



CHURCH @ HOME SERVICE ORDER

Sunday, 22 March 2026

Fifth Sunday in Lent



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Almighty God,
look in mercy on your family.
By your great goodness, guide and protect us forever
in body and soul. We ask this through your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

*The Lord says: I am going to open your graves,
and bring you up from your graves, O my people.
And you shall know that I am the Lord when I open your graves,
and bring you up from your graves, O my people.*
(Ezek 37:12,13)

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

WAY MAKER

You are here moving in our midst
I worship You I worship You
You are here working in this place
I worship You I worship You

(You are) Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,
Light in the darkness - my God that is who You are.

You are here touching ev'ry heart
I worship You I worship You

**You are here healing ev'ry heart
I worship You I worship You**

**(You are) Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,
Light in the darkness - my God that is who You are.**

**You are here turning lives around
I worship You, I worship You.
You are here mending ev'ry heart
I worship You, yeah, I worship You Lord.**

**(You are) Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,
Light in the darkness - my God that is who You are.**

**That is who You are
That is who You are
That is who You are
That is who You are**

**(You are) Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,
Light in the darkness - my God that is who You are.**

**Even when I don't see it, You're working.
Even when I don't feel it, You're working.
You never stop, You never stop working.
You never stop, You never stop working.**

Osinachi Kalu Okoro Egbu

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray that that we remain united with Christ.

[silence]

**Jesus our Saviour,
thank you for coming to give us life
through your suffering and death.
Keep us following you wherever you lead us,
because we know that you have promised
to take us home to God.
For you live and reign
with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.**

Amen.

BIBLE READING

Psalm 105:17-22: The Lord sent Joseph

God made the people in the land go hungry. He destroyed all their food supplies. He sent a man ahead of them into Egypt. That man was Joseph. He had been sold as a slave. The Egyptians put his feet in chains. They put an iron collar around his neck. He was in prison until what he said would happen came true. The word of the Lord proved that he was right. The king of Egypt sent for Joseph and let him out of prison. The ruler of many nations set him free. He put Joseph in charge of his palace. He made him ruler over everything he owned. Joseph was in charge of teaching the princes. He taught the elders how to think and live wisely..

After the reading

This is the Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God.

Romans 8:28-30: God Work's in all things

We know that God is always at work for the good of everyone who loves him. They are the ones God has chosen for his purpose, and he has always known who his chosen ones would be. He had decided to let them become like his own Son, so his Son would be the first of many children. God then accepted the people he had already decided to choose, and he has shared his glory with them.

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APOSTLE'S 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. He descended into hell.**

**The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven,
and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty,
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

GOOD DAY

**I'm 'bout to have a good day (good day)
No matter what they say (what they say)
Sun is shining down on me
Birds are singing praise
I'm 'bout to have a good day (good day)
In every single way
The God who made the universe
Knows me by my name
So it's a good day**

**Baby, in my arms walking through the neighborhood
Living in the present, not woulda shoulda or coulda
I remember back when I was low as a rug
Now I'm standing up look at what my father does**

**Turning old things new
Grey skies blue
Hear the church saying, "Won't He do it?"
I know He's got my back
That's why I'm singing that**

**I'm 'bout to have a good day (good day)
No matter what they say (what they say)
Sun is shining down on me
Birds are singing praise
I'm 'bout to have a good day (good day)
In every single way
The God who made the universe
Knows me by my name
So it's a good day (yeah)**

**It's a good day, mmm no, it's great
Everything I prayed for didn't come in late
I got all I need and I didn't have to wait
Ask me if you love me, you didn't hesitate**

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It's a good day
(Good day)
It's a good day
It's a good day

Frank Forrest

MESSAGE

At this point you may wish to watch the Sermon.
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For LCA Worship Resources ([click here](#))

CONFESSION OF SINS

*Let us draw near to God our Father with a true heart to confess our sins,
and ask Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.*

**Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor helpless sinner, confess to You all my sins,
and repent of all the evil I have done. I have deeply displeased You and deserve Your
punishment in time and in eternity. But I am sorry for my sins, and I ask You, for the
sake of the holy innocent sufferings and death of Your dear Son Jesus Christ, to be
gracious and merciful to me. Amen.**

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us, and has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He has given the right to become children of God, and has given them His Holy Spirit. Whoever believes and is baptised will be saved. Grant this, Lord, to us all. Amen.

