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## Worship

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***“Bless the Lord, O My Soul”***

**Thanksgiving Service**

\*Audience Standing

**Words of Welcome and Call to Worship**

**\*Thanksgiving to God**

- (Leader) Give thanks to the Lord, invoke his name; make known among the nations his deeds,  
Sing to him, sing his praise, proclaim all his wondrous deeds.  
Glory in his holy name; rejoice, O hearts that seek the Lord!
- (People) **Recall the wondrous deeds that he has wrought,  
his portents, and the judgments he has uttered,  
You descendants of Israel, his servants,  
sons of Jacob, his chosen ones!**
- (Leader) Sing to the Lord, all the earth, announce his salvation, day after day.  
Tell his glory among the nations; among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.  
For great is the Lord and highly to be praised; and awesome is he, beyond all gods.  
For all the gods of the nations are things of nought, but the Lord made the heavens.
- (People) **Splendor and majesty go before him; praise and joy are in his holy place.**
- (Leader) Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice; let them say among the nations:
- (People) **The Lord is king.**
- (Leader) Let the sea and what fills it resound; let the plains rejoice and all that is in them!
- (People) **Then shall all the trees of the forest exult before the Lord, for he comes;  
he comes to rule the earth.**
- (Leader) Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his kindness endures forever;  
And say,
- (People) **Then shall all the trees of the forest exult before the Lord, for he comes;  
he comes to rule the earth.**
- (Leader) Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his kindness endures forever;  
And say,
- (People) **“Save us, O God, our savior, gather us and deliver us from the nations,  
That we may give thanks to your holy name and glory in praising you.”**
- (Leader) Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, through all eternity!

*(Portions of 1 Chronicles 16:8–36)*

### Prayer Hymn

"Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"

## I. Bless the Lord, O My Soul— "Who Crowns You with Steadfast Love and Mercy"

### Scripture Reading

*"Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.  
Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits—  
who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,  
who redeems your life from the Pit,  
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,  
who satisfies you with good as long as you live  
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle."  
(Psalm 103:1–5 NRSV)*

### Reflection:

"Who Crowns You with Steadfast Love and Mercy"

### Hymns

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"  
"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

## II. Bless the Lord, O My Soul— "The Lord is Merciful and Gracious"

### Scripture Reading

*"The Lord works vindication and justice for all who are oppressed. He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel. The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always accuse, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our iniquities. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him. For he knows how we were made; he remembers that we are dust."  
(Psalm 103:6–14, NRSV)*

**Reflection: "The Lord is Merciful and Gracious"**

### Observance of the Lord's Supper

### \*Prayer of Thanksgiving

### \*Closing Hymn

"There is a Place of Quiet Rest"