29 November 2026

AM

Building a Disciple-Making Church

First Sunday of Advent

9—10.30am

WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS TO WORSHIP GOD

Prelude

WE PRAISE GOD

Call to Worship

Hymn of Praise & Adoration
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

WE SEEK GOD

Prayer of Confession & Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

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Hope

Hymn of Prayer
Prepare the Way O Zion

Pastoral Prayer

Anthem
Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading
Isaiah 7:13-14

Sermon
Immanuel: God's Answer to Our Fear

Hymn of Response
Joy to the World

WE SERVE GOD IN HIS WORLD

Welcome & Announcements

Offertory

Prayer of Dedication

Doxology

Benediction

Postlude

ORPC
ORCHARD ROAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

First Sunday of Advent: Hope

2026 Advent readings by Sally Powell
from https://www.reformedworship.org/resource/candle-lighting-litanies-advent-and-christmas

Worship Leader

Isaiah 40:1-5
Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her hard service has been completed, that her sin has been paid for, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

A voice of one calling: "In the wilderness prepare the way for the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain. And the glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all people will see it together. For the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Hebrews 1:1-2, 8, 12
In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe. . .

About the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, will last for ever and ever; a scepter of justice will be the scepter of your kingdom. . . You remain the same, and your years will never end."

Congregation

Holy God, on this first Sunday of Advent, we thank You for the unwavering hope we have in Jesus Christ.

Yet, as we hear Your call to prepare His way, we confess our deep sin and our desperate need for a Savior. We acknowledge the rugged, cluttered places of our hearts—our pride, our distractions, and our failures. Forgive us, Lord.

Thank You that through Christ, our sins are paid for and our hope is secure. Anchor our souls in Your grace today. In Jesus' name, Amen.

PM

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SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 7:13-14

13 Then Isaiah said, “Hear now, you house of David! Is it not enough to try the patience
of humans? Will you try the patience of my God also? 14 Therefore the Lord himself will
give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him
Immanuel.

SERMON OUTLINE 29 NOV

Immanuel: God's Answer to Our Fear

Isaiah 7:13-14

What are you afraid of today?

1. The fear and unbelief of a king

2. The grace and promise of God

3. The wonder and significance of the virgin birth

4. The comfort and challenge of Immanuel

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Hymn of Praise & Adoration (AM & PM)

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Latin Hymn translated by John Mason Neale. Plainsong by Thomas Helmore.

Verse 1
O come O come Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear

Refrain
Rejoice, Rejoice
Emmanuel shall come to thee O Israel

Verse 2
O come Thou Dayspring come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine advent here
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night
And death's dark shadows put to flight
(Refrain)

Verse 3
O come Thou Wisdom from on high
And order all things far and nigh
To us the path of knowledge show
And cause us in her ways to go
(Refrain)

Verse 4
O come Desire of nations bind
All peoples in one heart and mind
Bid envy strife and quarrels cease
Fill the whole world with heaven's peace
(Refrain)

Hymn of Prayer (AM)

Prepare the Way O Zion

Words by Mikael Franzen. Then Swenska Psalmboken.

Verse 1
Prepare the way, O Zion
Your Christ is drawing near
Let every hill and valley
A level way appear
Greet One who comes in glory
Foretold in sacred story
O blest is Christ that came
In God's most holy name

Verse 2
He brings God's rule, O Zion
He comes from heaven above
His rule is peace and freedom
And justice, truth and love
Lift high your praise resounding
For grace and joy abounding
O blest is Christ that came
In God's most holy name

Verse 3
Fling wide your gates O Zion
Your Saviour's rule embrace
His tidings of salvation
Proclaim in every place.
All lands will bow before Him
Their voices will adore Him
O blest is Christ that came
In God's most holy name

Anthem (AM)

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Words & Music by Matt Boswell, Matt Papa, Michael Bleecker.

Verse 1
Come behold the wondrous myst'ry
In the dawning of the King
He the theme of heaven's praises
Robed in frail humanity
In our longing in our darkness
Now the light of life has come
Look to Christ who condescended
Took on flesh to ransom us

Verse 2
Come behold the wondrous myst'ry
He the perfect Son of Man
In His living in His suffering
Never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam
Come to save the hell-bound man
Christ the great and sure fulfilment
Of the law in Him we stand

Verse 3
Come behold the wondrous myst'ry
Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners
Hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption
See the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory
Grace unmeasured love untold

Verse 4
Come behold the wondrous myst'ry
Slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain Him
Praise the Lord He is alive
What a foretaste of deliverance
How unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected
As we will be when He comes

Hymn of Response (AM & PM)

Joy to the World

Words by Isaac Watts. Music by George Frederick Handel.

