

# THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

## THE CONFESSION

P: We begin our worship in the name of the Father and of the +Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: "As I live," says the Lord God, "I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live."

C: **If we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P: We have been called to confess Jesus Christ as the Son of God. How faithfully have we done that?

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P: Most merciful God,

C: **We confess to you our sinfulness, and our helplessness to escape from it. We hesitate to acknowledge you as our God. Our lives do not confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. We are wicked; we are doomed to die. We beg your mercy for the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son. Forgive our sins, and turn us from our ways.**

P: The gates of death shall not prevail! Jesus Christ was given to die for us; for his sake our sins are forgiven, and we shall live! Our God has turned to us in love.

C: **Thanks be to God! Amen**

## THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you

People: **And also with you**

THE HYMN: - "In My Heart There Rings a Melody"

## THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Almighty and ever-living God,  
you have given great and precious promises to those who believe.  
Grant us the perfect faith  
which overcomes all doubts,  
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## THE FIRST AND SECOND LESSONS

## THE READING OF THE HOLY GOSPEL

## THE OFFICE HYMN – "Here I Am To Worship"

## THE SERMON: "Lost in Wonder, Love and Praise"

## THE APOSTLES CREED

CONG: I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of  
the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen

## THE PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy,


**People: Hear our prayer.**

## THE OFFERTORY AND THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

## THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you  
and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and  give you peace.

**People: Amen.**

## THE RECESSIONAL HYMN – “We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator”

Pastor: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

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

In My Heart There Rings a Melody

ELTON M. ROTH, 1891-1951

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1. I have a song that Je - sus gave me, It was sent from  
 2. I love the Christ who died on Cal - v'ry, For He washed my  
 3. 'Twill be my end - less theme in glo - ry, With the an - gels

heav'n a - bove; There nev - er was a sweet - er mel - o - dy, 'Tis a  
 sins a - way; He put with - in my heart a mel - o - dy, And I  
 I will sing; 'Twill be a song with glo - rious har - mo - ny, When the

CHORUS

mel - o - dy of love.  
 know it's there to stay. In my heart there rings a mel - o - dy,  
 courts of heav - en ring.

There rings a mel - o - dy with heav - en's har - mo - ny; In my

heart there rings a mel - o - dy; There rings a mel - o - dy of love.

**32. HERE I AM TO WORSHIP**

- 1. Light of the World,  
You stepped down into darkness,  
opened my eyes let me see.  
Beauty that made this heart adore You,  
hope of a life spent with You.**

**So, here I am to worship,  
here I am to bow down,  
Here I am to say that You're my God.  
And You're altogether lovely,  
altogether worthy,  
altogether wonderful to me.**

- 2. King of all days,  
oh so highly exalted,  
glorious in heaven above.  
Humbly You came to the Earth You created,  
all for love's sake became poor.**

**So, here I am to worship,  
here I am to bow down,  
Here I am to say that You're my God.  
And You're altogether lovely,  
altogether worthy,  
altogether wonderful to me.  
And I'll never know how much it cost  
to see my sin upon that cross.  
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**So, here I am to worship,  
here I am to bow down,  
Here I am to say that You're my God.  
And You're altogether lovely,  
altogether worthy,  
altogether wonderful to me.**

## **88. WE HAVE COME INTO THIS HOUSE**

- 1. We have come into His house and gathered in His name to worship Him.**

**We have come into His house and gathered in His name to worship Him.**

**We have come into His house and gathered in His name to worship Christ the Lord.**

**Worship Him, Christ the Lord.**

- 2. So forget about yourself and concentrate on Him and worship Him.**

**So forget about yourself and concentrate on Him and worship Him.**

**So forget about yourself and concentrate on Him and worship Christ the Lord.**

**Worship Him, Christ the Lord.**

- 3. Let us lift up holy hands and magnify His name and worship Him.**

**Let us lift up holy hands and magnify His name and worship Him.**

**Let us lift up holy hands and magnify His name and worship Christ the Lord.**

**Worship Him, Christ the Lord.**

# O for a Thousand Tongues

AZMON

CARL G. GLÄSER, 1784-1829

CHARLES WESLEY, 1707-1788

Arr. by Lowell Mason, 1792-1872



1. O for a thousand tongues to sing My great Re-deem-er's praise,
2. My gra-cious Mas-ter and my God, As-sist me to pro-claim,
3. Je-sus! the name that charms our fears, That bids our sor-rows cease,
4. He breaks the pow'r of can-cel'd sin, He sets the pris'-ner free,
5. Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb, Your loos-ened tongues em-ploy;
6. Glo-ry to God and praise and love Be ev-er, ev-er giv'n



The glo-ries of my God and King, The tri-umphs of His grace.  
 To spread thru all the earth a-broad The hon-ors of Thy name.  
 'Tis mu-sic in the sin-ner's ears, 'Tis life and health and peace.  
 His blood can make the foul-est clean— His blood a-vailed for me.  
 Ye blind, be-hold your Sav-ior come; And leap, ye lame, for joy.  
 By saints be-low and saints a-bove— The Church in earth and heav'n.



## We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer

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KREMSER

JULIA C. CORY, 1882-1963

Netherlands melody, before 1625  
Arr. by Edward Kremser, 1838-1914

1. We praise Thee, O God, our Re-deem-er, Cre - a - tor - In grate-ful de -  
2. We wor-ship Thee, God of our fa-thers, we bless Thee - Thru life's storm and  
3. With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais-es we of-fer - To Thee, great Je -

vo - tion our trib-ute we bring; We lay it be - fore Thee, we kneel  
tem-pest our Guide hast Thou been; When per - ils o'er - take us, es - cape  
ho - vah, glad an-thems we raise; Thy strong arm will guide us, our God

and a - dore Thee, We bless Thy ho - ly Name, glad prais-es we sing.  
Thou wilt make us, And with Thy help, O Lord, our bat-tles we win.  
is be - side us - To Thee, our great Re-deem-er, for - ev - er be praise!