

* **Call to Worship:** *Psalm 47:1-2, 6-7*
*Clap your hands, all you nations;
shout to God with cries of joy.*
**For the LORD Most High is awesome,
the great King over all the earth.**
*Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises.*
**For God is the King of all the earth;
sing to him a psalm of praise.**

* **Opening Prayer**

* **Rejoice, the Lord is King** #374:1,3,4 (HFG)
Rejoice, the Lord is King!
Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing,
And triumph evermore:
Refrain: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail,
He rules o'er earth and heaven;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus given: *Refrain*

Rejoice in glorious hope!
Our Lord the judge shall come
And take His servants up
To their eternal home: *Refrain*

* **With Grateful Heart My Thanks I Bring** #183:1,2 (PH)
With grateful heart my thanks I bring,
Before the great your praise I sing.
I worship in your holy place
And praise you for your truth and grace;
For truth and grace together shine
In your most holy Word divine,
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I cried to you, and you did save;
Your word of grace new courage gave.
The kings of earth shall thank you, Lord,
For they have heard your wondrous word;
Yes, they shall come with songs of praise,
For great and glorious are your ways,
For great and glorious are your ways.

* indicates to stand if able

* **Alleluia! Sing to Jesus** #406:1,3 (PH)
Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!
His the scepter, His the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph,
His the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
Thunder like a mighty flood.
Jesus, out of every nation,
Has redeemed us by His blood.

Alleluia! heavenly High Priest,
Here on earth our help, our stay;
Alleluia! hear the sinful cry
To you from day to day.
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
Earth's Redeemer, hear our plea,
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea.

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**God chose Israel as his special people
to show the glory of his name,
the power of his love,
and the wisdom of his ways.**

**He gave them his laws through Moses,
he led them by rulers and teachers,
so that they would be a people
whose God was king.**

**When Israel spurned God's love
God scattered his people among the nations.**

**Yet he kept a faithful few
and promised them the Messiah:
a prophet to speak the clear word,
a king to crush the serpent's head,
a priestly servant willing to be broken for sinners.**

**And he promised the gift of the Spirit
to bend stubborn wills to new obedience.**

**God remembered his promise
to reconcile the world to himself;
he has come among us in Jesus Christ,
the eternal Word made flesh.**

**He is the long-awaited Savior,
fully human and fully divine,
conceived by the Spirit of God
and born of the virgin Mary.**

God, Our Father, We Adore Thee

God, our Father, we adore Thee!
We, Thy children, bless Thy name!
Chosen in the Christ before Thee,
We are "holy, without blame"
We adore Thee! We adore Thee!
Abba's praises we proclaim!
We adore Thee! We adore Thee!
Abba's praises we proclaim!

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
Three in One! We give Thee praise!
For the riches we inherit,
Heart and voice to Thee we raise!
We adore Thee! We adore Thee!
Thee we bless thro' endless days!
We adore Thee! We adore Thee!
Thee we bless thro' endless days!

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Evening Prayer

* **Scripture:** *Matthew 1 (NIV)* pg. 1007
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Message: *Joseph: God's Peace in Chaos*

* **God, the Father of Your People** #322:1,2 (PH)
God, the Father of your people,
You have called us to be one;
Grant us grace to walk together
In the joy of Christ, your Son.
Challenged by your Word and Spirit,
Blest with gifts from heaven above,
As one body we will serve you
And bear witness to your love.

May the grace of Christ, our Savior.
And the Father's boundless love,
With the Holy Spirit's favor,
Rest upon us from above.
May we now remain in union
With each other and the Lord,
And possess, in sweet communion,
Joys that earth cannot afford.

* **God's Blessing**

* **To God Be the Glory**

#632 (PH)

To God be the glory, to God be the glory,
To God be the glory for the things he has done:
With his blood he has saved me;
With his power he has raised me.
To God be the glory for the things he has done.

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Matthew 1



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