

Mar Thoma Syrian Church of Malabar  
Department of Sacred Music & Communications  
**Sacred Music Sunday – May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
Worship Order (Approved by the Metropolitan)

**Call to Worship:** *“ Praise the Lord, for it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting” (Psalm 147:1)*

**Opening Hymn: ‘All people that on earth do dwell’**

**Kauma**

**Adoration**

We magnify you Heavenly Father, the creator, sustainer and protector of heaven and Earth, for your unconditional love and wonderful purposes and decisions in our life. We humble before you O Lord, for your greatness, as you imparted the divine faith in mankind and thus lead us into abundance of life. Music is divine and in you alone the divinity of music flows. Father in your great mercy you gifted nature with melodious voice, music, rhythm and melody. You alone are worthy of all Glory and Honor. To redeem nature from the lost rhythm, Lord Jesus you fulfilled the will of the Father and humbled yourself to the cross. We praise you Jesus for the rhythmic melody and music in your redeeming love. Nothing do we have to offer except the words of humility and surrender. Shower unto us your great mercy. We acknowledge the presence and work of the divine holy spirit in midst of us. We praise you for the gift of unity and reconciliation and thus transcending unto us a new music and melody in our daily chores. We believe and give you all glory and praise. Amen.

**Prayer of confession**

For each prayer response shall be *“Lord, Do not count our sins against us...”*

1. Lord, we have misused various opportunities and talents that you have given unto us.....
2. Lord, we did not realize and use the opportunities to glorify and praise you. We failed to stand as a witness for you.....
3. Lord, we desired and did many things in our life with zeal for our own name, fame and performances.....
4. Lord, even though we received great responsibility to serve church, because of our irresponsible attitude, pride and ignorance we failed to show right response and responsibility.....

Let us sing: ***'Change my heart O God, Make it ever true  
Change my heart O God, May I be like you'***

### **Thanksgiving**

1. Our Lord Our God we place our trust in you. We give you thanks for the uncountable blessings showered upon us.

*Response: Lord you are always worthy to receive praise. Blessed be your holy name.*

2. Our heavenly father, you alone are the completeness of love and mercy. We thankfully remember and say whatever we have is received by your grace.

*Res: Lord, help us to always offer unto you the sacrifice of thanks*

3. Lord, you have given unto us melodious voice, tune and music. Bless us always with a thankful heart.

*Res: Great is the faithfulness of God towards us; great is thy mercy towards us. Praise the Lord.*

4. Lord, we thank you that you have appointed us to sing praises and worship in your holy temple.

*Res: Lord, you are good, great is your glory and wonderful are your ways.*

### **Intercessory prayer (Remain silent for a few moments after each prayer.)**

1. We pray for the Parish Choir, organizations and individuals who evangelize and witness You through the medium of music. We pray that they may use their gifted talent to evangelize the gospel and may have Christ centered vision.

2. We pray for the ministry of the DSMC, the President, the Metropolitan Thirumeni, Director, Managing Committee, office and technical staffs.

3. We pray for all the churches around the Globe, especially for the Mar Thoma Church. We pray for all our respected and beloved Thirumenis, priests, evangelists, gospel workers, sevinis, dayaras and all other spiritual leaders.

### **Prayer of Dedication**

Lord, we are unworthy to sing unto your name. Today, we pray to touch us with your burning flames of holiness to make us holy. Lord we surrender our lives to sing for you with a pure and upright heart. Lord accept our dedication. Amen.

### **Song of Dedication**

***I have decided to follow Jesus (3)***

***No turning back, no turning back. (2)***