Merciful God, We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### COMMUNION LITURGY & RECEIVING OF THE ELEMENTS

\*HYMN OF INVITATION 'TIS THE OLD SHIP OF ZION

#345

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Refrain: 'Tis the old ship of Zion, 'tis the old ship of Zion, 'tis the old ship of Zion, get on board, get on board.

1. It has landed many a thousand, it has landed many a thousand, it has landed many a thousand, get on board, get on board. [Refrain]

2. Ain't no danger in the water, ain't no danger in the water, ain't no danger in the water, get on board, get on board. [Refrain]

3. It was good for my dear mother, it was good for my dear mother, it was good for my dear mother, get on board, get on board. [Refrain]

4. It was good for my dear father, it was good for my dear father, it was good for my dear father, get on board, get on board. [Refrain]

5. It will take us all to heaven, it will take us all to heaven, it will take us all to heaven, get on board, get on board. [Refarin]

#### \*BENEDICTION

# \*SENDING FORTH

THE LORD OF THE DANCE

#261, v. 4 & 5

Words by Sydney Carter

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4. I danced on a Friday and the sky turned black; it's hard to dance with the devil on your back; they buried my body and they thought I'd gone, but I am the dance and I still go on.

Refrain: Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. And I'll lead you all wherever you may be, and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

5. They cut me down and I leapt up high, I am the life that'll never, never die; I'll live in you if you'll live in me; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. [Refrain]



"The Beatitudes: A Recipe for Living." Matthew 5:1-12

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** THE POWER OF YOUR LOVE

> **WELCOME HOME!** ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP STEP BY STEP BEAKER

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

What does the Lord require of us? To do Justice:

'Blessed are the meek and humble, for they will inherit the earth.'

To walk humbly with our God;

'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.'

We come to learn, to praise, to pray;

We come to worship our God.

# \*HYMN OF PRAISE

THE LORD OF THE DANCE

#261, v. 1-3

WORDS BY SYDNEY CARTER

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1. I danced in the morning when the world was begun, and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth. At Bethlehem I had my birth.

Refrain: Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. And I'll lead you all wherever you may be, and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

- 2. I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee, but they would not dance and they would not follow me; I danced for the fishermen, for James and John; they came to me and the dance went on. [Refrain]
- 3. I danced on the sabbath when I cured the lame, the holy people said it was a shame; they whipped and they stripped and they hung me high; and they left me there on a cross to die. [Refrain]

# \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ His only Son, Our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead, he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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 life everlasting. Amen.

# SHARING OF OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

WORDS BY THOMAS O. CHISHOLM MUSIC BY WILLIAM M. RUNYAN USED BY PERMISSION. CCLI LICENSE #1203752

1. Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father, there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been, thou forever wilt

Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see, all I have needed thy hand hath provided; great is thy faithfuless, Lord

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]

# CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

# OFFERING PRAYER & RETURN OF GOD'S TITHES & GIFTS

\*DOXOLOGY PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

#94
WORDS BY THOMAS KEN
MUSIC FROM GEISTLICHE KIRCHENGESANGE
ARR. BY RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS
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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

# HYMN OF FAITH Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

#277
WORDS BY WILLIAM H. PARKER
MUSIC BY FREDERICK A. CHALLINOR
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1. Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear; things I would ask him to tell me if he were here: scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea, stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

- 2. First let me hear how the children stood round his knee, and I shall fancy his blessing resting on me; words full of kindness, deeds full of grace, all in the lovelight of Jesus'
- 3. Into the city I'd follow the children's band, waving a branch of the palm tree high in my hand; one of his heralds, yes, I would sing loudest hosannas, "Jesus is King!"

# **SCRIPTURE READING** MATTHEW 5:1-12

**SERMON** "THE BEATITUDES: A RECIPE FOR LIVING." REV. LARAINE WAUGHTAL

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