



SENDING FORTH
The Life of the Body

Now to Him whose name be praised, when we face the enemy and we prevail against the principalities and powers ranged against us, and to Him whose name be blessed even when we are in a cave of loneliness, hiding our faces in despair – to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. **Amen.**

Go forth into the world to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be Your name, in the land that is plentiful,
Where Your streams of abundance flow; blessed be Your name.
Blessed be Your name, when I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness; blessed be Your name.

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise;
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say –

Chorus:
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name.

Blessed be Your name, when the sun's shining down on me,
When the world's all as it should be; blessed be Your name.
Blessed be Your name, on the road marked with suffering,
Though there's pain in the offering; blessed be Your name.

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A thought about worship...

“I am of the personal opinion that the true meaning of Sunday worship has been lost in many of our churches. . . . Historically Sunday worship expresses three truths: It remembers God’s saving action in history; it experiences God’s renewing presence; and it anticipates the consummation of God’s work in the new heavens and the new earth.” (Robert E. Webber, *Ancient-Future Time: Forming Spirituality through the Christian Year* [Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2004], 169).



Epiclesis

An Ancient-Future Faith Community

Liturgy

June 20, 2010 (Forth Sunday after Pentecost)

GATHERING

Everlasting

Verse 1
Ev'ry morning His mercies are new to me,
Ev'ry day His love is perfect;
Ev'ry moment His beauty shines through me –
Let's thank Him for His everlasting love.

Chorus
His kingdom, His power, His glory...

Verse 2
We will worship toward His holy temple;
We will thank Him with a whole heart,
For His lovingkindness and His truth –
Let us praise His great and awesome name

Bridge
Everlasting to everlasting:
Seek the Lord and His strength.
Everlasting to everlasting:
Break forth in song, rejoice,
Be thankful, bless His name;
Remember all He's done.

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THE WORD

1 Kings 19:1-15a
(1 Kings 18:17-46)

THE TABLE
Blessing – Remembering – Taking – Reflecting

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your Name.
Your kingdom come, Your will be done
On earth as in heav'n.

Give us today our daily bread; forgive us our sins,
As we forgive those who sin against us;

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours.
Now and forever, Amen.

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My Lips will Praise You

My lips will praise You, for You are holy.
My voice will ever rise before Your throne.
My heart will love You, for You are lovely,
And You have called me to become Your own.

I am Your own, and I will worship You alone.
I am Your own, I am Your child.

I am Your own, and I will worship at Your throne.
I am Your own, and I will love You.

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Shout joyfully to God, all the earth:
Sing the glory of His name; make His praise glorious.
Say to God, "How awesome are Your works!
Your power is very great.

All the earth will worship You, and sing praises to You;
They will sing praises to Your name."

I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD, forever.

With my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.
I declare that your steadfast love is established forever.

Your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

It is good to praise the LORD

And make music to your name, O Most High,

To proclaim your love in the morning

And your faithfulness at night.

– from Psalms 66, 89 and 92

INVOCATION

Spontaneous prayers of welcome and praise



Sleeping Elijah, Heqi, 2001



He's Always Been Faithful

Morning by morning I wake up to find
The power and comfort of God's hand in mine.
Season by season I watch Him amazed,
In awe of the mystery of His perfect ways.
All I have need of His hand will provide;
He's always been faithful to me.

I can't remember a trial or a pain
He did not recycle to bring me gain.
I can't remember one single regret
In serving God only and trusting His hand.
All I have need of His hand will provide;
He's always been faithful to me.

Great is Thy Faithfulness

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 be.

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 faithfulness, Lord unto me.

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This is my anthem, this is my song,
The theme of the story I've heard for so long:
God has been faithful, He will be again;
His loving compassion, it knows no end.
All I have need of His hand will provide.
He's always been faithful,
He's always been faithful,
He's always been faithful to me.

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PROFESSION OF FAITH

**People: As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for
You, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.**

Reader: Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you
disquieted within me? Hope in God, for I shall again praise Him for
the help of His presence.

**When my soul is cast down within me, then I will remember Him
and His awesome works on behalf of His people.**

**Day by day the Lord commands His steadfast love, and at night
His song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.**

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within
me? Hope in God, for I shall again praise Him, my help and my
God.

Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause.

For You are my refuge and strength.

O send out Your light and Your truth;

They will lead me and bring me to Your dwelling places,

And I will praise You, O God, my God.

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within
me? Hope in God, for I shall yet praise Him, my salvation and my
God.

– from Psalm 42, 43, and 66

READING: 1 Kings 19:1-15a

Yet I Will Praise You

Verse 1

I will praise You, Lord, my God;
Even in my brokenness I will praise You, Lord.
I will praise You, Lord, my God;
Even in my desperation I will praise You, Lord.
And I can't understand all that You allow,
I just can't see the reason.
But my life is in Your hands,
And though I cannot see You, I choose to trust You.



Chorus 1

Even when my heart is torn, I will praise You, Lord,
Even when I feel deserted I will praise You, Lord,
Even in the darkest valley, I will praise You, Lord,
And when my world is shattered, and it seems all hope is gone
Yet I will praise You, Lord.

Verse 2

I will trust You, Lord, my God;
Even in my loneliness I will trust You, Lord,
I will trust You, Lord, my God;
Even when I cannot hear You I will trust You, Lord,
And I will not forget that You hung on a cross,
Lord, You bled and died for me,
And if I have to suffer I know that You've been there,
And I know that You're here now.

Chorus 2

Even when my heart is torn I will trust You, Lord,
Even when I feel deserted I will trust You, Lord,
Even in the darkest valley I will trust You, Lord,
And when my world is shattered, and it seems all hope is gone,
Yet I will praise You, Lord.

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Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be Your name, when I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness,
Blessed be Your name,
Blessed be Your name, on the road marked with suffering;
Though there's pain in the offering,
Blessed be Your name.

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PRAYERS OF CONFESSION



O Lord, Hear My Prayer

O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer,
When I call answer me,
O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer,
Come and listen to me.

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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Come and hear, all who fear God, and I will tell of what He has done
for my soul. If I regard wickedness in my heart, the Lord will not hear.
But certainly God has heard; He has given heed to the voice of my
prayer. Blessed be God, who has not turned away my prayer nor His
lovingkindness from me.
Psalm 66:16, 18-20



Prophet Elijah on Mount Horeb, Daniele da Volterra, 1550-1560

TIME OF OFFERING