Verse 1
Joy to the world the Lord is come
Let earth receive her King
Let every heart prepare Him room
And heav'n and nature sing
And heav'n and nature sing
And heav'n and heav'n and nature sing

Verse 2
Joy to the earth the Savior reigns
Let men their songs employ
While fields and floods
Rocks hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat repeat the sounding joy

Verse 3
No more let sins and sorrows grow
Nor thorns infest the ground
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found
Far as the curse is found
Far as far as the curse is found

Verse 4
He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love
And wonders of His love
And wonders and wonders of His love

Hymn of Praise & Adoration (PM)

Here I Am to Worship

Words and Music by Tim Hughes.

Verse 1
Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made
This heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

Refrain
So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

Verse 2
King of all days
O so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came to the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor
(Refrain)

Bridge
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
(Refrain)

PREACHING THEMES ▪ SERVICE ROSTER

Sunday Service	**29 Nov** **First Sunday of Advent: Hope**	**6 Dec [Online]** **Second Sunday of Advent: Peace**
Sermon Title	Immanuel: God's Answer to Our Fear	The Prince of Peace
Scripture Reference	Isaiah 7:13-14	Isaiah 9:1-7
Preacher	Pr Kenneth Teo	Rev Dr Clive Chin
Worship Leader	Eld Derrick Lee	Dcn Benjamin Goh
	Eld Lim Ee Tuo	-
Scripture Reader	Kristianne Kuek	Dcn Benjamin Goh
	Charisse Chan	-
Music Director	Dr Agnes Tan	Dr Agnes Tan
Musicians	Audrey Teh	Eunice Tang
	Eunice Tang	-
	Lai Ven Li	-
Ushers Team/	Team A	-
Leaders	Veronica Song	-
	Team D	-
	Ivy Ang	-
Greeters	Rev Dr Clive Chin (Duty Ps)	-
	Dcn Kurniawan Tjandra	-
	Pr Tan Hui Ru (Duty Ps)	-
	Dcn Gabriel Tang	-
AV Duty Roster	Jabez Selvarajan	Elson Chan
	Selvarajan Rengasamy	Susan Tan
	Peter Goh	Dcn Mazmur The
	Rachel Ong	-
	Elson Chan	-
	Jane Tham	-
	Chong Yee Seng	-
	Cecilia Tong	-

Bold Italics - Evening Service

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SoCM CLASS—CREATED IN THE IMAGE OF GOD: HUMAN DIGNITY AND RENEWAL (TODAY)

This class will be conducted by Rev Dr Clive Chin from 11am – 12.30pm in the FES Conference Room. All are welcome. Please see the insert for details.
Venue: FES Conference Room located at 420 North Bridge Centre #05-04, S(188727).

MONTHLY CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER MEETING (2 DEC)

Our next prayer meeting will be on Wed, 2 Dec, 7.30 – 8.30pm, onsite in the Studio (YWCA Outram, L2) and via Zoom simultaneously. The Zoom link will be posted on the WhatsApp broadcast and various ministries' group chats. All are encouraged to attend.

BIRTHDAY MINISTRY (4 DEC)

Owing to the overwhelming response for volunteers for the Birthday Ministry to seniors in PCS Cedar Tree AAC@Bukit Merah on 4 Dec, we have closed the sign-up registration early. Praise the Lord for His provision!

NEXT ONLINE WORSHIP SUNDAY (6 DEC)

We will worship together online at https://orpc.sg/connect/worshipwithus/ on 6 December 2026. There will be no in-person AM and PM worship services because the Suntec halls will not be available. The service on 6 December will be accessible online from 9am. We encourage Discipleship Groups (DGs) to gather to worship together.

PRAY FOR CHRISTMAS EVANGELISTIC SERVICE (25 DEC)

The Christmas Day Service at 10am will be an evangelistic service. Please invite family members and friends, and pray for them, that they may come to know the true meaning of Christmas.

ORPC CHURCH CAMP (10-12 JUNE 2027)

Save the date! ORPC Church Camp returns on 10-12 June 2027, and this time we're going overseas! We'll be at the Westin Desaru Coast Resort (4.5 on Google!), with Rev Dr Leonard Wee as our guest speaker. Expect challenging messages, good food, fun activities and great fellowship as we grow together as one church. More details to come… mark your calendar and watch this space.