Peace be with you. Amen

HERE I AM TO WORSHIP

**Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made
This heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You**

**So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me**

**King of all days
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor**

**So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me**

**And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
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To see my sin upon that cross**

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Tim Hughes

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OFFERING PRAYER

Thank you, loving God,
for sending your Son as our Saviour.
Help us to trust in him
and follow wherever you lead us,
serving you and our fellow human beings
with all that we have.
Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

We were dead in our sins, but the word of God entered into our tomb and called us out into new life. Let us pray to the Father, knowing that he listens to us.

Heavenly Father, we thank and praise you for the resurrection life which is your gift to us through your Son, Jesus Christ. May we live in the reality of Jesus' resurrection, and in the confidence that we will one day follow in his footsteps.

Lord, in your mercy... **hear our prayer.**

As we move close to Easter, help us to live as Easter people who face death in the certain hope of resurrection. Remind us and comfort us everyday with your promise that we will be raised up together with all who have died in the faith of Christ.

Lord, in your mercy... **hear our prayer.**

Bless our congregation. Teach us how to gather around your word, and to care and pray for one another. Grow stronger our identity as members of the Body of Christ, and teach us to trust ever more in Jesus, our Lord, Saviour and Healer.

Lord, in your mercy... **hear our prayer.**

Bring peace to places where chaos reigns. Bring an end to the ongoing conflict across the world. Give hope to people who are recovering from natural disasters.

Lord, in your mercy... **hear our prayer.**

May our spirits be deeply moved by the suffering of all especially those who don't have food or shelter. Enable us to be life-givers to these people, and to share out of our abundance.

Lord, in your mercy... **hear our prayer.**

Bring healing in the name of Jesus to those who are sick, facing or recovering from surgery, including those we now name before you. Bring comfort to those who grieve, and true and living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Lord, in your mercy... **hear our prayer.**

We pray for God's guidance and blessings for all members and friends of our congregation. Today we pray for Pat; Jan; Evelyn; Rosi; Viv & Beth. Please keep them strong in faith, active in love, and hopeful in all things.

Lord, in your mercy... **hear our prayer.**

Bless the families, students, and staff at all our Grace Places. Today we pray especially for GLPS Students Brooklyn in Prep; Bridie & Amelia in Year 1; Mazie & Harvey in Year 2; Remi & Rose in Year 3; Fletcher, Charlie & Kolby in Year 4; Brooke in Year 5; Jack, Erin & Annie in Year 6; and staff members Melissa J & Kasey D. Please provide for all their needs and guide them into your truth and love.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, through the death and resurrection of your Son, you rescue us from death and the grave. Restore us to life, so that we may serve you in the world; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Father, you justified Abraham because he believed your promise. Grant that all may believe in your Son, Jesus Christ, so that they may not come into judgment, but receive life, forgiveness, and salvation through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come,
Your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours
now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING TO SHARE

May God be with you in every place you go.
May God be with you in every place you go.
May you trust that God can turn hard times into good.
May you trust that God can turn hard times into good.
May God bless you with his peace, care, and love every day.
May God bless you with his peace, care, and love every day. Amen.

CORNERSTONE

My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
but wholly trust in Jesus' name.

My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
but wholly trust in Jesus' name.

Christ alone, cornerstone;
weak made strong in the Saviour's love.
Through the storm He is Lord,
Lord of all.

When darkness seems to hide His face,
I rest on His unchanging grace.

**In every high and stormy gale,
my anchor holds within the veil.**

**Christ alone, cornerstone;
weak made strong in the Saviour's love.
Through the storm He is Lord,
Lord of all.
He is Lord,
Lord of all.**

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