

## Order for Worship – Sunday, June 7th

### ***Opening Song of Praise: “God I Look to You”***

God, I look to you, I won't be overwhelmed  
Give me vision to see things like you do  
God I look to you, you're where my help comes from  
Give me wisdom, you know just what to do (repeat)

*(chorus) And I will love you, Lord, my strength*

*I will love you, Lord, my shield*

*I will love you, Lord, my rock forever*

*All my days I will love you, God*

*(chorus II) Hallelujah, our God reigns*

*Hallelujah, our God reigns*

*Hallelujah, our God reigns*

*Forever, all my days, Hallelujah*

### **Corporate Prayer of Confession and Lament**

***Merciful God, we humble ourselves before you.***

***You are holy and righteous, the source of all good, faithful in all your ways and just in all your dealings. You oppose the proud, but lift up the humble. To you all hearts are laid bare.***

***Today we confess our sin. We have ignored the pain of others, and justified ourselves in our own eyes. We have grieved your holy spirit by our calloused hearts. We have tolerated injustice – the economic, cultural and political realities that disadvantage people of color. We confess our complicity, and we acknowledge the secret attitudes of our hearts that privilege some and distrust others. We repent, turning from sin, seeking your grace.***

***Holy Spirit, come. Soften and shape us. Blow fresh winds of love and justice through your church, that our fellowship might display the promise of your kingdom, in which people of every tribe, tongue and nation find unity in you – a new humanity, born of grace. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Amen.***

**God's Promise of Forgiveness: (Ezekiel 36)**

**Thus says the Lord: I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleanness, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; I will remove from you your heart of stone, and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.**

***Song of Preparation: Ancient Words***

Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world,  
They resound with God's own heart. O let the ancient words impart.  
Words of life, words of hope, give us strength, help us cope.  
In this world, where e'er we roam, ancient words will guide us home.

*(Chorus) Ancient words ever true, changing me, and changing you.  
We have come with open hearts. O let the ancient words impart.*

Holy words of our faith handed down to this age.  
Came to us through sacrifice. Oh heed the faithful words of Christ.  
Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world.

They resound with God's own heart. Oh let the ancient words impart.  
*(Chorus)*

**Scripture Lesson: Proverbs 1:1-7, 20-23.**

**Message: "A Time for Wisdom"**

***Prayer & The Lord's Prayer***

***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, forever. Amen.***

***Closing Hymn "Open My Eyes, That I May See"***

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me;  
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.

*(Refrain) Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.*

*Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!*

Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear;  
And while the wavenotes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.  
(refrain)

Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere;  
Open my heart and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.  
(refrain)

Benediction