A&A PROJECT & PLEDGE FORM

You may view the series of updates on the A&A project via this link https://orpc.sg/aanda/ The pledge form is available as an insert to this bulletin.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS

For details and requirements, please refer to the information on our church website https://orpc.sg/resources/forms/marriages-in-orpc/ Register for the marriage preparation class via http://chms.orpc.org.sg/equipping/registration/165/public
Do also refer to the website of the Registry of Marriages, Singapore, for requirements.

BE PART OF A DISCIPLESHIP GROUP
Our Discipleship Groups (DGs) seek to worship, share life, pray, study God's word and serve Christ together. Come alongside us in our daily growth journey through joining a DG. Have a look here https://orpc.sg/connect/discipleship-groups/ Email discipleshipgroups@orpc.org.sg for information or speak to one of our staff/leaders.

PERSONAL PARTICULARS
If you have changed your personal particulars recently, or you have queries regarding church events/ministries, please email Ping at orpcenglish@orpc.org.sg or contact the church office (Mon-Fri).

PRAYER REQUESTS
Please feel free to approach any of our pastors and leaders if you would like to chat and ask for prayer.

STAFF UPDATE
Pr Tan Hui Ru will be on leave 2 Dec.
Pr Kenneth Teo will be away on reservist training 1 – 3 Dec, Cambodia mission trip 4 – 9 Dec and on leave 10 – 15 Dec.

REGULAR MINISTRY

Children's Ministry	Sundays 9.00-10.30AM 0-6YO @ Room 302, Suntec 7-9YO @ Room 301, Suntec 10-13YO @ Room 300, Suntec Contact Pr Hui Ru (children@orpc.org.sg) for details
Youth Ministry	Sundays 11.00AM-12.30PM Contact Pr Kenneth (youth@orpc.org.sg) for venues
Young Adults Ministry	Odd week Sundays 11.00-12.30PM Contact Pr Hui Ru (yam@orpc.org.sg) for venues
Discipleship Groups	Meetings twice a month. Contact discipleshipgroups@orpc.org.sg for details
Children's Choir Youth Choir	1st, 2nd & 3rd Saturdays 4.30-6.00PM Level 2 Studio, YWCA Outram Contact Dr Agnes (worship@orpc.org.sg) for details
Chancel Choir	Thursdays 7.30-9.30PM Level 2 Studio, YWCA Outram Contact Dr Agnes (worship@orpc.org.sg) for details
Handbells & Orchestra	Contact Dr Agnes (worship@orpc.org.sg) for details
Congregational Prayer Meeting	First Wednesday monthly, 7.30-8.30PM [hybrid]

CHURCH-WIDE EVENTS: NOVEMBER – DECEMBER 2026

Sun 29 Nov	**9am & 5.30pm**	1st Sunday of Advent [Suntec Halls 308-311]
Wed 2 Dec	**7.30pm**	Congregational Prayer Meeting [Online & Studio, YWCA Outram]
Sun 6 Dec	**9am**	**2nd Sunday of Advent** **Worship Service [Online]**
Sun 13 Dec	**9am & 5.30pm**	3rd Sunday of Advent Holy Communion & Membership Sunday [Suntec Halls 308-311]
Sun 20 Dec	**9am & 5.30pm**	A Festival of Lessons & Carols [Suntec Halls 308-311]
Fri 25 Dec	**10am**	Christmas Day Service [Suntec Halls 308-311]
Sun 27 Dec	**9am & 5.30pm**	Sunday Services [Suntec Halls 308-311]

TITHES & OFFERINGS

[This is not a general solicitation of funds from the public.]

FOR CONTRIBUTIONS:

Please indicate the type of Giving, i.e. **"ENGLISH - GENERAL" or "ENGLISH - MISSION"** at the back of Cheque or in "Comments"/ "Reference" box for PayNow/Interbank Transfer

(1) PAYNOW/PAYLAH [QR Code (Use your Bank App, Scan to Pay)]
UEN No.: S90CC0750JGRO
Payee Name: Orchard Rd Presbyterian Church – Giro Offering

(2) CHEQUE or CASHIER'S ORDER
Payee Name: Orchard Road Presbyterian Church
Mailing Address: 3 Orchard Road Singapore 238825

