**Order of Worship**

**MUSICAL PRELUDE**

**THE CALL TO WORSHIP - Rev’d Daniel Dorcin**

L: O come, let us sing to the Lord. Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving and joyful songs of praise! For the Lord is a great God. He is our God. We are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

**Opening Hymn: “Morning Has Broken…” [# 500 VIP]**

1. Morning has broken
Like the first morning;
Blackbird has spoken
Like the first bird.
Praise for the singing!
Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing
Fresh from the Word!
2. Sweet the rain's new fall
Sunlit from heaven,
Like the first dewfall
On the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness

Praise for them, springing
Fresh from the Word!

1. Sweet the rain's new fall
Sunlit from heaven,
Like the first dewfall
On the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness
Praise with elation,
Praise every morning,
God's re-creation
Of the new day!

**Eleanor Farjeon (1881-1965)**

**The Collect for Purity**

L: ALMIGHTY GOD, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Prayer of Adoration**

##### **Thine, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in**

##### **the heaven and in the earth is thine. Thine is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all. Lord**

##### **God, we worship and adore you Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We bring you our sacrifice of praise. May this time**

##### **of worship be a hallowed hour. AMEN.**

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**Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon**

L: Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord or who shall stand in his holy place?

**R: He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false, and does not swear deceitfully**

L: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**R: If we confess our sins, Christ is willing and able to grant us pardon.**

L: Father God, you know us by name and by nature. You know when we sit down and when we rise up. You hem us in behind and before. You know all our sins and shortcomings for nothing is hid from you. In penitence, let us go to God in prayer. As we seek forgiveness and pardon for our sins, let us invite God to search us and cleanse us and set us free.

**Song of Penitence: “Search Me O God…”**  - **Saxthorpe Choristers**

***Search me, O God, and know my heart today,
Try me, O Savior, know my thoughts, I pray;
See if there be some wicked way in me;
Cleanse me from every sin, and set me free.***

L: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Hear then the good news. Your sins are forgiven. Go and sin no more.

**R: Amen. Thanks be to God.**

 **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

L: God of all life, source of all blessings, deliverer from our sins and, giver of all grace; our hearts are filled with thankfulness. Lord God, like a loving parent, you have denied us no good thing. We are privilege to have health to enjoy life, strength to work, laughter for our hearts, food in our mouths, shoes on our feet, clothes on our backs, shelter over our heads and, the love of family and friends. Great is your faithfulness and new every morning are your love, mercy and favor towards us. With gratitude we praise you and will bless your name forever, **Amen**.

**Greetings & Courtesies**

**Special Selection: “Champion of Love…” - Bro. Leslie Francis**

*(Saxthorpe Congregation)*

**MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

**Collect for the Day**

Almighty and eternal God, you have kindled the flame of love in the hearts of the saints: grant to us the same faith and power of love, that, as we rejoice in their triumphs, we may be sustained by their example and fellowship; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

**Old Testament: Job 42: 1 – 6, 10 – 17** - **Rev’d Nicholas Chambers**

 *(Minister-in-Training, UTCWI)*

 **RESPONSIVE PSALM 34: 1 – 8; 19 – 22:**

[*Praise for deliverance from trouble]*

L: **1**I will bless the Lord at all times;
    his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**R: 2My soul makes its boast in the Lord;
    let the humble hear and be glad.**

L: **3**O magnify the Lord with me,
    and let us exalt his name together.

**R: 4I sought the Lord, and he answered me,
    and delivered me from all my fears.**

L: **5**Look to him, and be radiant;
    so your[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm%2034%3A1-8%2CPsalm%2034%3A19-22&version=NRSV#fen-NRSV-14394a)] faces shall never be ashamed.

**R: 6This poor soul cried, and was heard by the Lord,
    and was saved from every trouble.**

L: **7**The angel of the Lord encamps
    around those who fear him, and delivers them.

**R: 8O taste and see that the Lord is good;
    happy are those who take refuge in him.**

L: **19**Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
    but the Lord rescues them from them all.

**R: 20He keeps all their bones;
    not one of them will be broken.**

L: **21**Evil brings death to the wicked,
    and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.

