

## "HOW SWEET AND AWFUL\* IS THE PLACE"

Trinity Hymnal #469

How sweet and awful is the place With Christ within the doors,  
While everlasting love displays the choicest of her stores.

While all our hearts and all our songs join to admire the feast,  
Each of us cries, with thankful tongue, "Lord, why was I a guest?"

"Why was I made to hear your voice, And enter while there's room,  
When thousands make a wretched choice, And rather starve than come?"

'Twas the same love that spread the feast that sweetly drew us in;  
Else we had still refused to taste, And perished in our sin.

Pity the nations, O our God, constrain the earth to come;  
Send your victorious Word abroad, and bring the strangers home.

We long to see your churches full, That all the chosen race  
May, with one voice and heart and soul, Sing Thy redeeming grace.  
(Note: \*Full of Awe)

## WE THANK GOD FOR HIS BLESSINGS" (DOXOLOGY)

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow. / Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. / Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD: Matthew 6:9-13

*"The Lord's Prayer, the Heartbeat of the Gospel, part 2: Our Father in Heaven "*

*Pastor Michael Colvard*

## WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER

### "FATHER, LONG BEFORE CREATION"

Father, long before creation, Thou hadst chosen us in love,  
And that love so deep, so moving, Draws us close to Christ above.  
Still it keeps us, still it keeps us, Firmly fixed in Christ alone.

Though the world may change its fashion, Yet our God is e'er the same;  
His compassion and His covenant, Through all ages will remain.  
God's own children, God's own children, Must forever praise His name.

God's compassion is my story, Is my boasting all the day;  
Mercy free and never failing, Moves my will, directs my way.  
God so loved us, God so loved us, That His only Son He gave.

Loving Father now before Thee, We will ever praise Thy love,  
And our songs will sound unceasing, 'Til we reach our home above,  
Giving glory, giving glory, To our God and to the Lamb.

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## WE RECEIVE GOD'S BLESSING OVER US (BENEDICTION)



# The Worship of God

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*Harbor's mission is to exist as a FAMILY of God's people to GLORIFY God in all things, by  
PREACHING the gospel of Jesus Christ crucified, EQUIPPING His saints,  
and ENGAGING our community and the world with the love of Christ.*

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## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP: Psalm 103:1-13 (selections)

*(Please Read Responsively)*

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name!

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits.

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.

## WE ASK GOD TO BE WITH US (PRAYER OF INVOCATION)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

## "IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE"

*Trinity Hymnal #38*

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.  
Unresting, unhasting and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above,  
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;  
All praise we would render; O help us to see,  
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

## WE CONFESS OUR SIN TOGETHER

*Most holy and merciful Father, we confess to you and to one another that we have sinned against you by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not fully loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not always had in us the mind of Christ. You alone know how often we have grieved you by wasting your gifts, by wandering from your ways. Forgive us, we pray you, most merciful Father; and free us from our sin. Renew in us the grace and strength of your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son our Savior. Amen.*

## WE CONFESS OUR SINS IN OUR HEARTS *(silently)*

### GOD ASSURES US WE ARE FORGIVEN: Psalm 130:8-10

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.

### **“GOD OMNISCIENT, GOD ALL KNOWING”**

God omniscient, God all knowing, in His wisdom does ordain,  
Every working of creation to the glory of His name.  
Who His thoughts can dare to fathom, who His judgments can contain,  
None His equal, unassailable, He our God who ever reigns.

God all keeping, omnipresent, in the passing days of man,  
First to last, not one forgotten by His strong and steering hand.  
He the Sovereign Lord now praise we, He the fount of Providence  
On His word we rest unwavering, yes His perfect word shall stand.

God omnipotent and mighty, inexhaustible His strength,  
Governments and fleeting powers, melt before His majesty.  
How unsearchable His greatness, how inscrutable His ways,  
Sing His greatness and preeminence over all created things.

God unchanging, ever-faithful, to His covenant of grace,  
We His people Christ did ransom, to the glory of His name.  
Now ascribe unending worship, now ascribe immortal praise,  
To the God whose kingdom cometh, Blessed be His matchless name.

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## WE CONFESS OUR FAITH TOGETHER: Westminster Larger Catechism #189

### Q. 189 What does the preface of the Lord’s Prayer teach us?

**A. The preface of the Lord’s Prayer (contained in these words, Our Father which art in heaven,) teaches us, when we pray, to draw near to God with confidence of his fatherly goodness, and our interest therein; with reverence, and all other childlike dispositions, heavenly affections, and due apprehensions of his sovereign power, majesty, and gracious condescension: as also, to pray with and for others.**

## MEMORY VERSE: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

### **“WE REJOICE IN ALL YOUR WORKS (PSALM 104)”**

Every mouth that cries for food, every lung that yearns for breath,  
Every eye that searches through the dark for light,  
All creation looks to You for its breath and for its food;  
**From the goodness of Your hand we’re satisfied.**

#### Refrain

Oh rejoice in all Your works, King of heaven, King of earth!  
Every creature You have made declares Your praise.  
**We rejoice in all You’ve made, God of all sustaining grace;**  
With the mountain, sky, and sea we sing Your praise.

Every tree that thirst for rain, every bird that seeks its nest,  
Every heart that waits in hope to be made glad,  
All creation looks to You for its breath and for its food;  
**From the goodness of Your hand we’re satisfied. (Refrain)**

**May the pond’rings of my heart and the song upon my lips,**  
With the chorus of creation join in praise,  
To the God who made all things, To the Spirit who sustains,  
To the Son who over all creation reigns. *(Refrain)*

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## **WE READ FROM GOD’S WORD:** Galatians 4:1-7

<sup>1</sup> I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything. <sup>2</sup> but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. <sup>3</sup> In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. <sup>4</sup> But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup> to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. <sup>6</sup> And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his **Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!”** <sup>7</sup> So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

## WE PRAY TO GOD FOR THE CONGREGATION

*Gabe Atchison*

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