

Worship Guide Sunday, March 16, 2025

## Call to Worship - Psalm 148

As the fountain of all truth, goodness, and beauty, God deserves our trust, honor, and adoration. The call to worship invites us to consider whether we are making God the object of our worship, and stirs us to recenter our lives on him alone.

1 Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!
2 Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts! 3 Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars!
4 Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! 5 Let them praise the name of the Lord! For he commanded and they were created.
6 And he established them forever and ever; he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away. 7 Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps,

8 fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy wind fulfilling his word! 9 Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! 10 Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds! 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! 12 Young men and maidens together, old men and children! 13 Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his majesty is above earth and heaven. 14 He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his saints, for the people of Israel who are near to him. Praise the Lord!

# **Songs of Adoration**

These songs of adoration expresses our awe at God's love, power, and goodness.

### Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

### All Creatures Of Our God and King

1

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou, burning sun with golden beam
Thou, silver moon with softer gleam
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

2

Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son
And praise the Spirit, Three-in-One
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

3

All the redeemed washed by His blood
Come and rejoice in His great love
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Christ has defeated every sin
Cast all your burdens now on Him
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

4

He shall return in pow'r to reign Heaven and earth will join to say O praise Him! Alleluia! Then who shall fall on bended knee? All creatures of our God and King O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## **Words of Confession**

Confession means we are completely honest with God and others about our flaws and failures. Instead of hiding in shame or self-defensiveness, we admit our sin, and open ourselves to God's mercy available through Christ alone.

### Isaiah 55:6-7; Joel 2:12-13

**Isaiah 55:6-7.** Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon."

Joel 2:12-13. "Yet even now," declares the LORD, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments." Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.

## Song of Confession and Praise - "And Can it Be?"

1

And can it be that I should gain / An interest in the Savior's blood? Died He for me who caused His pain? / For me who Him to death pursued? Amazing love! How can it be / That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me? Amazing love! How can it be / That Thou my God shouldst die for me?

2

He left His Father's throne above, / So free, so infinite His grace! Humbled Himself in matchless love / And bled for Adam's helpless race! 'Tis mercy all, immense and free! / For O my God, it found out me. 'Tis mercy all, immense and free! / For O my God, it found out me!

3

Long my imprisoned spirit lay / Fast bound in sin and nature's night. Thine eye diffused a quickening ray; / I woke— the dungeon flamed with light! My chains fell off; my heart was free. / I rose, went forth, and followed Thee. My chains fell off; my heart was free. / I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

4

No condemnation now I dread; / Jesus and all in Him is mine! Alive in Him, my living Head, / And clothed in righteousness divine, Bold I approach the eternal throne /And claim the crown through Christ my own. Bold I approach the eternal throne /And claim the crown through Christ my own.

## The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper proclaims the good news of Jesus in a way that engages our senses. It reminds us that just as our bodies need food and drink to live, our souls need Christ and his saving work for eternal life. The bread and the cup do not contain power or grace in themselves; rather, the power and grace are found in Christ, who is spiritually present with us as we partake by faith. Instituted by Jesus, the Lord's Supper is a means of grace that invigorates our faith, calls us to remember his once-for-all sacrifice, and anticipates the future feast we will enjoy with him when he returns.

#### 1 Corinthians 11:23-29

For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself.

### **Teen Choir**

1

Rejoice in the Lord now and always
Sing it again, we rejoice
Delight in the love He has shown us
Gratefully lift up your voice
His gentleness among us
Will join our hearts with praise
We gather in His goodness
A family of grace

#### Chorus

With each breath He has given
Praise the Lord
In these times we live in
We will praise the Lord
Throughout every season, I am sure
We have every reason
To praise the Lord

2

Rejoice and be anxious for nothing
Prayin' for all that you need
Come with a song of thanksgiving
Lay your requests at His feet
His peace will fall upon us
To guard our hearts and minds
In Christ who reigns eternal
The Shepherd of our lives

3

Rejoice in the Lord now and always
Tell of the good He has done
Worship the Lord to remember
All of the joy yet to come
The hope that burns within us
The dark cannot destroy
With praise that's never ending
We say again, rejoice

## **Words of Assurance**

#### Matthew 11:28-30

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

# Song of Assurance - "Jesus Strong and Kind"

1

Jesus said that if I thirst / I should come to him No one else can satisfy / I should come to him

2

Jesus said If I am weak / I should come to him No one else can be my strength / I should come to him

Chorus

For the Lord is good and faithful / He will keep us day and night We can always run to Jesus / Jesus, strong and kind

3

Jesus said That if I fear / I should come to him No one else can be my shield / I should come to him

Chorus

4

Jesus said if I am lost / He will come to me And he showed me on that cross / He will come to me

Chorus (Repeat)

## Song of Preparation - "Speak O Lord"

The song of preparation helps center our hearts and minds on God's Word, reminding us to receive his truth with humility and faith, so that we may respond in obedience and worship.

1

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You / To receive the food of Your holy Word
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us / Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today / In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us / All Your purposes for Your glory

2

Teach us, Lord, full obedience / Holy reverence, true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes / In the radiance of Your purity
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see / Your majestic love and authority
Words of pow'r that can never fail / Let their truth prevail over unbelief

3

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds / Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us Truths unchanged from the dawn of time / That will echo down through eternity And by grace, we'll stand on Your promises / And by faith, we'll walk as You walk with us Speak, O Lord, 'til Your church is built / And the earth is filled with Your glory.

