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PRELUDE

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WELCOME





Almighty God, unto whom all hearts and minds are open and from whom nothing is hidden, we are gathered to worship you and learn better how to serve you. Speak, Lord, showing us your will for our lives. In Jesus' mighty name, we pray.

OPENING PRAYER





Announcements

02 Morning Devotions

Daily, 6:00 am – 6:15 am, -
15-minute devotions, via
ZOOM.

16 Luncheon

Thursday, October 20, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm,
plan on attending the first monthly UPC
pastors luncheon.

05 Midweek Service

Thursdays, 7:00 pm, via YouTube.

12 Helping Homeless Families (HHF)

Mondays & Tuesdays, drop off new
washcloths and bath towels at the church.





RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather to worship together.

We are different people, different lives, and different histories, yet we are all children of the same Creator, and we are each created lovingly by the Source of all life!

We gather with different joys and sorrows, different hopes and fears,
different people, different lives, and different histories, yet we are one people with one God, one faith, and one baptism.

Lord, let Your Holy Spirit work in us, among us, and through us.

To the one and only triune God be glory forever! Amen.





OPENING
HYMN
(GTG) # 833

O Love that Wilt Not Let Me Go



RESPONSIVE READING PSALM 113



Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD; praise the name of the LORD.

Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time on and forevermore.

From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the LORD is to be praised.

The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory is above the heavens.




Who is like the LORD our God, who is seated on high,

who looks far down on the heavens and the earth?

He raises the poor from the dust, and lifts the needy from the ash heap,

to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people.




He gives the barren woman a home, making her the joyous mother of children. Praise the LORD!





AFFIRMATION OF FAITH THE APOSTLES' CREED (TRADITIONAL)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.





RESPONSIVE READING LUKE 14: 7-11

When Jesus noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, He told them a parable:



“When you are invited to a wedding banquet, do not sit in the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited.

Then the host who invited both of you will come and tell you, ‘Give this man your seat.’ And in humiliation, you will have to take the last place.

But when you are invited, go and sit in the last place, so that your host will come and tell you, ‘Friend, move up to a better place.

Then you will be honored in front of everyone at the table with you.

For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”





Please join me in the prayer of confession based on Psalm 51.

CALL TO CONFESSION





Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your loving devotion; according to Your great compassion, blot out my transgressions. Wash me clean of my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Surely You desire truth in the inmost being; You teach me wisdom in the inmost place. Purify me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. In Jesus' mighty name, I pray. Amen.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION





The God of all grace, who calls us to eternal glory in Jesus Christ, will restore, support, and strengthen us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

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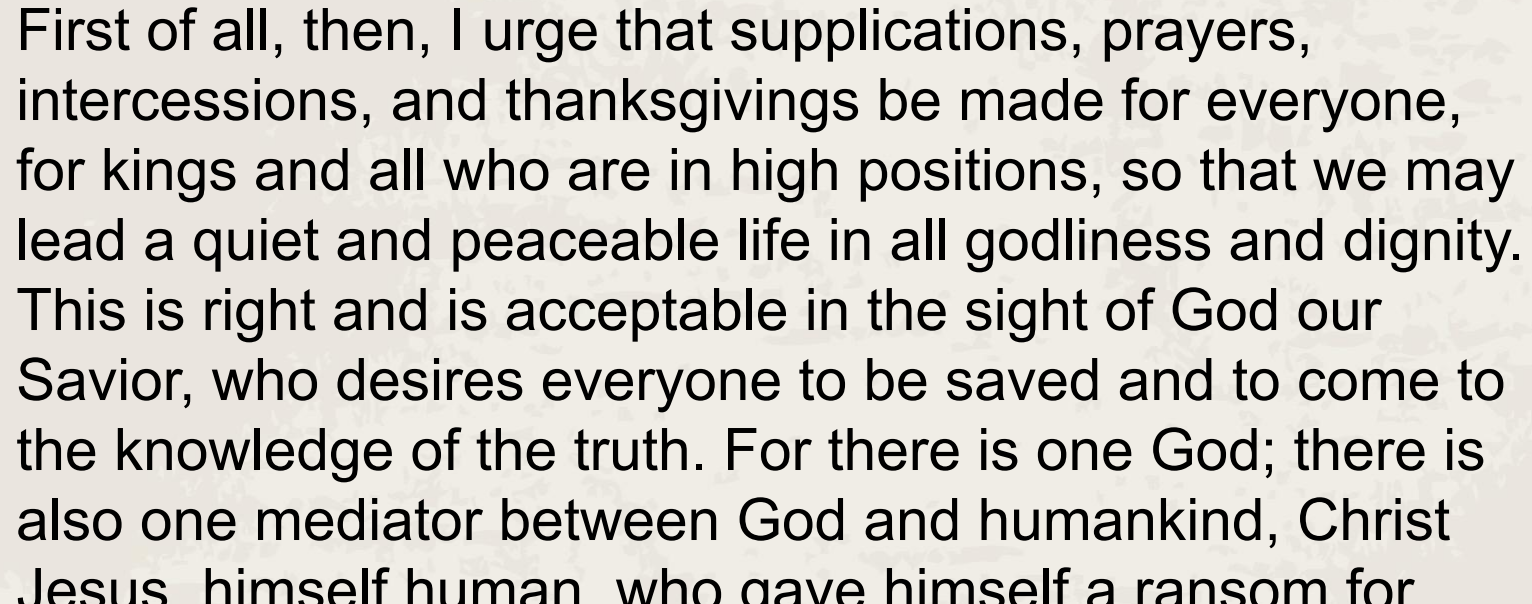
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THE
PEACE





PRAYER FOR
ILLUMINATION



A READING FROM 1 TIMOTHY 2: 1-6



First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all--this was attested at the right time.





MORNING
MEDITATION



CALL TO
DISCIPLESHIP



PRAYERS OF
THE PEOPLE



Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. Lead us away from temptation and deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER





CLOSING HYMN (GTG) # 792

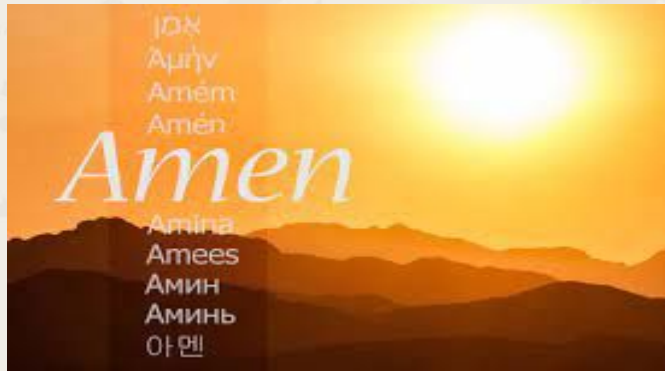
There is a Balm in Gilead



May God be gracious to us and make his face shine upon us,
that his ways may be known on the earth, his saving power
among all the nations.

BENEDICTION





CONG. RESPONSE (GTG) # 599



POSTLUDE

God of the Ages