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Salisbury

Morning  
Service  
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## Eternal Redemption - Secured!

*“Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.”,  
(Heb 19:28)*

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### Call to Worship

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory  
and the victory and the majesty,  
for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours.

**Yours is the kingdom, O Lord,  
and you are exalted as head above all.**

*(1 Chr 29:11)*

Let us pray.

**Almighty God,  
to you all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hidden.**

**Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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## Psalm 45

O King, you are most worthy,  
of men you are the best  
Your words are true and gracious,  
you are forever blessed  
Take up your sword in splendour,  
ride forth in majesty  
For justice and mercy  
and true humility  
Your arrows pierce your enemies,  
you march across the land  
The peoples and the nations  
against you cannot stand

Your throne will last forever,  
with justice you shall reign  
You love all that is righteous  
and hate all evil gain  
So God has richly blessed you  
with joy abundantly  
Your robes are all fragrant,  
your courts are ivory  
There princesses attend you,  
sweet music from of old  
Your future queen awaits you  
arrayed in finest gold

O bride forsake all others,  
don't give your love abroad  
The king desires your beauty;  
so honour him your Lord  
The gown he gives is glorious,  
the threads are twined with gold  
In shimmering colours  
the envy of the world  
A joyful crowd is with her,  
with gladness now they sing  
And finally she enters  
the palace of the king

This king will reign forever,  
his sons upon the earth  
And ev'ry generation  
will tell of his great worth  
All nations will soon praise him  
and fall down at his feet  
His kingdom established,  
where truth and mercy meet  
O Jesus we adore you,  
our lover and our king  
Your church, your bride is waiting  
and so to you we sing

## Confession and Assurance

Hear what God's word says:

*"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets." (Matt 22:37-40)*

Have mercy on us, O God

**According to your unfailing love;**

**According to your great compassion.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins

and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Therefore, let us confess our sins against God,

and against our neighbour,

first in silence and then aloud together.

*Please kneel or remain seated.*

### *Prayer of Confession*

Almighty and most merciful God,

**We confess to you that we are by nature  
sinful and unclean,**

**And that we have sinned against You  
in thought, word, and deed;**

**Not only in outward transgressions,**

**But also in secret thoughts and desires**

**that we are not able to understand,**

**But which are all known to You.**

**For this reason,**

**we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy,**

**Seeking and imploring Your grace**

**for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Amen.**

### *Assurance of Pardon*

*“The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him. For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.” (Ps 103:8-14)*

## *Psalm 71:1-6, 22-24*

In you, O Lord, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame! In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me, and save me! Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may continually come; you have given the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

**Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel man. For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth. Upon you I have leaned from before my birth; you are he who took me from my mother's womb.**

My praise is continually of you. You will increase my greatness and comfort me again.

### *How Firm a Foundation*

How firm a foundation,  
you saints of the Lord,  
is laid for your faith  
in his excellent word!  
What more can he say  
than to you he has said –  
you, who unto Jesus  
for refuge have fled?

I will also praise you with the harp for your faithfulness, O my God; I will sing praises to you with the lyre, O Holy One of Israel.

**My lips will shout for joy, when I sing praises to you; my soul also, which you have redeemed. And my tongue will talk of your righteous help all the day long, for they have been put to shame and disappointed who sought to do me hurt.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever, age after age.**

**Amen!**

In every condition –  
in sickness and health,  
in poverty's vale,  
or abounding in wealth;  
at home or abroad,  
on the land, on the sea,  
as days may demand,  
shall your strength ever be.

Fear not, I am with you,  
O be not dismayed!  
For I am your God  
and will still give you aid:  
I'll strengthen you, help you,  
and cause you to stand,  
upheld by my righteous,  
omnipotent hand.

When through fiery trials  
your pathway shall lie,  
my grace all-sufficient  
shall be your supply;

the flame shall not hurt you;  
I only design  
your dross to consume,  
and your gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus  
has leaned for repose,  
I will not, I cannot,  
desert to his foes;  
that soul, though all Hell  
should endeavour to shake,  
I'll never, no, never,  
no, never forsake!

*Richard Keen (c.1787)*

## The Word of God

*First Reading: Luke 10:25-27, "The Parable of the Good Samaritan"*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Second Reading: Heb 9:1-28*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Sermon: Eternal Redemption - Secured (David Thornhill-Smith)*

### *Before the Throne of God Above*

Before the throne of God above  
I have a strong and perfect plea  
A great High Priest whose name is love  
Who ever lives and pleads for me  
My name is graven on His hands  
My name is written on His heart  
I know that while in heav'n He stands  
No tongue can bid me thence depart  
No tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair  
And tells me of the guilt within  
Upward I look and see Him there  
Who made an end to all my sin  
Because the sinless Saviour died  
My sinful soul is counted free  
For God the Just is satisfied  
To look on Him and pardon me  
To look on Him and pardon me

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb  
My perfect, spotless Righteousness  
The great unchangeable I AM  
The King of glory and of grace  
One with Himself, I cannot die

My soul is purchased by His blood  
My life is hid with Christ on high  
With Christ my Saviour and my God  
With Christ my Saviour and my God

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## Response to God's Word

### *The Nicene Creed*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.**

**Amen.**

## *Prayers of Intercession*

*After each petition:*

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name.**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## *Psalm 146*

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah,  
O my soul, Jehovah praise;  
I will sing the glorious praises  
Of my God through all my days.  
Put no confidence in princes,  
Nor for help on man depend;  
They shall die, to dust returning,  
And their purposes shall end.

Happy is the man that chooses  
Israel's God to be his aid;  
He is blest whose hope of blessing  
On the Lord his God is stayed.  
Heaven and earth the Lord created,  
Seas and all that they contain;  
He delivers from oppression,  
Righteousness He will maintain.

Food He daily gives the hungry,  
Sets the mourning prisoner free,  
Raises those bowed down with anguish,  
Makes the sightless eyes to see.  
Well Jehovah loves the righteous,  
And the stranger He befriends,  
Helps the fatherless and the widow,  
Judgment on the wicked sends.

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah,  
O my soul, Jehovah praise;  
I will sing the glorious praises  
Of my God through all my days.  
Over all God reigns forever,  
Through all ages He is King;  
Unto Him, your God, O Zion,  
Joyful hallelujahs sing.

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## Benediction and Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

**In the Name of Christ, Amen.**