

# LITURGY & SONGS – January 19, 2020

## **Reflection Quote:**

"Only those who try to resist temptation know how strong it is." - CS Lewis

## Call to Worship:

Leader: Our God hears the humble, makes glad the needy, and delivers those who trust in Him. Blessed is the one who takes refuge in God Almighty. Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good. For His nearness is our comfort and His faithfulness our lasting hope. There is no one like our God!

All: Magnify the LORD with me – let us exalt His name together. Glorify the LORD with me! Come declare how His steadfast love endures forever. <Based on Psalm 34>

### Confession of Sin:

Leader: Jesus, I know the greatest commandment is to love the Lord my God with all my heart, with all my soul, and with all my strength. Though I have rehearsed the verse and committed it to memory, the person that still gets the most attention and affection is me. I am an expert at loving myself above all else. Comforts are chased after because I'm deserving. Security is stored up because I'm self-sufficient. These are the justifications of my self-centered actions. You are worthy of my absolute obedience and have beckoned me toward a life that loves upward then outward, yet I squander my days loving one who is lesser... Forgive me God, for the misdirection of my affection.

### Assurance of Pardon:

All: You stood before our failures and carried the cross for our shame. Our sin weighed upon your shoulders, You took on death in our stead. Though our love was misdirected, you pursued a wayward people. We are granted forgiveness because of Your sacrifice. We have an assurance of hope because of Your resurrection. We will strive to love as You loved because You are worthy of our devotion!

### Benediction:

Leader: Beloved, this is the greatest commandment: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. Therefore, increase and abound in love for one another and for all, so that He may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all His saints. Amen.

<Based on Matthew 22:34-40 and 1 Thessalonians 3:12-13>

# SONGS

God With Us How Deep The Father's Love For Us What A Beautiful Name In Christ Alone Praise to the Lord (Joyful, Joyful)