



Praise to the Lord

CW 234 and Psalm 103

**SING: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation
O my soul praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear Now to his temple draw near, Joining in glad adoration!**

P: Praise the Lord, O my soul;

C: All my inmost being, praise his holy name.

P: Praise the Lord, O my soul;

C: And forget not all his benefits.

P: He forgives all my sins and heals all my diseases;

C: He redeems my life from the pit and crowns me with love and compassion.

**Praise to the Lord, who o’er all things is wondrously reigning
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen All this is needful has been
Sent by his gracious ordaining?**

P: He does not treat us as our sins deserve,

C: Or repay us according to our iniquities.

P: For as high as the east is from the west,

C: So far has he removed our transgressions from us.

SR. CHOIR: Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew What the Almighty can do As with his love he befriends you.

P: The Lord has established his throne in heaven.

C: And his kingdom rules over all.

P: Praise the Lord, all his works everywhere in his dominion.

C: Praise the Lord, O my soul.

**SING: Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen Sound from his people again; Gladly forever adore him!**

The Prayer of the Day

P: Almighty God, the Father of our Savior Jesus Christ, move us by the working of your Holy Spirit to recognize the abundance of your unceasing blessings, that we may give you true thanks and serve you in faithful obedience, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen. Thanks be to God!

Always Enough for Our Bodies - 1 Kings 17:8-16

⁸ Then the word of the Lord came to him: ⁹ "Go at once to Zarephath in the region of Sidon and stay there. I have directed a widow there to supply you with food." ¹⁰ So he went to Zarephath. When he came to the town gate, a widow was there gathering sticks. He called to her and asked, "Would you bring me a little water in a jar so I may have a drink?" ¹¹ As she was going to get it, he called, "And bring me, please, a piece of bread."

¹² "As surely as the Lord your God lives," she replied, "I don't have any bread—only a handful of flour in a jar and a little olive oil in a jug. I am gathering a few sticks to take home and make a meal for myself and my son, that we may eat it—and die."

¹³ Elijah said to her, "Don't be afraid. Go home and do as you have said. But first make a small loaf of bread for me from what you have and bring it to me, and then make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴ For this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says: 'The jar of flour will not be used up and the jug of oil will not run dry until the day the Lord sends rain on the land.'"

¹⁵ She went away and did as Elijah had told her. So there was food every day for Elijah and for the woman and her family. ¹⁶ For the jar of flour was not used up and the jug of oil did not run dry, in keeping with the word of the Lord spoken by Elijah.

Thanksgiving Confession of Faith

P: To God our Father – who created us and everything that exists; who has given us our bodies and souls with all their gifts and powers who provides us with food and clothing, home and family, occupation and recreation; who guards and protects us from harm and danger, and against all evil – thanks be to God!

**SING: We worship you, God of our fathers; we bless you.
 Through trial and tempest our guide you have been;
 When perils o’ertake us, you will not forsake us,
 And with your hope, O Lord, our battles we win.**

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P: To Jesus Christ our Lord – conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary; who redeemed us at the great cost of his holy precious blood and his innocent sufferings and death; who lives and reigns eternally – thanks be to God!

**SING: Christ Jesus, our Savior, in faith we draw near you,
 Your life you laid down, all our sins to forgive.
 We thank you, we bless you; as Lord we confess you;
 And as your grateful children, for you, Lord, we live.**

P: To the Holy Spirit – who calls us by the Gospel, enlightens us with great gifts, unites us in the holy Christian Church, and sanctifies and keeps us in the true faith until the day when all who trust in Jesus Christ will be raised beyond death to share eternal life – thanks be to God!

**SING: With voices united our praises we offer;
 To you, great Jehovah, glad anthems we raise.
 Your strong arm will guide us; our God is beside us.
 To you, our great Redeemer, fore’er be praise!**

Always Enough for Our Souls - Philippians 4:8-9

⁸ Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. ⁹ Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

Musical Selection ~ COR Choir

“Give Thanks”

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Offering and Prayers

Hymn - "For the Fruit of His Creation"

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Children's Lesson

Thanksgiving Responsive Prayer

P: Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

C: I will give thanks to the LORD because of his righteousness and will sing praise to the name of the LORD Most High.

P: We are also thankful today because God is our strength and shield.

C: The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and I am helped. My heart leaps for joy and I will give thanks to him in song.

P: Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.

C: Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sign psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.

P: And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him .

C: Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for his is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

P: All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, saying: "Amen!"

C: "Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!"

ALL: Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Benediction

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Closing Hymn - "Now Thank We All Our God"

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