

# Pro-Life Sunday Order of Service

**Opening Hymn:** "Praise the Almighty; My Soul Adore Him" [#235 - CW]

## Invocation

P: In the name of the Father,

**C: Who has made us and all people;**

P: And of the Son,

**C: Who lived and died that all people might live;**

P: And of the Holy Spirit,

**C: Who has given us a second birth.**

**Sing:** Thrice holy! Father, Spirit, Son,  
Mysterious Godhead, Three in One,  
Before Thy throne we sinners bend;  
Grace, parson, life, to us extend (#242, v.4 - TLH)

## Confession of Sins

P: When I kept silent, my bones wasted away

**C: Through my groaning all day long.**

P: For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;

**C: My strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.**

P: Then I acknowledged my sin to you

**C: And did not cover up my iniquities.**

P: I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"

**C: And you forgave the guilt of my sin.** (Psalm 32:3-5)

**Sing:** "With Broken Heart and Contrite Sigh" (#303, vs. 1-4 - CW)

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore as a called servant of the Word and by the command of the Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

P: Blessed is he

**C: Whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.** (Psalm 32:1)

**Sing:** "With Broken Heart and Contrite Sigh" (#303, vs. 5 - CW)

**Choir Anthem** (Adults or Children)

## Psalm for the Day

P: O Lord, you have searched me and you know me.

**C: For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb.**

P: I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;

**C: Your works are wonderful, I know that full well.**

P: My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place.

**C: When I was woven together in the depths of the earth, your eyes saw my unformed body.**

P: All the days ordained for me were written in your book.  
**C: Before one of them came to be.** (Psalm 139: 1,13-16)

**Sing:** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and always will be forevermore. Amen.

### **Readings**

**The Old Testament Reading:** Genesis 1:26-31 (Human life is a special gift of God, created in God's image to rule the earth in his stead.)

**The Epistle Reading:** Romans 5:12-19 (In Adam all people have lost the gift of life. In Christ all people have regained life for eternity.)

P: Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things;  
**C: His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.**

P: The Lord has made his salvation known  
**C: And revealed his righteousness to the nations. Alleluia!**

**Sing:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**The Holy Gospel:** John 10:7-16 (Our Savior wants all people to have life to the full, eternal life with him in heaven.)

**Confession of Faith** - The Apostles' Creed

**Hymn:** "Son of God, Eternal Savior" (#492 - CW)

### **Sermon**

**Choir Anthem** (Adults or Children)

### **Offertory and Collection of Offerings**

**Hymn:** "Love in Christ Is Strong and Living" (#490 - CW)

### **Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**

### **Benediction**

**C: Amen. Amen. Amen.**

**Closing Hymn:** "To You, Our God, We Fly" (#620, vs. 1,2,4,9 - CW)