## **Prayer**

Prayer is talking to God—declaring our desire for his glory, confessing our sins, thanking him for his boundless grace, and bringing to him our concerns for ourselves, others, the church, and the world. Scripture teaches us to make "supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings ... for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way" (1 Timothy 2:1-2).

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## **Scripture Reading**

### Ephesians 5:8-21

8 For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light 9 (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), 10 and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. 11 Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. 12 For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. 13 But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, 14 for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

"Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

15 Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, 16 making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. 17 Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. 18 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, 19 addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, 20 giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, 21 submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

# **Sermon: The Spirit-Filled Life**

### Ephesians 5:18

The command, "Be filled with the Spirit" may be the most concise exhortation for living the Christian life. But what does it mean? The importance of this command will be lost on us unless we understand **I.** Who the Holy Spirit is, **II.** What it means for him to fill us, and **III.** How we can be filled with him.

#### I. Who is the Holy Spirit?

The Holy Spirit is God, worthy of worship and adoration with the Father and the Son. He breathes life into what has been ruined by sin, and brings believers to share in the love of the Father and Son (Genesis 1:2; Ezekiel 36:26-27; John 6:63; John 14:16-17, 26; Galatians 4:6; 2 Corinthians 13:14).

#### II. What does it mean for him to fill us?

When the Holy Spirit fills someone, it means that the Spirit's words and desires shape every aspect of that person's life.

#### III. How can we be filled with him?

- A. Realize that he is within you (Eph. 3:16, 1 Cor. 6:19)
- B. Realize that he is among us (Eph. 2:18, 22; 4:3, 4; Acts 5:3-4)
- C. Stop grieving him (Eph. 4:30)
- D. Know his Word (Eph. 6:17; Colossians 3:16)
- E. Heed his voice (Eph. 1:17; 3:5)
- F. Pray (Eph. 6:18)

A recording of this sermon will be found at youtube.com/TrinityBaptistChurchMedia or on Spotify (access via tbcnh.org)

## Song of Response - "Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God"

1

Holy Spirit, living breath of God, / Breathe new life into my willing soul. Let the presence of the risen Lord, / Come renew my heart and make me whole. Cause Your Word to come alive in me; / Give me faith for what I cannot see, Give me passion for Your purity; / Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

2

Holy Spirit, come abide within, / May Your joy be seen in all I do.
Love enough to cover every sin, / In each thought and deed and attitude.
Kindness to the greatest and the least, / Gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my strivings into works of grace; / Breath of God show Christ in all I do.

3

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth, / Giving life to all that God has made, Show Your power once again on earth, / Cause Your church to hunger for your ways. Let the fragrance of our prayers arise; / Lead us on the road of sacrifice, That in unity the face of Christ / May be clear for all the world to see.

## **Benediction**

The benediction declares the reality of God's favor and presence with us as we prepare to leave.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

2 Corinthians 13:14

## **Questions for Discussion and Application**

#### For Kids

- 1. Who is the Holy Spirit, and what does he do in a believer's life?
- 2. What does it mean to be "filled with the Spirit" in your everyday life—at school or with your friends?
- 3. What are some things that "grieve" the Holy Spirit? How can we avoid them?
- 4. How can reading the Bible help us listen to the Holy Spirit better?
- 5. How does the Holy Spirit help us to pray?

#### **For Adults**

- 1. Who is the Holy Spirit? What are some common wrong ideas people have about the Holy Spirit? What passages in the Bible would you turn to in order to explain who the Holy Spirit is?
- 2. Why is it important to realize that the Holy Spirit is a person (that is, a being with independent will, emotions, and intelligence) and not just a force or influence?
- 3. What does it mean to "be filled with the Spirit"?
- 4. What is one practical step you can take this week to increase your awareness of the Holy Spirit's presence in your life?
- 5. What are some common ways Christians tend to grieve the Holy Spirit?
- 6. Why is it important to learn the Word of God in order to be filled with the Spirit?
- 7. How can you distinguish between a mere hunch or intuition and the voice of the Spirit in your life?
- 8. In Ephesians, the last mention of the Holy Spirit refers to "praying in the Spirit" (6:18). In view of who the Spirit is and what he does, what does praying have to do with the Spirit? (See Galatians 4:6; Romans 8:26-27.)
- 9. The Spirit indwells not just individuals but also the church. How should the Spirit's presence among believers affect what you say and do? (See Ephesians 4:3, 30.)

<b>Upcoming Events</b>	<b>Gathering Times</b>
3/19   Women's Book Study (Kim) 3/20   Senior Saints Bible Study 3/21   Women's Bible Study (Christa) 3/21-22   Men's Retreat 3/26   Matt Marshall Ministry	Sunday Prayer Meeting
Presentation 4/2   Women's Book Study (Kim) 4/3   Senior Saints Bible Study 4/4   Women's Book Study (Christa) 4/5   Sportsmen's Banquet Event 4/12   Women's Conference	Wednesday GriefShare
<b>4/16</b> No Midweek  For more upcoming events, please visit tbcnh.org/event-calendar	Thursday Freedom That Lasts
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	Age Group       Room         18-29       219         30S       218         40S       217         50S       214
Kids & Teens Sunday Classes	60-65
Preschool - Room 110 4-5 years - Room 115 1st-2nd Grade - Room 117 3rd-4th Grade - Room 119 5th-6th Grade - Room 118 Teens - Teen Room	66-69

Weekly Giving Update: Weekly Budget:\$21,800 Last Week's Giving:\$23,936.57

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