

# Brainerd Presbyterian Church, EPC

## Order of Worship for October 10, 2021

### REFLECTION BEFORE WORSHIP

#### 1 John 4:19

We love because he first loved us. 20 If anyone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. 21 And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

#### *Prelude*

#### Announcements

#### \*Call to Worship

This is the Day that the Lord has made!

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

Forgiveness is found in Jesus Christ.

**Jesus is the Savior and Lord.**

Let us magnify God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Let us exalt God's name together!**

#### \*Prayer of Adoration

#### \*Prayer of Confession

Our Lord Jesus said: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." As God has instructed us in these great commandments, let us now confess our sins to God, trusting Christ as our Savior and Lord.

*(A moment for silent confession and reflection)*

#### Word of Comfort *1 John 2:1b-2*

#### *\*The Love of God (No. 67)*

The love of God is greater far  
Than tongue or pen can ever tell,  
It goes beyond the highest star  
And reaches to the lowest hell;  
The guilty pair, bowed down with care,  
God gave His Son to win:  
His erring child He reconciled  
And pardoned from his sin. *Refrain*

#### *Refrain:*

O love of God, how rich and pure!  
How measureless and strong!  
It shall forevermore endure -  
The saints' and angels' song.

When years of time shall pass away  
And earthly thrones and kingdoms fall,  
When men, who here refuse to pray,  
On rocks and hills and mountains call,

God's love so sure shall still endure,  
All measureless and strong:  
Redeeming grace to Adam's race -  
The saints' and angels' song. *Refrain*

Could we with ink the ocean fill  
And were the skies of parchment made,  
Were ev'ry stalk on earth a quill  
And ev'ry man a scribe by trade,  
To write the love of God above  
Would drain the ocean dry,  
Nor could the scroll contain the whole  
Tho stretched from sky to sky. *Refrain*

#### *Refrain:*

O love of God, how rich and pure!  
How measureless and strong!  
It shall forevermore endure -  
The saints' and angels' song.

*\*How Deep the Father's Love for Us*

How deep the Father's love for us,  
How vast beyond all measure,  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure.  
How great the pain of searing loss –  
The Father turns His face away,  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One  
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross,  
My sin upon His shoulders;  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers.

Prayers for the People

*Special Music In the House of the Lord*

**Scripture** *Luke 10:25-37*

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Apostles' Creed (No. 716) 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; He descended into hades; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Sermon** "The Greatest Commandment, Part 2: Love Others"

*\*O Love That Will Not Let Me Go (No. 374)*

O Love that will not let me go,  
I rest my weary soul in Thee;  
I give Thee back the life I owe,  
That in Thine ocean depths its flow  
May richer, fuller be.

O Light that foll'west all my way,  
I yield my flick'ring torch to Thee;  
My heart restores its borrowed ray,  
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day  
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me thru pain,  
I cannot close my heart to Thee;  
I trace the rainbow thru the rain,  
And feel the promise is not vain  
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,  
I dare not ask to fly from Thee;  
I lay in dust's life's glory dead,  
And from the ground there blossoms red  
Life that shall endless be.

\*Remembering the Sacraments: Baptism

\*Offering

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*\*Doxology (No. 625)* Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*Benediction

REFLECTING ON WORSHIP

- **Read Again:** Luke 10:25-37
- **Reflection:** Name one thing challenging about this passage and one thing beautiful about this passage.
- **Question To Ponder and for Discussion:** How is Jesus the Good Samaritan for us?
- **Pray:** Confess to God the ways we are slow to love our neighbors, and pray for the Holy Spirit to empower us to love others like Jesus does.

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