

Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker!

for He is our God! - Esalm 95:6-7a

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#### **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

# Greeting

Call to Worship Psalm 150

Praise the LORD! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens! Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness! Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp! Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe! Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals! Let everything that has breath praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!

#### Invocation

\* Hymn # 53

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"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Call to Confession

Nehemiah 12:30

And the priests and the Levites purified themselves, and they purified the people and the gates and

Assurance of Pardon

Nehemiah 12:43

And they offered great sacrifices that day and rejoiced, for God had made them rejoice with great joy; the women and children also rejoiced. And the joy of Jerusalem was heard far away.

\* Hymn # 195

"Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come"

\* Old & New Testament Scripture Reading:

Writings: Psalm 149 (Robust Joy in the LORD)

Gospels: Luke 19:28-40 (The Son of David's Triumphal Entry)

\* Pastor: This is the Word of our God.

\* Congregation: The grass withers, the flower fades, but the Word of our God stands forever.

**Affirmation of Faith** *The Westminster Confession of Faith, 2.2, God's Independence & Fullness* **2.2.** God hath all life, glory, goodness, blessedness, in and of Himself; and is alone in and unto Himself all-sufficient, not standing in need of any creatures which He hath made, nor deriving any glory from them, but only manifesting His own glory in, by, unto, and upon them. He is the alone fountain of all being, of whom, through whom, and to whom are all things and hath most sovereign dominion over them, to do by them, for them, or upon them whatsoever Himself pleaseth. In His sight all things are open and manifest, His knowledge is infinite, infallible, and independent upon the creature, so as nothing is to Him contingent, or uncertain. He is most holy in all His counsels, in all His works, and in all His commands. To Him is due from angels and men, and every other creature, whatsoever worship, service, or obedience He is pleased to require of them.

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates Please Stand if Able

# **Pastoral Prayer**

\* Hymn # 235

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

## **Tithes and Offerings**

**Special Music: "Teach Me Your Ways"** 

\* Hymn # 731

"The Doxology"

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\* Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sermon Series: Nehemiah

\* Prayer for Illumination

\* Sermon Text Nehemiah 12

- \* **Pastor:** Thus far the reading of God's holy Word. And may God add His blessing to the reading of His Word.
- \* Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Title: "Joyful, Worshipful Service in the Covenant" Rev. Dr. Michael Mock

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**Prayer for Transformation** 

Lord's Supper: A Meal Prepared, Dedicated, and Participated

\* Eucharistic Hymn # 162

"Of the Father's Love Begotten"

\* Benediction

\* **Departing Hymn # 386** (first verse)

"God Be with You Till We Meet Again"

God be with you till we meet again; by His counsels guide, uphold you, with His sheep securely fold you: God be with you till we meet again.

Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet; till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

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**Sermon Outline:** 

Sermon Text: Nehemiah 12 "Joyful, Worshipful Service in the Covenant"

As sons and daughters in the Son of David, we worship and serve the LORD with great joy and reverence.

## 1. Preparation (vv. 1-26)

- a. Men of Old in Minds Anew: Men in Ministry
  - i. Priests (vv. 1, 12)
  - ii. Levites (vv. 1, 8, 22)
  - iii. Gatekeepers (v. 25)
  - iv. Singers (vv. 8, 24)
- b. **Application:** God recalls faithful men of old to stir us up to worship the LORD.

#### 2. Dedication (vv. 27-43)

- a. All-around Dedication (vv. 27-30)
  - Application: We come into God's house made pure by Jesus' blood & ready for worship.
- b. All-around Jubilation (v. 43)
  - i. Sing, Choirs of Priests! (vv. 31-43)
  - ii. Men, Women, and Children (v. 43)
  - iii. **Application**: We all come into God's house with hearts of pure joy for the LORD.

#### 3. Participation (vv. 44-47)

- a. Participation in Particulars
- b. Participation from Persons
- c. The Man of God (vv. 24, 36)