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**Numbers 21:8-9**

And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live."

So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

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## God Gathers Us for Worship

Welcome

\*Call to Worship: Psalm 107:1-3

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O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
for his steadfast love endures forever.  
Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,  
those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands,  
from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.  
**O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
for his steadfast love endures forever.**

\*Song: "Amen (Because He Lives)"

**1. I believe in the Son; I believe in the Risen One;  
I believe I overcome by the power of His blood;**

*Chorus*

**Amen, amen, I'm alive I'm alive because He lives.  
Amen, amen, let my song join the one that never ends because He lives.**

**2. I was dead in the grave; I was covered in sin and shame;  
I heard mercy call my name; He rolled the stone away. (to chorus)**

*Bridge*

**Because He lives, I can face tomorrow;  
because He lives; ev'ry fear is gone;  
I know He holds my life, my future in His hand. (to chorus)**

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\*Opening Prayer

\*Song: "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"

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\*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

## We Are Reconciled and Renewed

Call to Confession: "Return to God"

**Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

The Invitation

*We invite you to come to the communion station closest to you, leaving your row to the left and moving clockwise. We ask that you take the bread and juice back to your seats and we will eat and drink together after all are served.  
You are invited to sing while you are seated.*

The Communion: "What Wondrous Love"

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The Thanksgiving: Psalm 103

**Praise the Lord, my soul;  
all my inmost being, praise his holy name.  
Praise the Lord, my soul; and forget not all his benefits—  
who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,  
who redeems your life from the pit  
and crowns you with love and compassion.**

## Sending

\*Benediction

\*Song: "The Greatest Commandment"

*Part 1:*

**Love the Lord your God with all your heart and soul and mind  
and love your neighbor as yourself. (repeat)**

*Part 2:*

**Let us be known, let us be known by the way we love. (repeat)**

*Part 3:*

**Love, love, love,  
the greatest commandment is love, love, love,  
the greatest commandment is love, love, love,  
the greatest commandment is love.**

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He alone paid the debt of our sin;  
there is no other Savior.  
We are chosen in Christ to become like him in every way.  
God's electing love sustains our hope:  
God's grace is free to save sinners  
who offer nothing but their need for mercy.

Prayers for the Church and World

## God Meets Us in the Breaking of the Bread

Preparing the Table

All things come from you, O Lord.

**And of our own, we have given you.**

We bring bread;

**you give your body.**

We bring wine;

**you give your blood.**

We bring our offerings;

**yours is the sacrifice.**

Let us bring our gifts to be prepared for the communion feast of our Lord.

Song: "Ah, Holy Jesus, How Have You Offended"

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The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks for the Lord our God.

**It is right for us to give thanks and praise.**

The Institution: I Corinthians 11

The Consecration

Praise to you, Lord Jesus.

**Dying, you destroyed our death.**

**Rising, you restore our life.**

**Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Prayer of Consecration, concluding with 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.**

The Psalm Reading: Psalm 107:2-22, 33-38, 43

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Song: "Return to God"

***Return to God with all your heart, the Source of grace and mercy;  
come seek the tender faithfulness of God.***

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Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Ephesians 2:4-7

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God, who is rich in mercy,  
out of the great love with which he loved us  
even when we were dead through our trespasses,  
made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—  
and raised us up with him and seated us with him  
in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,  
so that in the ages to come he might show  
the immeasurable riches of his grace  
in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow!**

## God Speaks to Us through His Word

Children's Blessing: "The Steadfast Love of the Lord"

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Children ages 3 years old through 1st grade are invited to go downstairs to the Multi-Purpose Room for a time of worship designed especially for young children. Our young guests are welcome to participate in this service. Parents, we invite you to walk your children downstairs to help get them settled in.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Numbers 21:1-9

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Sermon: "Bloody Bones and Good Infections"

Pastor Joel Kok

## We Respond in Faith

\*Song of Response: "As Moses Raised the Serpent Up"

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\*We Profess Our Faith: Our World Belongs to God

Being both divine and human,  
Jesus is the only mediator.

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