

ORDER OF WORSHIP

June 21, 2020

Psalm 145: 1-15

I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name forever and ever.
Every day I will bless you,
and praise your name forever and ever.
Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;
his greatness is unsearchable.
One generation shall laud your works to another,
and shall declare your mighty acts.
On the glorious splendor of your majesty,
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.
The might of your awesome deeds shall be proclaimed,
and I will declare your greatness.
They shall celebrate the fame of your abundant goodness,
and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.
The Lord is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
The Lord is good to all,
and his compassion is over all that he has made.
All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord,
and all your faithful shall bless you.
They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom,
and tell of your power,
to make known to all people your mighty deeds,
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.
The Lord is faithful in all his words,
and gracious in all his deeds.
The Lord upholds all who are falling,
and raises up all who are bowed down.
The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food in due season.

Liturgy for Creation (*from the Moravian Book of Worship*)

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the heights above.

Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars.

Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all ocean depths, lightning and hail, snow and clouds, stormy winds that do his bidding.

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created.

Princes and rulers, men and women, old and young together,

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his splendor is above the earth and the heavens.

Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget none of his benefits.

We have one who speaks to the Father in our defense--Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours, but also for the sins of the whole world.

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart, in full assurance of faith, and confess our sins.

Gracious God, we confess to you our sins: sins of oppression, when prejudice, fear, and hate rule our hearts; sins of neglect, when we poison the earth for profit or we ignore pleas for mercy and justice; sins of pride; and sins of greed. Lord, forgive us when we feed our anger and bathe in our despair. Hear now our confessions and know our hearts.

(Silent confession)

Have mercy, O God, according to your unfailing love;

Wash away all our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin. Amen.

As high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is God's love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

VOICE: God of the spar - row, God of the
ALL: God of the earth - quake, God of the

whale, storm, God of the swirl - ing stars,
God of the trum - pet blast,

CHORUS: How does the crea - ture say Awe?
How does the crea - ture cry Woe?

How does the crea - ture say Praise?
How does the crea - ture cry Save?

In praise of our Creator, let us affirm our faith.

**I believe in the one true God, the Father of humanity,
who creates and sustains the universe
in wisdom and power,
who calls us into being and into relationship
with God by grace,
whose nature is love.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God,
who lived that we might see God,
who died that we might be reconciled to God,
who rose again that we might experience
the life of God,
who freely accepts and welcomes all who come to him,
not on the basis of their merit,
but on the basis of his unconditional love.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
who is God present with us now,
who shows us our need for God,
who assures us of God's love in all circumstances,
who lives the life and the love of Jesus Christ
through us.**

**In this faith I will seek to live in harmony with God, with people everywhere, and with all of creation.
Amen.**