

WORSHIP AT HOME SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2020

You can use this simple worship outline three different ways . . .

- join the worship livestream on Sunday, October 25 at 10 a.m. [on our Facebook page](#)
- [watch a recording](#) of the livestream that will be uploaded later that day
- on your own at a time of your own choosing.

As you prepare to worship . . .

- **Think about where you will gather.** Will you sit at your kitchen table, in the family room, or somewhere else? Make sure everyone with you can participate comfortably.
- **Make your space sacred.** Light a candle (or two or three), and make sure you have a Bible handy to follow along with the scripture reading. If you have a cross, put it in a central place. Find a nice bowl and fill it with water to remember your baptism as we do with the font at Resurrection.
- **Prepare for music.** The livestream and recording will include a hymn that you can sing along with. If you are worshiping on your own, make your own music! Simple songs like “Jesus Loves Me” or “This Little Light of Mine” are great for kids who can’t yet read. It might be fun to search YouTube for one of your favorite songs from church.
- **If you are worshiping on your own, choose leaders and readers.** The leader will read the parts in regular type and everyone else responds with the parts in **bold** type. Someone will need to read scripture, too. You can look through and assign those parts ahead of time or pick someone as you go.

A Service of the Word for the 21st Sunday After Pentecost

INVOCATION

We begin in the name of the Father,
and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son,
that you have protected us through the night from all harm and danger.
We ask that you would also protect us today from sin and all evil,
so that our life and actions may please you.
Into your hands we commend ourselves:
our bodies, our souls, and all that is ours.
Let your holy angels be with us,
so that the wicked foe may have no power over us.
Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

[Deuteronomy 34:1-12](#)

Moses was not allowed to enter the promised land, but he was granted the right to see it from Mount Nebo before he died. The statement that no prophet has arisen in Israel like Moses (34:10) stands in tension with Deuteronomy 18:15 (God will “raise up for you a prophet like

me") and led to the expectation that another Moses would still come. In several New Testament passages Jesus is identified as that prophet.

REFLECTION

If you are worshiping on your own, reflect on and talk about the scripture passage. What strikes you? What questions do you have? What do you think this experience was like for Moses? How have you experienced God's grace or witnessed God's glory?

HYMN OF THE DAY

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

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- 1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
- 2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;
- 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,
- 4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all our years away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles last
and our eternal home.

PRAYERS

If you are following along with the livestream or the recording, the pastor will lead a time of prayer. Each of the petitions will conclude with the words:

"Lord, in your mercy,"

To which you are invited to respond:

"hear our prayer."

If you are worshiping on your own, pray together for the world and its leaders, our church, our community, and your neighbors, family, and friends. Ask those who are with you what they would like to pray for, and be sure to remember those who are sick, people who work in healthcare, and all emergency workers. One person could pray for the whole group aloud, or you could take turns praying aloud.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

If you are worshiping on your own, you choose which version!

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

DISMISSAL

Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness;
be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good;
render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted;
support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people;
love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
Thanks be to God.

Don't forget to blow out any candles, and make sure no one spills the water!

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