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"Sharing the love of Jesus by glorifying God and extending His kingdom"

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WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

"A HOLY SACRIFICE" by Pepper Choplin

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also, with you.**

KYRIE

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

For your people here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your word, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, and defend us, O God. Amen.

NOW THE FEAST AND CELEBRATION

Refrain

Now the feast and celebration, all of creation sings for joy

to the God of life and love and freedom; praise and glory forevermore!

Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has freed and united us to be one great people of God. *Refrain*

Power and riches, wisdom and might, all honor and glory to Christ forever. *Refrain*

For God has come to dwell with us, to make us people of God; to make all things new. *Refrain*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS Giada Styles

FIRST READING:

Genesis 32:22-31

PSALM: Psalm 121 (Read Responsively)

- I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come?
- ² My help comes from the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth.
- ³ The LORD will not let your foot be moved nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.
- ⁴ Behold, the keeper of Israel will neither slumber nor sleep;
- 5 the LORD watches over you; the LORD is your shade at your right hand;
- ⁶ the sun will not strike you by day,

nor the moon by night.

- ⁷ The LORD will preserve you from all evil and will keep your life.
- ⁸ The LORD will watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth forevermore.

SECOND READING:

2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:5

GOSPEL:

Luke 18:1-8

SERMON

ANTHEM

"Flowers" Samantha Ebert

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper. **Amen.**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful and loving God,
we are your stiff-necked people.
We trample on the needy.
We grumble about your grace to others.
We turn away from the poor.
Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.
Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found.

Amen.

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful.

Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.

You who were lost have been found. In the name of + Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come 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.

PRAYERS

RESPONSE: RECEIVE OUR PRAYER

PEACE

OFFERING

COMMUNION NARRATIVE

LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION SONGS

"Precious Lord Take My Hand"

Precious Lord take my hand and lead me on let me stand I am tired I am weak I am worn Through the storm through the night Lead me on to the light Take my hand precious Lord lead me home

When my way grows drear precious Lord linger near When my life is almost gone Hear my cry hear my call Hold my hand lest I fall Take my hand precious Lord lead me home

When the darkness appears and the night draws near And the day is past and gone At the river I stand guide my feet and hold my hand Take my hand precious Lord lead me home

"Blessed Assurance"

Blessed assurance Jesus is mine O what a foretaste of glory divine Heir of salvation purchase of God Born of His Spirit washed in His blood

Perfect submission perfect delight Visions of rapture now burst on my sight Angels descending bring from above Echoes of mercy whispers of love

This is my story this is my song Praising my Savior all the day long This is my story this is my song Praising my Savior all the day long

Perfect submission all is at rest I in my Savior am happy and blessed Watching and waiting looking above Filled with His goodness lost in His love

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I will testify to the love of Christ Of His life death and resurrection Till that promised day when He comes again I will rest in complete assurance

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BLESSING

SENDING SONG

"The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"

The Spirit sends us forth to serve; we go in Jesus' name to bring glad tidings to the poor, God's favor to proclaim.

We go to comfort those who mourn and set the burdened free; where hope is dim, to share a dream and help the blind to see. We go to be the hands of Christ, to scatter joy like seed and, all our days, to cherish life, to do the loving deed.

Then let us go to serve in peace, the gospel to proclaim. God's Spirit has empowered us; we go in Jesus' name.

DISMISSAL/POSTLUDE

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Preaching & Presiding Pastor Scott Lindner Assisting Minister Suzi Morgan Giada Styles Reader Praise Band Music Dir. Brian Lindner Sally Schaefer Celebration Choir Dir. Ken Hanks Keyboardist IT/Livestream Scott Giesking Worship & Music Dir. Rebecca Parker