

Song **Over all the earth** MP1101

Blessing

God of power,
may the boldness of your Spirit transform us,
may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us,
may the gifts of your Spirit equip us to serve and
worship you
now and always.

and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy
Spirit be among us and remain with us always.

Amen



Welcome

Opening Prayer

God is spirit.

Let us worship him in spirit and truth.

The Lord is with us.

Let us praise his name together.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people

All: and kindle in us the fire of your love.

All who are led by the spirit of God are children of God
and fellow-heirs with Christ.

All: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people.

Renew the face of your creation, Lord, pouring on us the gifts of
your Spirit,

All: and kindle in us the fire of your love.

For the creation waits with eager longing

For the glorious liberty of the children of God.

**All: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people
and kindle in us the fire of your love.**

Hymn **A 1000** hallelujahs

Theme intro

Bible reading Matthew 25:14-30

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

The children and youth leave for their groups

Bible reading Zephaniah 1:7. 12-end

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Confession

The gospel calls us to turn away from sin
and be faithful to Christ.

As we offer ourselves to him in penitence and faith,
we renew our confidence and trust in his mercy.

Let us return to the Lord our God and say to him:

Father,
we have sinned against heaven and against you.
We are not worthy to be called your children.
We turn to you again.
Have mercy on us,
bring us back to yourself
as those who once were dead
but now have life through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring
us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Affirmation of faith

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in
heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts
through faith, and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Cf Ephesians 3

Song **Great is thy faithfulness** MP200

Talk

Song **Who you say I am**

Prayers ending with 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 for ever.

Amen