

LITURGY: PSALM 103

(Congregation Standing)

Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless God's Holy name!

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not 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 eagles.

HYMN: How Firm a Foundation (#709, v. 1 & 2)

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord
Is laid for your faith in his excellent word;
What more can he say than to you he has said
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with you; O be not dismayed
For I am your God and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you and cause you to stand
Upheld by my righteous omnipotent hand.

(Congregation Seated)

The Lord works vindication and justice for all who are oppressed. He made known his ways to Moses.

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever.

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who have reverence for him.

For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.

HYMN: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (#474, v. 1 – 3)

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven to earth come down
Fix in us your humble dwelling, all your faithful mercies crown
Jesus, you are all compassion, pure, unbounded love impart
Visit us with your salvation, enter every trembling heart

Breathe, O breathe your loving Spirit into every troubled breast
Let us all in you inherit, let us find the promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all your life receive;
Suddenly return, and never, never more your temple leave.
You we would be always blessing, serve you as your hosts above,
Pray, and praise you without ceasing, glory in your perfect love.

The Lord has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all.
Bless the Lord, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his Word.

Bless the Lord, all his hosts, his ministers that do His will!
Bless the Lord, all his works in all places of his dominion. Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me. Bless his holy name!

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Hymn #550 “To God Be the Glory