(3) INTERBANK TRANSFER
Beneficiary: Orchard Rd Presbyterian Church – Giro Offering
Bank: UOB Bank Account No: 450-312-122-5

OUR OFFERING

OFFERING	TARGET 01.01.26 - 31.12.26	TARGET TO 22.11.2026	RECEIVED TO 22.11.2026	YTD SURPLUS/ (SHORTFALL)
GENERAL	$1,800,000.00	$1,626,923.08	$1,368,908.08	($258,015.00)
MISSIONS	$250,000.00	$225,961.54	$212,911.32	($13,050.22)
TOTAL	$2,050,000.00	$1,852,884.62	$1,581,819.40	($271,065.22)

A&A FUNDRAISING

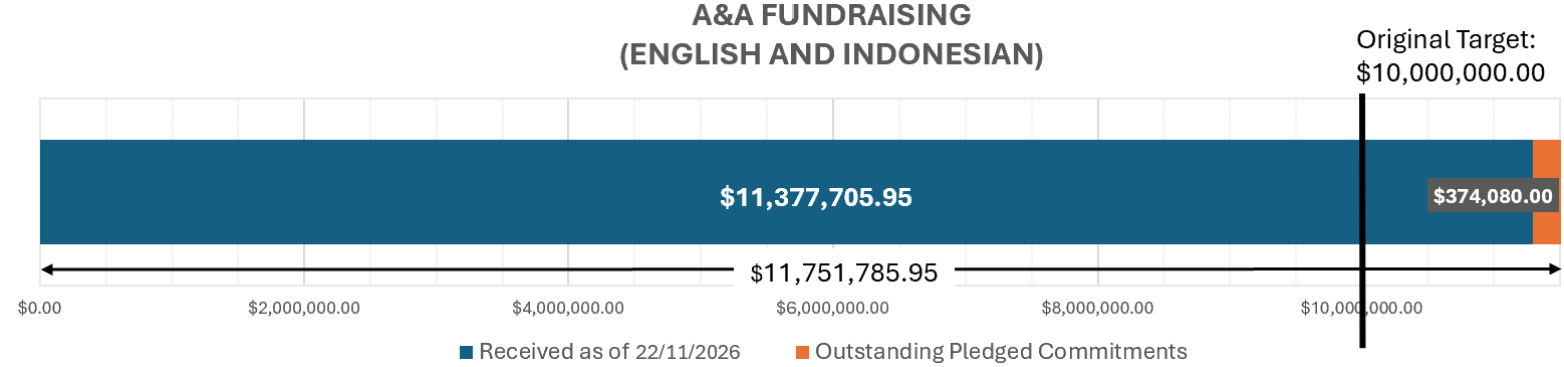
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The Pledge Form may be accessed here https://bit.ly/ORPCpledge
Completed Pledge Forms should be sent to aafundraising@orpc.org.sg

(1) PAYNOW/PAYLAH [QR Code (Use your Bank App, Scan to Pay)]
UEN No.: S90CC0750JAA1
Payee Name: Orchard Road Presbyterian Church - A&A Project

(2) CHEQUE or CASHIER'S ORDER
Payee Name: Orchard Road Presbyterian Church - A&A Project
Mailing Address: 3 Orchard Road, Singapore 238825

(3) INTERBANK TRANSFER
Account Name: Orchard Road Presbyterian Church - A&A Project
Bank: UOB Bank Account No.: 773-347-101-1





Created in the Image of God

HUMAN DIGNITY AND RENEWAL

EXPLORE WHAT IT MEANS TO BEAR GOD'S IMAGE, AND WHY IT SHAPES HOW WE THINK ABOUT **MORALITY**, **END-OF-LIFE DECISIONS**, AND THE **WORTH OF EVERY PERSON**.

The focus of this lesson is on Genesis 2:5-9, where God's word says humans are created in the image of God. Why is this a major connective theme throughout the Bible? What does it mean to be in the image of God and likeness of God? To be created in the image of God means every human being possesses intrinsic, equal, unshakeable dignity and value.

In this lesson, we will first consider the meaning of the image of God. Secondly, we will explore why this subject is so important for questions such as morality, end-of-life ethics, and treating all people with dignity and equal worth. Finally, we will discuss how God renews and restores His image in believers, conforming them to the likeness of Christ, who is the true image of God.

