# September 14, 2025 Liturgy

#### WELCOME AND PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP - Psalm 63:1-3

God, you are my God.

I seek you with all my heart.

With all my strength I thirst for you in this dry desert where there isn't any water.

I have seen you in the sacred tent. There I have seen your power and your glory.

Your love is better than life.

So I will bring glory to you with my lips.

# Open the Eyes of my Heart

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord; open the eyes of my heart. I want to see you, I want to see you.

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord; open the eyes of my heart. I want to see you, I want to see you.

To see you high and lifted up, shining in the light of your glory. Pour out your power and love, as we sing holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy, holy, holy, holy. I want to see you. X2

## 10,000 Reasons

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship his holy name. Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning; it's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass & whatever lies before me, let me be singing when the evening comes. **Refrain** 

You're rich in love, and you're slow to anger.
Your name is great, and your heart is kind.
For all your goodness, I will keep on singing—
ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. **Refrain** 

And on that day when my strength is failing, the end draws near, and my time has come; still, my soul will sing your praise unending—ten thousand years and then forevermore!

# Refrain (last time – Worship your holy name, Lord I'll worship your holy name)

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 2 (NIV)

Psalm 2

Why do the nations plan evil together? Why do they make useless plans?

The kings of the earth rise up against the LORD.

The rulers of the earth join together against his anointed king.

"Let us break free from their chains," they say.

"Let us throw off their ropes."

The God who sits on his throne in heaven laughs.

When he is angry, he warns them.

When his anger blazes out, he terrifies them. He says to them, "I have placed my king on my holy mountain of Zion."

Kings, be wise! Rulers of the earth, be warned!
Serve the LORD and have respect for him.
Celebrate his rule with trembling.
Obey the son completely, or he will be angry.
Your way of life will lead to your death.
His anger can blaze out at any moment.
Blessed are all those who go to him for safety.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

# Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

Amazing grace— how sweet the sound—
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed! My chains are gone, I've been set free; my God, my Saviour has ransomed me. And like a flood, his mercy rains unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures. **Refrain** 

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

#### CHILDREN BLESSED

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God our Redeemer, you have saved your people through Jesus Christ, your Son. You have delivered your people out of slavery to sin and you have freed us into a new life. Yet, we still wander through the wilderness of our sins. How quickly we forget who you are and the way you've called us to live. We come to you to receive the grace and mercy we desperately need, to honour you as sovereign Lord, and to surrender our lives to you, even as we name our sins to you now in silence.

God of freedom, we acknowledge our sins, those committed in thought, word, and deed. Deep within, we truly want to know freedom from sin's bondage. Deliver us from evil and by your spirit help us live in ways that

radiate your love and righteousness. In Jesus' righteous and awesome name, we have prayed together with thanksgiving. Amen.

SCRIPTURE: Exodus 12:12, 29-42; 14:5-9, 19-31 pp. 52-54

MESSAGE: "Let My People Go"

## For Freedom, Christ Has Set Us Free

"For freedom Christ has set us free!" What joy is ours to claim!

No more enslaved, humanity finds life in Jesus' name.

We try, Lord, to be justified through all the works we do.

Yet you adopt us, saying, "Child, it's Christ who makes you new."

We're clothed in Christ and we belong; now no one waits outside.

In him we find our common song; old ways no more divide.

"It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me."

He died for us, new life to give and new identity.

Now, Spirit-filled, may we be led from ways that would destroy.

May we, your people, turn instead to lives of love and joy.

May we find peace that makes us whole and patience everywhere.

God, give us kindness, self-control,

and hearts and hands that share.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING: Resonate Global Mission – Nehemiah Centre

**BENEDICTION** 

# When Israel Was in Egypt's Land

When Israel was in Egypt's land, let my people go, oppressed so hard they could not stand, let my people go.

Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt's land, tell old Pharaoh: let my people go.

The Lord told Moses what to do, let my people go, to lead the Hebrew children through, let my people go. (Refrain)

As Israel stood by the waterside, let my people go, at God's command it did divide, let my people go. (Refrain)

When they had reached the other shore, let my people go, they let the song of triumph soar, let my people go.

Lord, help us all from bondage flee, let my people go, and let us all in Christ be free, let my people go.