Prayer of Preparation

Holy and loving God,

as we worship today and
throughout Lent,

we long for your Spirit to comfort and challenge us.

Help us to become more and
more loving.

In a world that does not understand repentance

we pray for new understanding,
humility, patience and discipline
that will set us free to die to sin
and live for Jesus. Amen

Special Prayer Need	ls

Welcome!

We are grateful that you joined us today and would love to keep in touch. We have a nursery for infants and toddlers. After Passing of the Peace, Pre-K through 2nd grade continue to worship upstairs. After the service, please join us downstairs for refreshments provided by Arbor Dale's Joy Group.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Refreshments for next Sunday: The Faithfulness Group. Contact Barbara Cornett 898-7661

Congregational meeting following worship on 3/24/19 to elect the 2019 Nominating Committee.

Prayer Shawl meeting Saturday March 23, 10 am at the church.

Concert at Arbor Dale: PW Gopal, March 24, 5-7 pm. See insert for more details.

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March 17, 2019



Service for the Lord's Day — 17 March 2019

* Congregation Stands

GREETING

Leader: The Lord be with you All: And also with you.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Here the word of the Lord from Hebrews: Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfector of our faith,

All: who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of God..

Leader: Let us consider him who endured such

opposition from sinful people,

All: so that we will not grow weary and lose heart.

* **OPENING HYMN** #207 We Have Come to Join in Worship

* CALL TO CONFESSION

The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners, Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence, trusting that God will forgive our sin and cleanse us from all wrong. Let us confess our sin to God.

* CONFESSION

God, we make so many mistakes; we turn away from you so often, we turn away from others so often, we turn back to ourselves so easily. We need you so much. We need you to turn us out and lead us into your world and work and way. Thank you that you so loved the world that you sent your son to take up and take away our sin dying on the cross and defeating death.

* ASSURANCE OF SALVATION

Those who love me, I will deliver, says the Lord; I will protect those who know my name. when they

call on me I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them and show them my salvation.

* THE GLORIA PATRI and PASSING THE PEACE

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.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* HYMN OF PREPARATION Who is Like the Lord Our God? **

Our Father, he lifts from the ashes;
He raises the poor and the lost;
He seats them to dine at his table,
To feast without money or cost.
The lonely he settles in families
The barren, a mother he makes;
O happy the heart of the stranger
Who's welcomed by this King of Grace.

Chorus:

Who is like the LORD our God? Who with glory fills the skies, But humbles himself with the broken to dwell? Who is like our God?

Though equal to God in His glory,
Christ Jesus became like a slave;
He humbled himself in obedience
To death and the cross and the grave.
Victorious, he rose to the highest;
In glory, the Savior was raised.
His name above all names exalted;
The heavens and earth sing his praise
O Saints, fix your eyes on the Savior
And count all your righteousness lost.
Be found in his love and his favor
And share in his death on the cross

And count all your righteousness lo Be found in his love and his favor And share in his death on the cross That all of his power in victory, Imparted to you, may abound. And sharing the suff'rings of Jesus, You share in his glory and crown.

SCRIPTURE AND SERMON

DN Luke 10:25-37 Life, Love, Seeing and Doing

* CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you. Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

* THE DOXOLOGY

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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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

* HYMN OF DEDICATION

#589 Here I Am, Lord

* BENEDICTION

Chorus

^{**} Who is Like the Lord our God? by Bruce Benedict & Wendell Kimbrough 2013 from Hallel Psalms - Cardiphonia Compilation CCLI# 11214042