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. - 2 Corinthians 9:7

PLEDGE FORM

for the ORPC Building Alterations and Additions (A&A) Project Fund, launched in May 2024

ORPC A&A PROJECT

BUILDING A DISCIPLE-MAKING CHURCH,
A LEGACY OF FAITH FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

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What is a pledge?

A pledge is a confidential, written promise to give money (whether a one-off sum or installments over a period of time) to the A&A project fund in the future. It is a commitment made in faith in accordance with the resources that God has given us. A pledge is not a legally binding contract, and can be reviewed and changed as circumstances evolve.

Why pledge?

Your pledge enables the A&A committee to plan its finances for the A&A project fund effectively, and to determine the financial commitment we are able to undertake for the entire rebuilding works ahead of time. We hope that through pledging, congregation members will build a culture of giving to the project based on our pre-committed goals.

I/We pledge our support for the A&A Project Fund of Orchard Road Presbyterian Church (ORPC)

Name: _____

Telephone: _____

Email Address: _____

Congregation: _____

Member of Congregation: Yes☐ No☐

I/We pledge to give the Church's A&A Project Fund a one-off giving or by regular giving over a period of time or a combination of the two.

Pledge for one-off giving: Amount: $_____

On the date: _____

Pledge for regular giving: Amount: $_____ monthly/quarterly/half-yearly (circle one)

Starting the _____ (day) of _____ (month) _____ (year) for _____ months (maximum of 24 months from the commencement date of the fund-raising efforts in Aug 2024)

The A&A Fund Raising Committee will be approaching individuals or groups who are donating SGD$100,000 and above to discuss your contribution.

Please send in your pledge early so we can plan our finances more effectively. Thank you.

You will find below a QR code for donations to the AA Project, **please input your unique pledge ref no (which will be given in the pledge acknowledgement letter) in the reference field when you make your transfer,** in order to facilitate a seamless process for our finance operations staff.



Personal Data Protection –
By signing on this Form,

1. I consent to the collection, use and disclosure of my personal data by ORPC for purposes of my participation in pledging of funds towards the Church Building Re-development Project. I acknowledge that my personal data may be disclosed to third parties engaged in the organization and hosting of this A&A Project.
2. ORPC will limit the personal data disclosed to the third parties to that which is necessary and will remind the third parties not to process, use, disclose and retain your personal data beyond the purpose for which it is required by the third party.

For Non-Members:
I/We confirm that this Pledge and Donation is our free-will offering and not solicited by Orchard Road Presbyterian Church (ORPC)

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Thank you for your commitment to contributing to the A&A Project Fund.
Let's build the Lord's house, our legacy of faith together

Notes:

- This Form can be placed in the Sunday offering box; scanned and emailed to aafundraising@orpc.org.sg; or handed/mailed it to the Church at "Orchard Road Presbyterian Church, No. 3 Orchard Road, Singapore 238825 for the Attention of the Fund Raising Committee"
- This Pledge Form is for use only by members and regular worshippers at Orchard Road Presbyterian Church
- If you need any help completing this Form, please contact any of the Church Leaders

HISTORY

The Orchard Road Presbyterian Church (ORPC) was founded in 1856 to minister to the needs of the Scots community in Singapore. The first church building on the present site was completed in 1878, and has been extended several times. In 1975, the sanctuary was extended, and in 1985, the new extension of Dunman Hall was completed and a new chapel was built. Alongside the growth of the physical facilities has been the development of the church from an English-speaking expatriate congregation to a local church embracing four different language congregations. In 1995 we planted a branch church (Bukit Batok Presbyterian Church) which became independent in 2013. Similarly, our Mandarin congregation (Providence Presbyterian Church) became independent in 2005. ORPC consists of the English Congregation and the Indonesian Congregation, and worshipping with us now in the same building is Providence Presbyterian Church. From Oct 2025 to Nov 2027 (projected), ORPC is worshipping at Suntec City Convention Centre while renovation works are ongoing.

FAITH AND MEMBERSHIP

As a church with roots in historic Presbyterianism growing out of the Westminster Confession of Faith, we affirm the Lordship of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. We look to the Scriptures as the inspired Word of God and the one authoritative and infallible standard for our faith and practice. We welcome those who profess Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Saviour into our formal membership. Our membership is truly international, representing the breadth of God's call upon people from all ethnic and economic backgrounds. Members are received upon initial profession of faith in Jesus Christ by baptism, confirmation, and in transfer from other Christian churches. Classes for baptism, confirmation, and for transfer of membership are held periodically and announced in the bulletin.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the grave. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.