

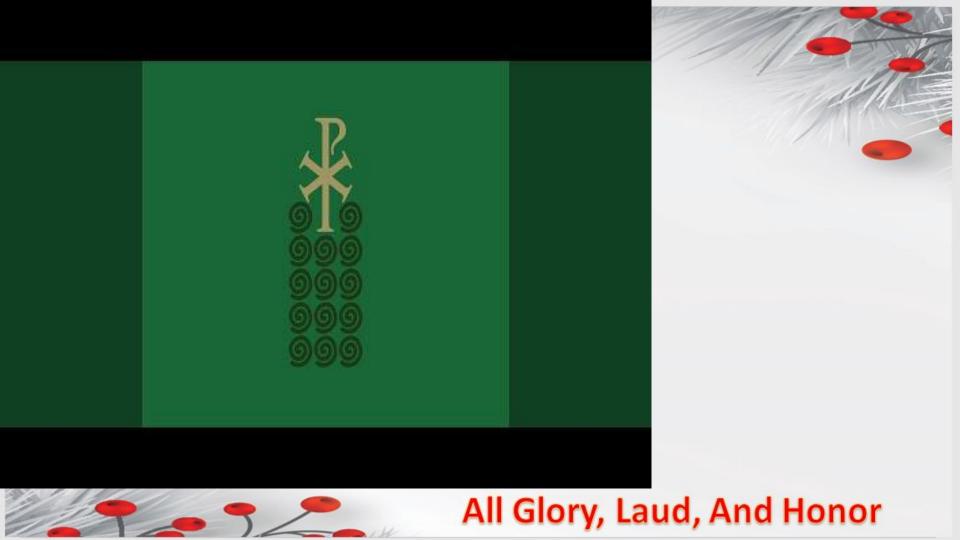
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### **OPENING PRAYER**

Hallelujah! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise Him in the highest places. Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all His heavenly hosts. Praise Him, O sun and moon; praise Him, all you shining stars. Praise Him, O highest heavens, and you waters above the skies. Let them praise the name of the LORD, for He gave the command, and they were created. He established them forever and ever; He issued a decree that will never pass away. Praise the LORD from the earth, all great sea creatures, and ocean depths, lightning, and hail, snow and clouds, powerful wind fulfilling His Word, mountains and all hills, fruit trees, and all cedars, wild animals and all cattle, crawling creatures and flying birds, kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the World, young men and maidens, old and young together. Let them praise the name of the LORD, for His name alone is exalted; His splendor is above the earth and the heavens. He has raised a horn for His people, the praise of all His saints, a people near to Him. Hallelujah!

Call to Worship

Psalm 148



In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. He existed in the beginning with God. God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him. The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it. "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

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH John 1: 1-5 and John 3: 16-17

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts and minds are open, and from whom nothing is hidden, we acknowledge you are Creator, Redeemer, and the dispenser of all things good and the One who sustains us. Lord, we recognize we have failed to keep your commands to love you with our whole self and to love others as much as you love us. We have sought to promote ourselves instead of uplifting you. We have spoken when we should have remained silent, and we have lept quiet when we should have said something. We have ignored the plight of others but diligently pursued our interests without regard to the impact on others.

> Please forgive us and help us do better. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

> > PRAYER OF CONFESSION



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#### **PASSING THE PEACE**

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness — on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son is given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

FIRST READING Isaiah 9:2-7

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, 12 training us to renounce sinfulness and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, 13 while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. 14 He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.



### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION





### MEDITATION

# INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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. THE LORD'S PRAYER



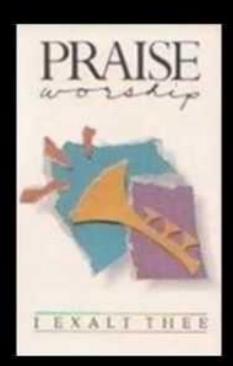


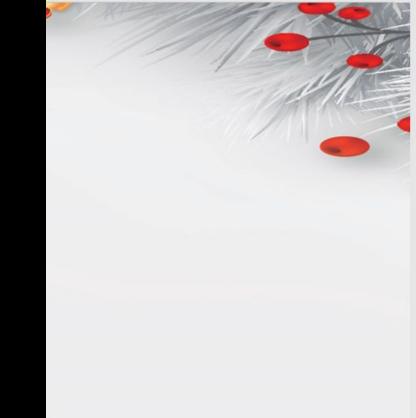
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May the miracle of the birth of Christ-triune God, who was and is to come-first and last, beginning and end, Alpha and Omega-remain in our hearts and minds forever. Amen. THE BENEDICTION





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