

Order of Worship

PREPARATION

INTROIT: “Bless the Lord, O My Soul...” [# 1 VIP]

Call to Worship

- L: We gather together to worship our loving, nurturing God, who, like a mother, knows us intimately, loves us unconditionally, teaches us the way we should go, and comforts us in times of need.
- P: **We’ve come to worship God, who loved us before we were yet born, who knows us even better than we know ourselves, whose presence never leaves us, and whose love for us never ceases.**
- L: O sing to the LORD a new song, **for He has done marvelous things for His children.**
- ALL: **In Christ, let us join our hearts to worship our God who has prepared the way through his only begotten son Jesus Christ.**

Opening Hymn: “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee...” [# 5 VIP]

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
Opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day!

2. All thy works with joy surround thee,
Earth and heaven reflect thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around thee,
Centre of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,
Call us to rejoice in thee.

3. Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living,
Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our father, Christ our brother,
All who live in love are thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.

4. Mortals, join the mighty chorus
Which the morning stars began;
Love divine is reigning o’er us,
Binding all within its span.
Ever singing, march we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife;
Joyful music leads us sunward,
In the triumph song of life.
- Henry Van Dyke (1852—1933)

PRAYER OF ADORATION (Extempore)

Chorus: “Search Me O God...”
*Search me O God and know my heart today
Try me O Saviour know my thought I pray*

*See if there be some wicked way in me
Cleanse me from every sin and set me free. (x2)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Extempore)

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

- L: Brothers and sister in Christ, our hearts rejoice today, for we believe and know that God is merciful and just and forgives us our sins. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Glory to God!
- P: **Amen. Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Extempore)

MINISTRY TO THE CHILDREN & YOUTHS - Sis. Lesly-Ann Baker

HYMN: “A Little Child May Know...” [# 490 VIP]

1. A little child may know
Our Father's name of Love;
'Tis written on the earth below,
And on the sky above.

2. Around me when I look,
His handiwork I see;
This world is like a picture book
To teach his name to me.

3. The thousand little flowers
Within our garden found,
The rainbow and the soft spring showers,
And every pleasant sound.

4. The birds that sweetly sing,
The moon that shines by night;
With every tiny living thing
Rejoicing in the light.

5. And every star above,
Set in the deep blue sky,
All tell me that our God is love,
All tell me he is nigh.
- WORDS: Jane E. Leeson (1807—1882)
MUSIC: Henry J. Gauntlett (1805—1876)

PRAISE IN WORSHIP – Lyndhurst Praise Team

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD:

COLLECT: (let us stand and pray the collect together)

ALL: **God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth: strengthen us each day, that in joy and sorrow we may know your presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

OLD TESTAMENT: 1 Samuel 1: 20-28

- L: This is the word of our Lord
- P: **Thanks be to God**

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 34 (VIP 588)

Led by: Sis. Joelle Alfred (M.I.T.)

- L: ¹I will bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- R: ²**My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
let the humble hear and be glad.**
- L: ³O magnify the LORD with me,
and let us exalt his name together.
- R: ⁴**I sought the LORD, and he answered me,
and delivered me from all my fears.**
- L: ⁵Look to him, and be radiant;
so your[Ⓜ] faces shall never be ashamed.
- R: ⁶**This poor soul cried, and was heard by the LORD,
and was saved from every trouble.**
- L: ⁷The angel of the LORD encamps
around those who fear him, and delivers them.
- R: ⁸**O taste and see that the LORD is good;
happy are those who take refuge in him.**
- L: ⁹O fear the LORD, you his holy ones,
for those who fear him have no want.
- R: ¹⁰**The young lions suffer want and hunger,
but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.**
- L: ¹¹Come, O children, listen to me;
I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
- R: ¹²**Which of you desires life,
and covets many days to enjoy good?**
- L: ¹³Keep your tongue from evil,
and your lips from speaking deceit.
- R: ¹⁴**Depart from evil, and do good;
seek peace, and pursue it.**
- L: ¹⁵The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous,
and his ears are open to their cry.
- R: ¹⁶**The face of the LORD is against evildoers,
to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.**
- L: ¹⁷When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears,
and rescues them from all their troubles.
- R: ¹⁸**The LORD is near to the brokenhearted,
and saves the crushed in spirit.**
- L: ¹⁹Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
but the LORD rescues them from them all.
- R: ²⁰**He keeps all their bones;
not one of them will be broken.**
- L: ²¹Evil brings death to the wicked,
and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.
- ALL: ²²**The LORD redeems the life of his servants;
none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.**

The Gloria Patri
(Please stand as we share in the 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!

Epistle: Colossians 3:12-17
L. This is the word of our Lord
P. Thanks be to God

The Gospel according to John 19: 25-27
P: Glory to you O God
L: This is the Gospel of Christ.
P: Praise be to Christ, our Lord.

Song: “Alleluia ...”
Alle, alle, alle-luia!
Alle, alle, alle-luia!
Alle, alle, alle-luia! Alle-luia!

Hymn: “Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak...” [# 313 VIP]

1. Lord, speak to me, that I may speak
In living echoes of thy tone;
As thou hast sought, so let me seek Thy erring children lost and lone.

2. O lead me, Lord, that I may lead
The wandering and the wavering feet;
O feed me, Lord, that I may feed
Thy hungering ones with manna sweet.

3. O teach me, Lord, that I may teach
The precious things thou do’st impart; And wing my words, that they may reach The hidden depths of many a heart.

4. O use me, Lord, use even me,
Just as thou wilt, and when, and where, Until thy blessed face I see,
Thy rest, thy joy, thy glory share.
- Frances R. Havergal (1836—1879)

SERMON: *(A moment of quiet reflection on the message and prayer)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS/ OFFERING AND DEDICATION

SPECIAL ITEM: “Speak My Lord...” - Lyndhurst Choristers

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: *(Please see Insert)*

THE LORD’S PRAYER - Sis. Joelle Alfred

CLOSING HYMN: “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah...” [# 330 VIP]

1. GUIDE me, O thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
Hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven,
Feed me now and evermore.

2. Open thou the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing stream shall flow;
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through:

3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs of praises I will ever give to thee.
- Strong Deliverer,
Be thou still my strength and shield.
- William Williams (1717—1791)

THE BENEDICTION

L: May the Lord, whose steadfast love is constant as a mother's care, send us out to live and work for others. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THREEFOLD AMEN: “Amen, Amen, Amen!” *(to be sung)*

L: We will go in peace to love and serve the Lord, we will go in peace to love and serve the Lord, we will live the Gospel and sing with one accord. As we go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God, Alleluia!



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DISTRICT THEME:

*“Spreading Scriptural Holiness to Reform the Nation...
Beginning with Me”*

Sub Theme

*“Caring for the Body, Mind and Soul as we
serve the present age”*

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DIVINE WORSHIP

Sixth Lord’s Day of the Resurrection

Sunday, May 9, 2021

OFFICIATING CLERGY:

Preacher: Rev’d Curt Baker
(Superintendent Minister, Lyndhurst Circuit)

Liturgist: Sis. Joelle Alfred *(Minister-in-Training)*
(Lyndhurst Circuit)

Organist: Sis. Paula Brown-Powell

Choristers: Sis. Rosie Arnold
Sis. Jennifer Brown-Bonnick
Sis. Annette Brown-Biggs
Sis. Cecile Davis
Sis. Michelle Gordon
Sis. Yasmin Jackson Thompson
Bro. Ossie Gentle
Bro. Keith Nelson

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

A warm welcome to all worshippers!