* Call to Worship: from Psalm 9:1-2 (NRSV) We will give thanks to you, O LORD, with our whole heart; we will tell of all your wonderful deeds.
We will be glad and exult in you; we will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

* **Opening Prayer**

* We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer #334:1,2,3 (HFG) We praise Thee, O God, our Redeemer, Creator In grateful devotion our tribute we bring; We lay it before Thee, we kneel and adore Thee, We bless Thy holy name, glad praises we sing.

We worship Thee, God of our fathers, we bless Thee Thru life's storm and tempest, our guide hast Thou been; When perils o'er take us, Thou wilt not forsake us, And with Thy help, O Lord, life's battles we win.

With voices united our praises we offer And gladly our song of true worship we raise. Thy strong arm will guide us, our God is beside us, To Thee, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!

* We Will Glorify

We will glorify the King of kings. We will glorify the Lamb. We will glorify the Lord of lords, Who is the great I AM.

Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty. We will bow before His throne. We will worship Him in righteousness. We will worship Him alone.

He is Lord of heaven, Lord of earth, He is Lord of all who live. He is Lord above the universe; All praise to Him we give.

* Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come, thou fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount – I'm fixed upon it, Mount of Thy redeeming love.

O, to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee: Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, O take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts above.

Profession of Faith: Our World Belongs to God Article 44 Following the apostles, the church is sent – sent with the gospel of the kingdom to make disciples of all nations, to feed the hungry, and to proclaim the assurance that in the name of Christ there is forgiveness of sin and new life for all who repent and believe, to tell the news that our world belongs to God.

Beautiful Savior

#461:1,4 (PH)

Beautiful Savior! King of creation! Son of God and Son of Man! Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be thine!

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Evening Prayer

#318:1,3 (HFG)

* Thy Word

Refrain: Thy word is a lamp unto my feet And a light unto my path. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet And a light unto my path.

I will not forget Your love for me, and yet My heart forever is wandering. Jesus, be my guide and hold me to Your side; I will love You to the end. *Refrain*

* Scripture: Hebrews 12:1-3 (NIV) pg. 1263 ¹ Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, ² fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. ³ Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Message: God's Call to Persistent Christian Living

Prayer

* Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

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, Bread of heaven, Feed me 'til I want no more, Feed me 'til I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, Whence the healing stream doth flow; Let the fire and cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through: Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, Be Thou still my strength and shield, Be Thou still my strength and shield. #608:1,2 (HFG)

* God's Blessing

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* Now Blessed Be the Lord our God #630:1,2 (PH)

Now blessed be the Lord our God, the God of Israel, For He alone does wondrous works: His glorious deeds excel; For He alone does wondrous works: His glorious deeds excel.

And blessed be His glorious name through all eternity; The whole earth let His glory fill: Amen! so shall it be; The whole earth let His glory fill: Amen! so shall it be.

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