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PRELUDE Pete Sanchez, Jr.- What A Mighty God We Serve (Instrumental)
 (Hosanna! Music)¹

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



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¹ Listen ad-free with YouTube Premium Song What A Mighty God (Trax) Artist Pete Sanchez Album I Exalt Thee Licensed to YouTube by [Merlin] Absolute Label Services (on behalf of Integrity Music)

UNISON CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 19)

The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge. There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard; yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy. Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hid from its heat. The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the LORD are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb. Moreover by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward. But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults. Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

OPENING HYMN Royal Choral Society: 'Hallelujah Chorus' from Handel's Messiah²

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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Almighty God, unto whom all hearts and minds are open, and to whom nothing is unknown, we acknowledge you as Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. Thank you for waking us up this morning with our minds upon you and with a desire to worship you in spirit and truth. Maker, you are gracious, kind, and long-suffering. Your grace sustains and encourages us. Thank you, Lord! Forgive our sins and deliver us from evil. Help us do better and be better stewards over all you have entrusted to us- our bodies, mental health, the earth, our families, friendships, finances, and credit. Grant us the grace to remain aware of your constant presence, and help us conduct ourselves accordingly. In Jesus' mighty name, we pray. **Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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 sits 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 [universal] church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

John 3:16-21

"For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him.

"There is no judgment against anyone who believes in him. But anyone who does not believe in him has already been judged for not believing in God's one and only Son. And the judgment is based on this fact: God's light came into the world, but people loved the darkness more than the light, for their actions were evil. All who do evil hate the light and refuse to go near it for fear their sins will be exposed. But those who do what is right come to the light so others can see that they are doing what God wants."

HYMN OF PREPARATIONThe Potter's House³**THE SERMON****INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP****COMMUNION HYMN** Let Us Break Bread Together On Our Knees⁴**INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER****THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.**THE MINISTER**

Almighty, we praise your creating power and divine care: in making the world; establishing the covenant; giving the law, speaking truth through the prophets; showing mercy despite our sin; and above all, through the gift of Jesus Christ.

THE PEOPLE

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

ALL: Lord, we remember

THE MINISTER BLESSES THE BREAD AND WINE

In the words of the Apostle Paul as recorded in 1 Corinthians 11: 23-26, I pass on to you what I received from the Lord himself. On the night when he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread and gave thanks to God for it. Then he broke it in pieces and said, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, he took the cup of wine after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant between God and his people—an agreement confirmed with

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my blood. Do this in remembrance of me as often as you drink it." Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are announcing the Lord's death until he comes again.

The People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

RECEIVING THE ELEMENTS

This is the body of Christ that was broken for you. (eat the bread)

This is the blood of Christ, shed for you. (drink the wine)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Jesus Loves Me⁵

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Praise Him (Ab) [Worship Song] [Instrumental Track] SAMPLE⁶

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