



HOME LITURGY // AUGUST 30th

Call to Worship:

Psalm 113:1–6

- [1] Praise the LORD!
Praise, O servants of the LORD,
praise the name of the LORD!*
- [2] Blessed be the name of the LORD
from this time forth and forevermore!*
- [3] From the rising of the sun to its setting,
the name of the LORD is to be praised!*
- [4] The LORD is high above all nations,
and his glory above the heavens!*
- [5] Who is like the LORD our God,
who is seated on high,
[6] who looks far down
on the heavens and the earth? (ESV)*

All Songs can be accessed on this [YOUTUBE playlist \(w/ Lyrics\)](#)

Song: Only A Holy God

Confession of Sin

In confession, we unburden the weight of our sins to God in prayer with confidence that he will forgive us in Christ. Pray this prayer of confession:

*Lord, you should us true humility by becoming one of us
Yet too often we practice pride*

*You cried alongside your friends and for the city of Jerusalem
Yet too often we rush past the pain of others and are careless about our cities*

*You loved those who were weak, despised, or cast out
Yet too often we love those who are strong, respected, or popular*

*You freely forgave and healed
Yet too often we hold grudges and cause pain*

*You lived a perfectly holy life
Yet too often we do not yearn for righteousness*

*You prayed that we who believe in you should be united with each other and you
Yet too often we focus on the differences that separate us from other believers*

*You were mocked, whipped, and even killed for us
Yet too often we deny you*

*You call us to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world
Yet too often we blend into or hide from our culture
Forgive us, Lord, so that we will shine with your glory, Amen.*

In addition to the above prayer, spend some time confessing specific sins in private prayer.

Assurance of Pardon

Those who believe the gospel are freed from the guilt burden of sin. Hear and believe this assurance of pardon from Titus 2:11–14

*[11] For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, [12] training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, [13] waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, [14] who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.
(ESV)*

Missional Prayer

Pray for God's Kingdom to come and his will to be done on earth as it is in heaven (Matthew 6:10).

- **Pray for the Kids of Seven Mile Road - Waltham:** This is a difficult season for kids with so much change and disruption- school, church, time with friends, summertime, etc. All of these things look drastically different. It can be challenging for kids to comprehend and process all that is taking place. Pray for our kids to have the peace that surpasses understanding that comes from knowing and trusting Jesus.

Teaching Video

Read the scripture passage then watch the Teaching video on John 18:1-40 // from Pastor Kevin on [VIMEO](#) or [YOUTUBE](#)

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

HEAD: Questions aimed at our minds to help us *understand* God's word.

- Why do Jesus' captors fall back at his response to them in verse 6? How is Jesus' response significant in light of what we have seen already in John's Gospel?
- In verse 11, what does Jesus mean when he says, "Shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me?" (see Psalm 75:8, Isaiah 51:17, and Jeremiah 25:15–17.)
- What does it mean that Jesus' death is substitutionary? See verse 14 (A reference to 11:50) and 1 Peter 2:24.

HEART: Questions aimed at our affections to help us *love* God

- Peter's violent response in verse 10 shows that he still doesn't understand the mission of Jesus. What does he misunderstand? In what ways are you like Peter here?

- Note all of the differences between Jesus' response to his arrest and trial and Peter's response. What does this tell us about the work that Jesus came to accomplish?
- How does this encourage you as you consider the ways you, like Peter, fall short of God's standard of righteousness?

HANDS: Questions aimed at our hands to help us *live for* God (Personally, Communally, and Missionally).

- The primary application of this passage is to see and believe Christ; his innocent, wrath-bearing, substitutionary death for us. Do you believe? Spend some time praising and thanking him for his work.
- In what ways are you tempted to think that Jesus' kingdom is of this world? What are some practical ways you can cultivate a mindset of Jesus' heavenly kingdom as you live your life?
- Read verse 38. Pilate reflects a belief that is common in our day as well - ultimate truth is relative or, at least, it cannot be discovered. What is the biblical response to this idea?

Song: Though You Slay Me

Song: Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

Song of Benediction: Now To Him