

912 Open, Lovely Doors

CW 912



1 O - pen, love - ly doors, and let me come in - to God's
 2 With a song I've come to greet you; come to me, dear
 3 You de - serve my deep - est rev - 'rence; sanc - ti - fy me

house to - day! This is where great joys be - set me
 Lord, I pray. Where you let your peo - ple meet you
 through and through. Let my wor - ship in your pres - ence

more than I can sing or say. Here I view God's
 heav - en's light is bright as day. Let my heart your
 clear - ly show my love for you. Lord of mer - cy,

glo - rious face, see his light, re - ceive his grace.
 heav - en be; Sav - ior, make your home in me.
 hear my cry: lift my heart to you on high!

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In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Confession

CW 154

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.
If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

652 Lord, Have Mercy

CW 652 sts. 1, Refrain I, 2, Refrain II

1 For what we have done and left un - done we fall on your
(2 For) what you have done, your life of love you per - fect - ly

count - less mer - cies. For sins that are known and
lived, we praise you. Though tempt - ed and tried, you

those un - known we call on your name so ho - ly.
fixed your eyes; you fin - ished the work God gave you.



For en - vy and pride, for clos - ing our eyes; for
And there on the tree, a King a - mong thieves, you



scorn - ing our ver - y neigh - bor. In
bled for a world's be - tray - al. You



thought, word, and deed we've failed you, our King; how
loved to the end, our mer - ci - ful friend; how



deep - ly we need a Sav - ior. *Refrain I*
pure and for - ev - er faith - ful. *Refrain II*



Refrain I
Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy



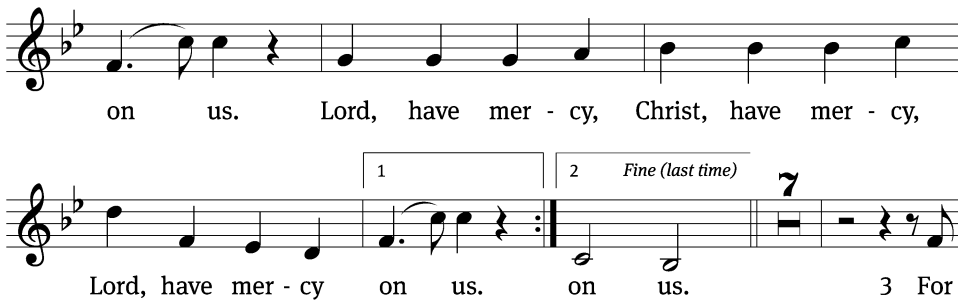
on us. Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy,



Lord, have mer - cy on us. 2 For



Refrain II
Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy



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The Word

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, the spirit to think and do what is right that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may by your help be enabled to live according to your will; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading

Exodus 20:1–17

¹And God spoke all these words:

²"I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

³"You shall have no other gods before me.

⁴"You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the parents to the

third and fourth generation of those who hate me, ⁶but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.

⁷"You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.

⁸"Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. ⁹Six days you shall labor and do all your work,

¹⁰but the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your male or female servant, nor your animals, nor any foreigner residing in your towns. ¹¹For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

¹²"Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you.

¹³"You shall not murder.

¹⁴"You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵"You shall not steal.

¹⁶"You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

¹⁷"You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male or female servant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor."

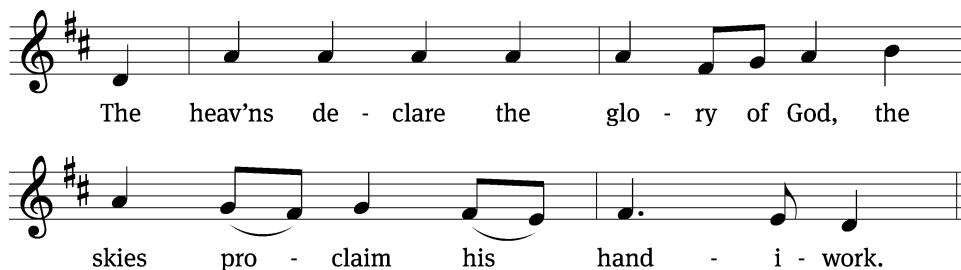
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

19A The Heavens Declare the Glory of God

Psalm 19A

Refrain



Tone



They have no speech, they / use no words;
no sound is / heard from them.
Yet their voice goes out into / all the earth,
their words to the ends / of the world. *Refrain*

The law of the LORD is perfect, refresh- / ing the soul.
The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light / to the eyes.
They are more precious than gold, than much / pure gold;
they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the / honeycomb.
By them your servant / is warned;
in keeping them there is / great reward. *Refrain*

May these words of my mouth and this meditation / of my heart
be pleasing in your sight, LORD, my rock and my Re- / deemer.
Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain*

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Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:18–25

¹⁸For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written:

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise;
the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate.”

