

Opening Song:

(vv. 1-2)

SING A NEW SONG

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Refrain



Sing a new song un - to the Lord; let your song be sung from  
moun-tains high. Sing a new song un - to the Lord, sing-ing

Verses



al - le - lu - ia.

1. Shout with glad-ness! Dance for joy!
2. Rise, O chil-dren, from your sleep;
3. Glad my soul for I have seen

1. O come be - fore the Lord. And play for God on
2. your Sav - ior now has come. He has turned your
3. the glo - ry of the Lord. The trum - pet sounds; the

to Refrain

1. glad tam - bou-rines, and let your trum - pet sound.
2. sor - row to joy, and filled your soul with song.
3. dead shall be raised. I know my Sav - ior lives.

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Reading: Colossians 1:3-14

**Reader:** A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Colossians.

We always give thanks to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and the love that you have for all the holy ones because of the hope reserved for you in heaven. Of this you have already heard through the word of truth, the gospel, that has come to you. Just as in the whole world it is bearing fruit and growing, so also among you, from the day you heard it and came to know the grace of God in truth, as you learned it from Epaphras our beloved fellow slave, who is a trustworthy minister of Christ on your behalf and who also told us of your love in the Spirit.

Therefore, from the day we heard this, we do not cease praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding to live in a manner worthy of the Lord, so as to be fully pleasing, in every good work bearing fruit and growing in the knowledge of God, strengthened with every power, in accord with his glorious might, for all endurance and patience, with joy giving thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light. He delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial: Psalm 96:1-2A, 2B-3, 7-8A, 10**

- All:** Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations!
- Men:** Sing to the LORD a new song;  
sing to the LORD, all you lands.  
Sing to the LORD; bless his name
- All:** Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations!
- Women:** Announce his salvation, day after day.  
Tell his glory among the nations;  
among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.
- All:** Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations!
- Men:** Give to the LORD, you families of nations,  
give to the LORD glory and praise;  
give to the LORD the glory due his name!
- All:** Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations!
- Women:** Say among the nations: The LORD is king.  
He has made the world firm, not to be moved;  
he governs the peoples with equity.
- All:** Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations!



**Intercessions:**

- Leader:** Let us celebrate the kindness and wisdom of Christ. He offers his love and understanding to all, especially to the suffering. Let us earnestly pray to him:
- Leader:** This morning we recall your resurrection,
- All:** and we long for the benefits of your redemption.
- Leader:** Grant that we bear witness to you today, Lord,
- All:** and offer an acceptable gift to the Father through you.
- Leader:** Enable us to see your image in all of us,
- All:** and to serve you in each other.
- Leader:** Lord Jesus you are the true vine and we are the braches,
- All:** allow us to remain in you, to bear much fruit, and to give glory to the Father.

**The Lord's Prayer:**

- Leader:** Let us pray with confidence as Christ our Lord has commanded us...

**Concluding Prayer:**

- All:** God our Father, you gave your saints the courage and wisdom of the apostles: may their prayers help us to live holy lives and lead us to heaven, our true home. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

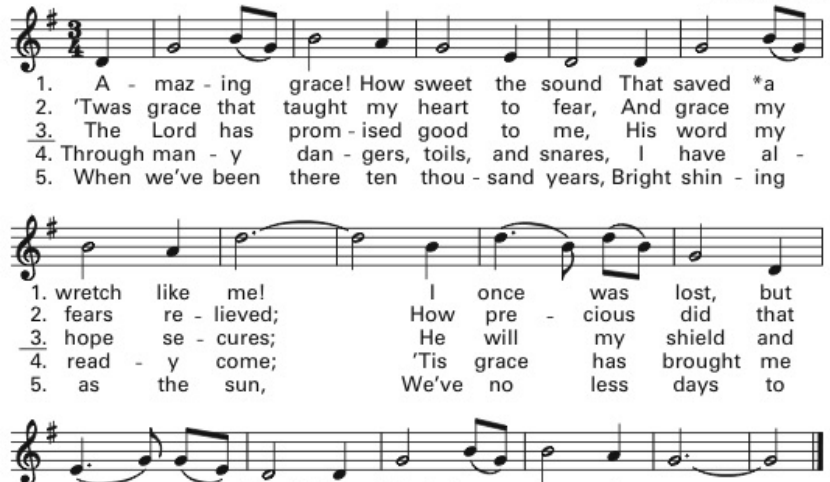
**Closing Song: "Sing a New Song" (v. 3)**

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 Closing Prayer – Barnabas Group

Opening Song:  
 (vv. 1-3)

AMAZING GRACE

NEW BRITAIN



1. A - maz - ing grace! How sweet the sound That saved \*a  
 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my  
 3. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His word my  
 4. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al -  
 5. When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright shin - ing

1. wretch like me! I once was lost, but  
 2. fears re - lieved; How pre - cious did that  
 3. hope se - cures; He will my shield and  
 4. read - y come; 'Tis grace has brought me  
 5. as the sun, We've no less days to

1. now am found, Was blind but now I see.  
 2. grace ap - pear The hour I first be - lieved!  
 3. por - tion be As long as life en - dures.  
 4. safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.  
 5. sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

\*Alternate text: "and set me free!"

Text: CM; verses 1-4, John Newton, 1725-1807; verse 5, anon., fr. *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790.  
 Music: *Columbian Harmony*, 1829.

Call to Prayer:

**Leader:** Take, O Lord, and receive our entire liberty, our memory, our understanding and our whole will. All that we are and all that we possess, you have given us: we surrender it all to you to be disposed according to your will. Give us only your love and your grace; with these we will be rich enough, and will desire nothing more. **All: Amen.**

Reading: *Ephesians 2:1-10*

**Reader:** You were dead in your transgressions and sins in which you once lived following the age of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the desires of our flesh, following the wishes of the flesh and the impulses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like the rest.

But God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ (by grace you have been saved), raised us up with him, and seated us with him in the heavens in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so no one may boast. For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them.

The Word of the Lord **All: Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial: *Psalm 103*

**Men:** Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless his holy name!  
**Women:** Bless the Lord, O my soul; and forget not all his benefits;  
**Men:** Who forgets all our iniquities, who heals all our diseases;  
**Women:** Who redeems our life from destruction, who crowns us with loving kindness and tender mercies.

Concluding Prayer:

**All:** Bless us as we depart, dear Lord we pray. Bless the singing of your praise, the reading of your word, the sharing of our fellowship, the prayers that will be heard. Bless us as we part, dear Lord we pray. Amen.

Final Blessing and Closing Hymn: "Amazing Grace" (vv. 4-5)