGY:

Preacher  
& Celebrant: Rev’d Dr. Wayneford McFarlane  
Liturgist: Bishop Christine Gooden Benguche

Organist: Bro. Audley Davidson  
Accompanist: Bro. Andre Taylor  
Choristers:

- Sis. Yvonne Brown

• Sis. Yvonne Patterson
- Sis. Lucette Cargill

• Bro. David Darlington
- Sis. Valerie Hinds

• Bro. Nigel Haye
- Sis Marie Miller

Praise Team: Members of the ‘FullJoy’ Praise Team

District Bishop: Rev’d Christine Gooden- Benguche  
District Secretary: Rev’d Dr. Wayneford McFarlane

A warm welcome to all worshippers!