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## **OUR WORSHIP TODAY - Celebration of Word and Music**

#### **GATHERING AND MEDITATION TIME**

Pre-Service Music, Welcome, and Announcements

#### **CONFESSIONAL PRAYER**

Pastor: We celebrate the season of Epiphany with joy, hope, love, and peace in our hearts. We realize the difficulties that we face, and the poor job we have done with our response Your Word. For that, dear Lord, we make our confession to you this day.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by the things we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

#### **ABSOLUTION**

#### Pastor:

As a result of the love of God, the work of Jesus, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, I, as a called and ordained servant of The Word, and by the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive you all your sins in the name of the, Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### ENTRANCE HYMN: 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 3:1-6

#### **Ministers of the New Covenant**

Are we beginning to commend ourselves again? Or do we need, as some do, letters of recommendation to you, or from you?

You yourselves are our letter of recommendation, written on our hearts, to be known and read by all. And you show that you are a letter from Christ delivered by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts. Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God.

Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God, who has made us sufficient to be ministers of a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit. For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

#### **ENTRANCE HYMN: 386 Be Thou My Vision**

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art. Thou my best Thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light. High King of Heaven, my victory won, May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

## THE PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison):

Lord, as we celebrate today your word through our readings and our songs of praise, help us to always be a part of your eternal worship. A time where all of Heaven and Earth and all of the Hosts of Heaven come together with us in worship to bless Your Holy Name. Alleluia and Amen.

## OLD TESTAMENT READING - Jeremiah 32:18-19 (ESV)

#### **Jeremiah Prays for Understanding**

"After I had given the deed of purchase to Baruch the son of Neriah, I prayed to the LORD, saying:

'Ah, Lord GOD! It is you who have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and by your outstretched arm! Nothing is too hard for you. You show steadfast love to thousands, but you repay the guilt of fathers to their children after them, O great and mighty God, whose name is the LORD of hosts, great in counsel

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and mighty in deed, whose eyes are open to all the ways of the children of man, rewarding each one according to his ways and according to the fruit of his deeds.

## **HYMN: 27 How Great Thou Art**

Stanza 1: Refrain:

Then sings my soul, O Lord my God. When I in awesome wonder My Saviour God, to Thee. Consider all How great Thou art! The world Thy Hand hath made. How great Thou art! I see the stars, Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy pow'r throughout How great Thou art! The universe displayed; How great Thou art!

## PSALM - Psalm 104 (ESV) (Recited whole verse by whole verse, congregation in BOLD)

Bless the LORD, O my soul! O LORD my God, you are very great! You are clothed with splendor and majesty,

## covering yourself with light as with a garment, stretching out the heavens like a tent.

He lays the beams of his chambers on the waters; he makes the clouds his chariot; he rides on the wings of the wind:

## he makes his messengers winds, his ministers a flaming fire.

He set the earth on its foundations, so that it should never be moved.

## You covered it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains.

At your rebuke they fled; at the sound of your thunder they took to flight.

## The mountains rose, the valleys sank down to the place that you appointed for them.

You set a boundary that they may not pass, so that they might not again cover the earth.

## You make springs gush forth in the valleys; they flow between the hills;

they give drink to every beast of the field; the wild donkeys quench their thirst.

From your lofty abode you water the mountains; the earth is satisfied with the fruit of your work.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

## PSALM HYMN: 35 - Oh Bless the Lord My Soul

O bless the Lord, my soul! Then bless His holy name,

His mercies bear in mind! Whose grace hath made thee whole, Forget not all His benefits! Whose lovingkindness crowns thy days!

The Lord to thee is kind.

O bless the Lord, my soul!

## 1<sup>st</sup> EPISTLE LESSON: Hebrews 5:7-10 (ESV)

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence.

Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

## **HYMN: 504 Trust and Obey**

When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word, Refrain

What a glory He sheds on our way! Trust and obey, for there's no other way
While we do His good will, He abides with us still,
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey

And with all who will trust and obey.

#### 2ND EPISTLE READING - Romans 3:24 (ESV)

## The Righteousness of God Through Faith

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe.

For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,

## HYMN: 280 Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed! Page 3

#### **READING FROM JOHN 15**

These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.

You are my friends if you do what I command you.

No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you.