²⁰Where is the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since in the wisdom of God

the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe. ²²Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, ²³but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

John 2:17



Refrain



Glo - ry, praise, and hon - or to you, Lord Je - sus Christ.

Tone



His disciples remembered that it is writ - ten:



“Zeal for your house will con - sume me.”

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Gospel

John 2:13–22

¹³When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴In the temple courts he found people selling cattle, sheep and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. ¹⁵So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple courts, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their

tables. ¹⁶To those who sold doves he said, “Get these out of here! Stop turning my Father’s house into a market!” ¹⁷His disciples remembered that it is written: “Zeal for your house will consume me.”

¹⁸The Jews then responded to him, “What sign can you show us to prove your authority to do all this?”

¹⁹Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days.”

²⁰They replied, “It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?” ²¹But the temple he had spoken of was his body. ²²After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said. Then they believed the scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

558 Salvation unto Us Has Come

CW 558 sts. 1–5



- 1 Sal - va - tion un - to us has come by God's free grace and
- 2 What God did in his law de - mand and none to him could
- 3 It was a false, mis - lead - ing dream that God his law had
- 4 From sin our flesh could not ab - stain, sin held its sway un -
- 5 Yet as the law must be ful - filled or we must die de -



fa - vor; good works can - not a - vert our doom, they help and
ren - der caused wrath and woe on ev - 'ry hand for man, the
giv - en that sin - ners could them-selves re-deem and by their
ceas - ing; the task was use - less and in vain, our guilt was
spair - ing, Christ came and has God's an - ger stilled, our hu - man



save us nev - er. Faith looks to Je - sus Christ a - lone, who
vile of - fend - er. Our flesh has not those pure de - sires the
works gain heav - en. The law is but a mir - ror bright to
e'er in - creas - ing. None can re - move sin's poi - soned dart or
na - ture shar - ing. He has for us the law o - beyed and



did for all the world a - tone; he is our one Re - deem - er.
spir - it of the law re - quires, and lost is our con - di - tion.
bring the in - bred sin to light that lurks with - in our na - ture.
pu - ri - fy our wick - ed heart, so deep is our cor - rup - tion.
thus the Fa - ther's venge - ance stayed which o - ver us im - pend - ed.

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Sermon

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

Brief intercessory prayers may be added in a fitting place.

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [especially . . . here name the person and the cause of the petition]. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors, [especially . . . here name the person]. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.
Amen.

Offering

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done
 on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
 as we forgive those
 who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours
 now and forever. Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.
Amen.

558 Salvation unto Us Has Come

CW 558 sts. 6–10



6 Since Christ has full a - tone-ment made and brought to us sal -
 7 Let me not doubt, but tru - ly see your Word can - not be
 8 The law re - veals the guilt of sin and makes us con-science-
 9 Faith clings to Je - sus' cross a - lone and rests in him un -
 10 All bless-ing, hon - or, thanks, and praise to Fa - ther, Son, and



va - tion, each Chris-tian there - fore may be glad and build on
 bro - ken; your call rings out, "Come un - to me!" No false-hood
 strick-en; but then the gos - pel en - ters in the sin - ful
 ceas - ing; and by its fruits true faith is known, with love and
 Spir - it, the God who saved us by his grace; all glo - ry



this foun-da - tion. Your grace a - lone, dear Lord, I plead, your
 have you spo - ken. Bap-tized in - to your pre-cious name, my
 soul to quick - en. Come to the cross, trust Christ, and live; the
 hope in - creas - ing. For faith a - lone can jus - ti - fy; works
 to his mer - it! O tri - une God in heav'n a - bove, you



death is now my life in - deed, for you have paid my ran - som.
 faith can - not be put to shame, and I shall nev - er per - ish.
 law no peace can ev - er give, no com - fort and no bless-ing.
 serve our neigh-bor and sup - ply the proof that faith is liv - ing.
 have re-vealed your sav - ing love; your bless-ed name be hal - lowed!

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