**R: 22The Lord redeems the life of his servants;
    none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.**

**The Gloria**

L: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

**R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen.**

**HYMN #291 (verses 1–3 & 5): Come, Saviour, Jesus, from above**

1. Come, Saviour, Jesus, from above!
Assist me with thy heavenly grace;
Empty my heart of earthly love,
And for thyself prepare the place.
2. O let thy sacred presence fill,
And set my longing spirit free!
Which pants to have no other will,
But day and night to feast on thee.
3. That path with humble speed I’ll seek,
Wherein my Saviour’s footsteps shine;
Nor will I hear, nor will I speak,
Of any other love but thine.
4. Thee I can love, and thee alone,
With pure delight and inward bliss:
To know thou tak’st me for thine own,
O what a happiness is this!

**Antoinette Bourignon (1616-80)**

**Trans. by John Wesley (1703-91)**

**EPISTLE: Hebrews 7: 23 – 28 - Bro. Gilroy Lewis**

**GOSPEL: Mark 10: 46 – 52 - Rev’d Dr. Novelle Josiah**

 *(Warden, UTCWI)*

**HYMN #310 (verses 1 – 4): How beauteous are their feet**

1. How beauteous are their feet Who stand on Zion's hill,
Who bring salvation in their tongues,
And words of peace reveal!
2. How cheering is their voice,
How sweet their tidings are:
'Zion, behold your Saviour-King! He reigns and triumphs here.'

1. How blessèd are our ears
That hear this joyful sound,
Which kings and prophets waited for,
And sought, but never found!
2. How blessèd are our eyes
That see this heavenly light! Prophets and kings desirèd long,
But died without the sight.

***Isaac Watts* (1674-1748**)

**SERMON: - Rev’d Dr. Novelle Josiah**

  *(Warden, UTCWI)*

**Prayer in Response**

Father God, we thank you for the example of Bartimaeus who appealed to you for mercy. May we, like Bartimaeus, be persistent in our cry and specific in our requests. May we come to you with belief in our hearts and thankfulness on our lips. May we be inspired by Bartimaeus’ faith and challenged by his example. In Jesus’ name I pray, **Amen**.

**HYMN: Light of the World, thy beams I Bless [# 270 VIP]**

1. Light of the world, thy beams I bless;
On thee, bright Sun of Righteousness,
My faith has fixed its eye;
Guided by thee, through all I go,
Nor fear the ruin spread below,
For thou art always nigh.
2. Not all the powers of hell can fright
A soul that walks with Christ in light;
He walks, and cannot fall:
Clearly he sees, and wins his way, Shining unto the perfect day,
And more than conquers all.
3. I rest in thine almighty power;
The name of Jesus is a tower
That hides my life above;
Thou canst, thou wilt my helper be;
My confidence is all in thee,
The faithful God of love.
4. Wherefore, in never-ceasing prayer,
My soul to thy continual care
I faithfully commend;
Assured that thou through
life shalt save,
And show thyself beyond the grave
My everlasting friend.

**Charles Wesley (1707-1788)**

**Special Reminders, Financial Appeal, Blessing of the Offering**

**Prayers of Intercession** *(Please see Insert)*

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Closing Hymn:** **“Heaven Came Down…”** **[# 244 VIP vs 1 & 3]**

1. What a wonderful, wonderful day
Day I will never forget;
After I’d wandered in darkness away,
Jesus my Saviour I met,
O what a tender, compassionate friend,
He met the need of my heart;
Shadows dispelling, with joy I am telling,
He made all the darkness depart.

***Refrain:
Heaven came down and glory filled my soul,
When at the cross the Saviour made me whole;
My sins were washed away***

***And my night was turned to day
Heaven came down and glory filled my soul.***

1. Now I’ve a hope that will surely endure
After the passing of time;
I have a future in heaven for sure,
There in those mansions sublime.
And it’s because of that wonderful day
When at the cross I believed;
Riches eternal and blessings supernal
From his precious hand I received.

***Philip Doddridge
 (1702—1751)***

**The Benediction** **- Rev’d Dr. Novelle Josiah**

L: Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever.

May the grace of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of[[e](#fen-NRSV-29041e)] the Holy Spirit be with us all. **Amen.**



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*A warm welcome to all worshippers!*