You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you.

#### HYMN: 460 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

What a Friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer! O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer.

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 1:14-20 (ESV)

Please remain sitting until we finish singing, 'I love to Tell the Story'

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke in the Book of Acts of the Apostles the 8th Chapter.

## Glory to you Oh Lord.

#### **HYMN: 522 I love to Tell the Story**

I love to tell the story of unseen things above, Of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love. I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true; It satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

#### Refrain

I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory, To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

I love to tell the story, for those who know it best Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest. And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song, 'Twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long.

## Please rise for the Gospel Reading

Now those who were scattered went about preaching the word.

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Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed to them the Christ. And the crowds with one accord paid attention to what was being said by Philip, when they heard him and saw the signs that he did.

For unclean spirits, crying out with a loud voice, came out of many who had them, and many who were paralyzed or lame were healed.

So there was much joy in that city.

This is the Gospel of our Lord

## Praise to you Oh Christ.

SERMON "Music and the Word" Pastor Steve Dygert

A final reading of the Gospel of our Lord from Luke 22:39-41

## Jesus Prays on the Mount of Olives

And he came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives, and the disciples followed him.

And when he came to the place, he said to them, "Pray that you may not enter into temptation." And he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, and knelt down and prayed,

#### SERMON HYMN: 456 - In the Garden

I come to the garden alone And He walks with me
While the dew is still on the roses And He talks with me

And the voice I hear, falling on my ear

And He tells me I am His own

The Son of God discloses And the joy we share as we tarry there

None other has ever known.

#### THE OFFERING:

After the consecration of the Offering, we will sing the 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.

#### **RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

Would our friends who wish to join our fellowship please join me at the altar of Jesus.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:

PRAYERS OF PRAISE, Let us Pray: (Prayer Response) Lord in your Mercy: Hear our prayer.

# THE LORD'S PRAYER; WORDS OF INSTITUTION; PREPARATION OF THE TABLE; THE DISTRIBUTION; THE COMMUNION DISMISSAL BLESSING

#### **AARONIC BLESSING**

**SENDING READING AND HYMN: Pastor Steve** 

Mark 16:6

#### The Resurrection

When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him.

And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large.

And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him.

But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

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## Author: Latin 14th Century

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia! who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! our salvation have procured, Alleluia! now above the sky he's King, Alleluia! where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as his love; Alleluia! Praise him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

#### **Final Announcements**

## **HYMN: 167 The Old Rugged Cross**

On a hill far away, stood an old rugged Cross The emblem of suff'ring and shame And I love that old Cross where the dearest and best For a world of lost sinners was slain. In the old rugged Cross, stain'd with blood so divine A wondrous beauty I see
For the dear Lamb of God, left his Glory above
To pardon and sanctify me.

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## Refrain

So I'll cherish the old rugged Cross
Till my trophies at last I lay down
I will cling to the old rugged Cross
And exchange it some day for a crown.

#### THE BENEDICTION & THE DISMISSAL

P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

C. Thanks be to God

#### WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN! Thank you for joining us as we worship

our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! We are happy you are here! As a kindness to one another, *please* place your cell phones on mute for the time we are together in worship. If you are a visitor, let us know you are here!

**WE WELCOME ALL OF OUR VISITORS!:** We are so happy you chose to visit us today. If you are looking for a church home, feel free to call Pastor Steve and let us introduce ourselves to you. God Bless you and welcome to His church!

**IN OUR PRAYERS:** Please use a prayer request card if you have a specific prayer request this morning. It is our joy and our privilege to share in these petitions to Almighty God. If you have them ready before the service, hand them to Pastor when you have them completed, otherwise give them to the ushers at the time the offering is collected.

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**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE:** The imposition of ashes will be held on Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 AM following Bible Study. Pastor Steve will be preaching on *The Mountains of Lent* for our Lenten Services on Wednesdays at 11:15 AM.

## We Serve Today, February 4th:

Reader: Nancy Nordell Offering: Bob Wilgus, Frank Pierce

Communion: Bev Cisco, Bubbles Buress, Peggie Sue Dygert Greeter: Jeanne Keyser

We Serve Next Sunday, February 11th:

Reader: Bev Cisco Offering: Bob Wilgus, Frank Pierce

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