WORSHIPING GOD THROUGH THE OFFERING

THE DOXOLOGY (Sung in Unison)

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.

LEAVING WITH GOD'S BLESSING - (Jude 24-25)

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever.

Amen.

(Any announcements will follow immediately after the service)

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REFORMED BAPTIST CHURCH ORDER OF WORSHIP



God invites his people to gather in the Covenant Renewal Ceremony. This is what corporate worship is. Throughout Scripture, God approaches his people, summons them together, and make a treaty. This covenant consisted of an introduction by God the King, a history of what he has done for his people, stipulations or requirements between the two parties, followed by a list of blessings or curses for obedience or disobedience respectively. In the new covenant, Christ has obeyed the stipulations for us, in order that, by faith, we become the beneficiaries of the blessings. Thus, we are able with renewed hearts to worship God properly and sincerely.

PRELUDE AND PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

(Once the music begins we ask that you refrain from talking in the Sanctuary that we might have an atmosphere of silent preparation for worship.)

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP - (Proverbs 21:16-17)

One who wanders from the way of good sense will rest in the assembly of the Rephaim. Whoever loves pleasure will be a poor man; he who loves wine and oil will not be rich.

WE INVOKE GOD'S PRESENCE • (Psalm 88:10-11, 1-2)

Do you work wonders for the dead? Do the *Rephaim* rise up to praise you? Is your steadfast love declared in the grave, or your faithfulness in Abaddon? O God of our salvation, incline your ear to our cry!

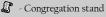
GOD GREETS HIS PEOPLE

Grace and peace to you from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

- **HEARING THE LAW -** Genesis 6:1-7
- RESPONDING IN PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

Dearly loved brothers and sisters, we are called to examine ourselves in the light of God's Law. Let us go to God in public confession.

Heavenly Father, Almighty Lord and Maker of heaven and earth: We acknowledge before your throne that we are sinners gone astray from birth. By



BOLD - Congregation read together



(Please turn off phones, pagers, alarm clocks., games, and browsers. Thank you.)

nature we are objects of wrath, hostage to death and prone to evil. We have sinned against you in what we have done, and in what we have left undone. In our sin we violate your holy commandments, delighting in what our eyes see rather than in your Word. Our hearts are filled with the love of the world, our eyes are blinded by pride and doubt, and we are greatly distressed by these sins.

SILENT CONFESSION

PRAYER OF REPENTANCE -

Heavenly Father, we are sorry that we sin against you. Yet, you forgive us whenever we turn to you, confessing our sin, admitting our guilt, and turning to Christ. You forgive us more than seventy times seven. We thank you for such kindness and grace, and we ask that you would help us in return to extend such forgiveness to any who seek it from us, for as long as they seek it, so that we might love our neighbor as ourselves.

GOD'S COVENANT BLESSING RENEWED

Our first parents sinned, and passed this condition down to their posterity. Their very first child went astray. His children and theirs likewise were corrupt and wicked. The entire human race was full of sin, such that every thought of all mankind was only evil all the time. As a holy God, he judged sin, bringing a flood to destroy mankind.

But in his grace, God preserved eight souls from death. He saved them through his wrath in the ark of his covenantal love. Jesus Christ is the Ark wherein any who flee to him for safety and forgiveness will be kept from the wrath and anger of God, for Jesus bore our sin in his body, and was judged with the judgment that we deserve, so that those who look to him by faith alone might be forgiven and saved.

Do you believe in Christ alone to save you from the wrath of God, to satisfy the justice of God, to take the punishment that you deserve, and to be the only one who is able to rescue and save you from your sin?

We do.

Then hear anew the pardon of God: In the name of Christ and by the authority of his Word - as you testify to your faith in Christ - the Scripture declares that even *this* day, "You are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus." Therefore, you are no longer under the wrath of God. **Amen!**

CONFESSING OUR FAITH - 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 also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.
Amen.

PSALM OF WORSHIP - God of the Morning (See Insert)

HEARING THE GOOD NEWS - Genesis 6:8-22

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord God, we are unable to see the glory of Christ unless the veil is taken off of our eyes. Thank you for revealing Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ to us in these pages, and we pray now that you would allow us to see the gracious provisions that you have made for your people through these promises. Illumine our minds by your Holy Spirit we pray.

RESPONDING TO THE GOSPEL - Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be world without end, Amen, Amen.

PSALM OF RESPONSE - My Trust is in the LORD (# 48)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

HEARING THE WORD PREACHED

Giants on the Earth (Genesis 6:1-4)

HYMN OF CONSECRATION - Arise, My Soul, Arise (#223)

LORD'S SUPPER (See Communion insert)

HYMN OF RESPONSE - When a Strong Man Armed Keepeth (See Insert)

God of the Morning

From Psalm 19 and 73

God of the morning! at whose voice
The cheerful sun makes haste to rise,
And like a giant doth rejoice
To run his journey through the skies.

From the fair chambers of the east
The circuit of his race begins,
And, without weariness or rest,
Round the whole earth he flies and shines.

But I shall rove and lose the race, If God, my sun, should disappear, And leave me in this world's wild maze, To follow every wand'ring star.

Lord, thy commands are clean and pure, Enlight'ning our beclouded eyes; Thy threat'nings just, thy promise sure, Thy gospel makes the simple wise.

Give me thy counsel for my guide, And then receive me to thy bliss; All my desires and hopes beside Are faint and cold compared with this.

Lyrics: Isaac Watts L.M. to the tune of Erhalt uns, Herr (#91)

When a Strong Man Armed Keepeth

From Psalm 19 and 73

- LONG undisturb'd the tempter keeps
 His house, and rules without control;
 The soul in his possession sleeps,
 The careless, brash, unthinking soul.
 No trouble fears, no evil sees,
 But rests secure in hellish peace.
 - 2 Pride is the armor of our foe,
 In man's depravity he trusts,
 And never will his house forego,
 While strengthen'd with the sinner's lusts.
 While guilt and unbelief remains
 The tyrant in his palace reigns.
- 3 O come, Thou stronger than the fiend,
 The giant arm'd this moment bind;
 This moment his oppressions end,
 Destroy in me the carnal mind,
 The pride of life, the lusts unclean,
 And root out all my love of sin.
 - 4 By taking all my sins away,
 From Satan all his armour take,
 Thy glory through Thy house display;
 And that the foe may ne'er come back,
 Secure me for Thy lawful prize,
 And bear Thy trophy to the skies.