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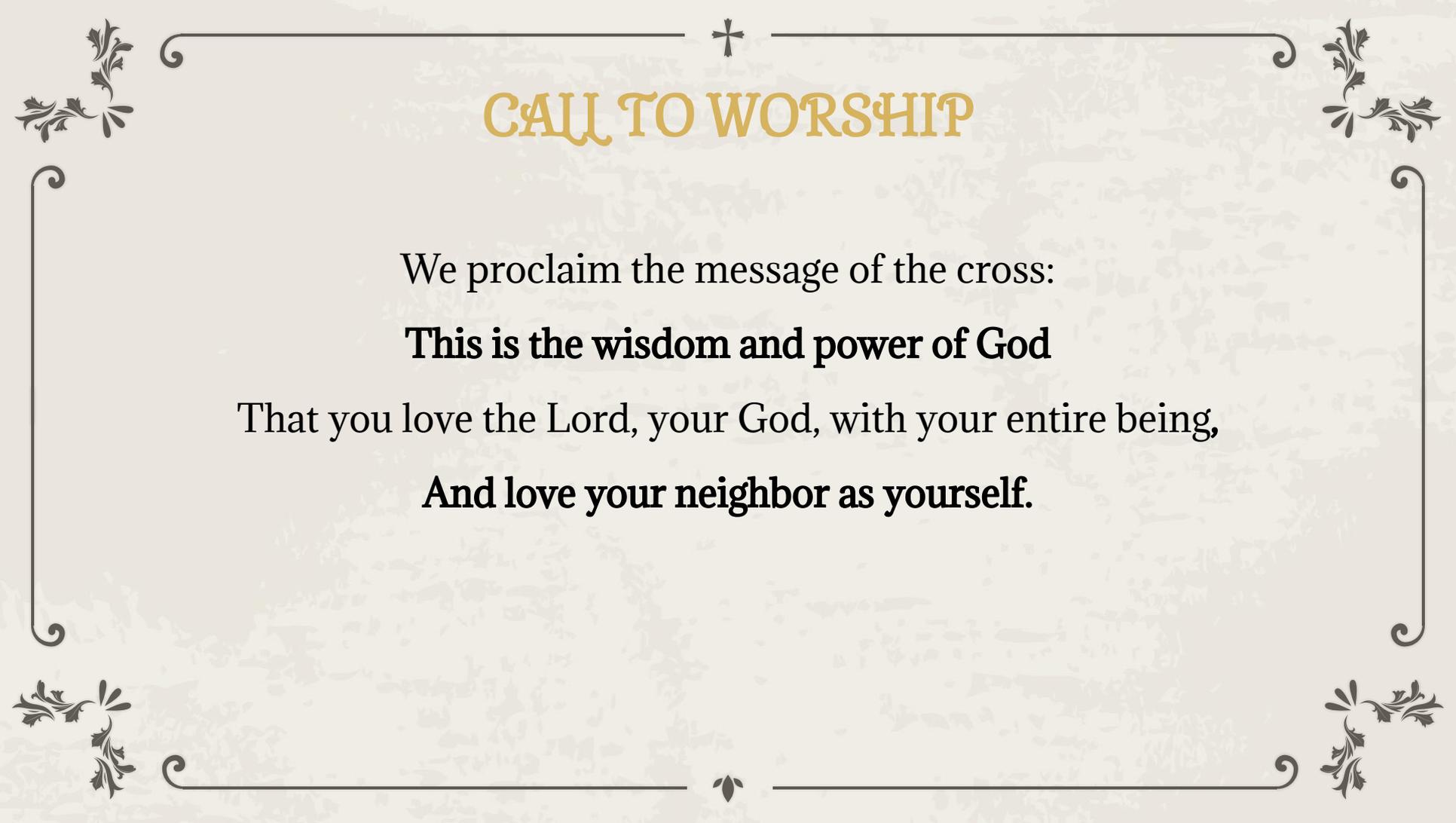
# ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Almighty God, unto whom all hearts and minds are open,  
strengthen us by your Spirit and help us recognize that you  
have empowered us through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives  
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God  
now and forever, to answer and follow your call. Amen.**

## **OPENING PRAYER**





# CALL TO WORSHIP

We proclaim the message of the cross:

**This is the wisdom and power of God**

That you love the Lord, your God, with your entire being,

**And love your neighbor as yourself.**

English Christian Song

**I Will Make You  
Fishers Of Men**

[thegodsmusic.com](http://thegodsmusic.com)

OPENING HYMN  
(BULLETIN INSERT)

I Will Make You Fishers of Men



# RESPONSIVE READING: ISAIAH 1:9-4



Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear.

**Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required.**

Then I said, "Here I am in the scroll of the book it is written of me. I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."

**I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; see, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O LORD.**

I have not hidden your saving help within my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.

**Do not, O LORD, withhold your mercy from me; let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe forever.**





## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by  
the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius  
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from  
the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection  
of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.**





# RESPONSIVE READING OF PSALM 27: 1-9

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

**One thing I asked of the Lord that I will seek after: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.**

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under cover of his tent and set me high on a rock.

**Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord.**

Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me! "Come," my heart says, "seek his face!" Your face, Lord, do I seek.

**Do not hide your face from me. Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off, do not forsake me, O God of my salvation!**





Let us humble ourselves before God and pray,  
confessing our sins and asking for forgiveness.

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

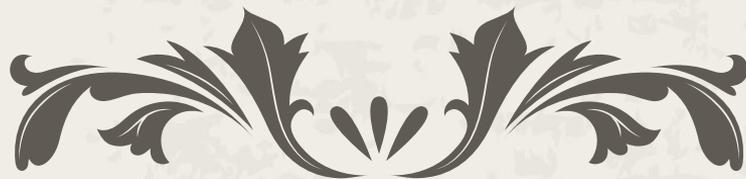




**God grant me the grace to accept with serenity the things that cannot be changed. Courage to change the things which should be changed, and the wisdom to distinguish the one from the other. Please forgive my transgressions and keep me from evil. In Jesus' mighty name, I pray. Amen.**

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**





The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. The Lord is not willing that any should perish, but all should come to repentance. In the mighty name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I declare that if you have earnestly confessed your sin and repented, you are forgiven.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**





PASSING  
THE  
PEACE



PRAYER FOR  
ILLUMINATION



## MATTHEW 4: 18-20

As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Simon called Peter, and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. “Come, follow Me,” Jesus said, “and I will make you fishers of men.” And at once, they left their nets and followed Him.





# MORNING MEDITATION





# SILENT MEDITATION





CALL TO  
DISCIPLESHIP



PRAYERS OF  
THE PEOPLE



Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. Lead us away from temptation and deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

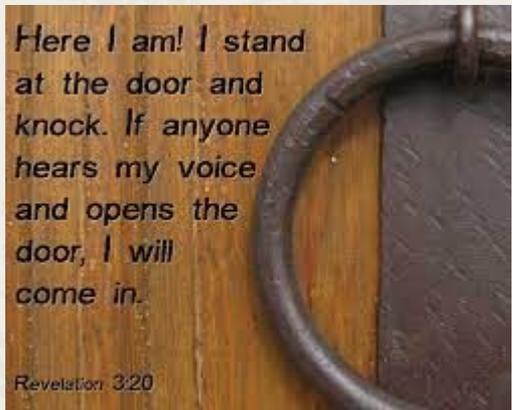
**THE LORD'S PRAYER**





Here I am! I stand  
at the door and  
knock. If anyone  
hears my voice  
and opens the  
door, I will  
come in.

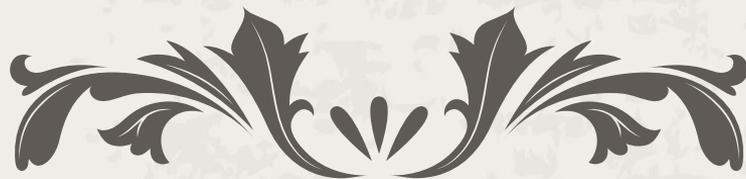
Revelation 3:20



# CLOSING HYMN (GTG #728)

Somebody's Knocking at Your Door





Having feasted on the word of God, let us depart this fellowship to serve the Lord with gladness. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, let us seek to love God above all else and glorify God by fulfilling the commandment to love our neighbors as ourselves.

**BENEDICTION**





# CONG. RESPONSE (GTG) # 601

*Amen*



# POSTLUDE

Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing

S. Mariner