


# PRINCE OF PEACE CHURCH



*Because I live,  
you also will live*  
**JOHN 14.19**

## Prelude Welcome

Christ is Risen!

**He is risen indeed!**

Praise the God and father of our Lord, Jesus Christ!

**He gave us new life and hope by raising Jesus from death!**

Rejoice, then even in your distress!

**We shall be counted worthy when Christ appears!**

God has claimed us as His own!

**He has called us from darkness into his marvelous light!**

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## Gathering Hymn “Come We That Love the Lord”

*Refrain:* We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion:  
we're marching upward to Zion, the beautiful city of God.

1. Come we that love the Lord,  
and let our joys be known;  
join in a song with sweet accord,  
join in a song with sweet accord  
and thus surround the throne.  
and thus surround the throne. *Ref.*

2. Let those refuse to sing  
who never knew our God;  
but children of the heav'nly King,  
but children of the heav'nly King,  
may tell their joys abroad,  
may tell their joys abroad. *Ref.*

3. The hill of Zion yields  
a thousand sacred sweets  
before we reach the heav'nly fields,  
before we reach the heav'nly fields,  
Or walk the golden streets,  
Or walk the golden streets. *Ref.*

4. Then let our songs abound,  
and ev'ry tear be dry;  
we're marching through Immanuel's ground,  
we're marching through Immanuel's ground  
to fairer worlds on high,  
to fairer worlds on high. *Ref.*

## Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

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!**

## Hymn of Praise



**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



**B** Wor- thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo- ple of God. Pow- er and rich - es and wis- dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless- ing and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless- ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray,

Almighty and ever living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

### First Reading: Acts 17.22-31

<sup>22</sup>Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. <sup>23</sup>For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you.

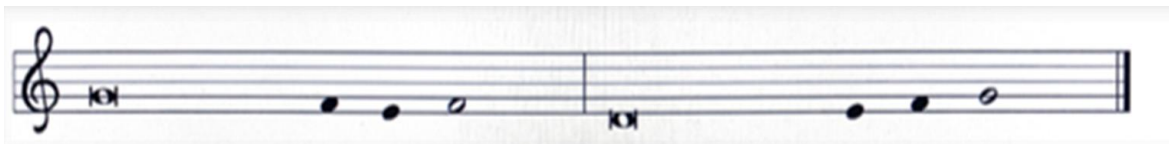
<sup>24</sup>The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, <sup>25</sup>nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. <sup>26</sup>From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, <sup>27</sup>so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. <sup>28</sup>For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we too are his offspring.’

<sup>29</sup>Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. <sup>30</sup>While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, <sup>31</sup>because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

Lector: The Word of the Lord

Congregation: **Thanks be to God**

## Psalm 66.8-20



<sup>8</sup>Bless our God, you peoples;  
let the sound of praise be heard.

**<sup>9</sup>Our God has kept us among the living  
and has not allowed our feet to slip.**

<sup>10</sup>For you, O God, have tested us;  
you have tried us just as silver is tried.

**<sup>11</sup>You brought us into the net;  
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.**

<sup>12</sup>You let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and water,  
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

**<sup>13</sup>I will enter your house with burnt offerings  
and will pay you my vows—**

<sup>14</sup>those that I promised with my lips  
and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.

**<sup>15</sup>I will offer you burnt offerings of fatlings  
with the smoke of rams;  
I will give you oxen and goats.**

<sup>16</sup>Come and listen, all you who believe,  
and I will tell you what God has done for me.

**<sup>17</sup>I called out to God with my mouth,  
and praised the Lord with my tongue.**

<sup>18</sup>If I had cherished evil in my heart,  
the Lord would not have heard me;

**<sup>19</sup>but in truth God has heard me  
and has attended to the sound of my prayer.**

<sup>20</sup>Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer,  
nor withheld unfailing love from me.

## THE SECOND READING: 1 Peter 3: 13-22

<sup>13</sup>Who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? <sup>14</sup>But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, <sup>15</sup>but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; <sup>16</sup>yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. <sup>17</sup>For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. <sup>18</sup>For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup>in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup>who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. <sup>21</sup>And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup>who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

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### Gospel Acclamation Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Halle, Halle, hallelujah. Halle, halle, hallelujah, Halle, halle, hallelujah, Hallelujah. Hallelujah. (*sing twice*)

### Gospel: John 14.15-21

*The gospel is announced.* The holy gospel according to Saint John the fourteenth chapter.

Congregation: **Glory to you O, Lord.**

<sup>15</sup>"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. <sup>17</sup>This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

<sup>18</sup>“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. <sup>19</sup>In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup>On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup>They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Children’s Sermon**

### **Sermon**

*Pastor Jeff Johnson*

*Pastor Beatrice Michals-Brown*

*Pastor Kenneth Hilston*

## **Hymn of the Day “Love Consecrates the Humblest Act”**

**1.** Love consecrates the humblest act  
and haloes mercy’s deeds;  
It sheds a benediction sweet  
and hallows human needs.

**2.** When in the shadow of the cross  
Christ knelt and washed the feet  
of his disciples, he gave us  
a sign of love complete.

**3.** Love serves and willing stoops to serve;  
what Christ in love so true  
has freely done for one and all,  
let us now gladly do!

## **Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
The only Son of God  
Eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
True God from true God,  
begotten not made,  
Of one being with the Father;  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
He came down from heaven,  
Was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
And became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
He suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
He ascended into heaven  
And is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
he will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **Prayers of Intercession**

Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.



*A brief silence.*

Abiding God, you have revealed yourself to us in the form of your Son, Jesus Christ. Embolden your church, as your followers, to reveal your love to everyone in our speaking and in our living.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You are the creator of heaven and earth. Revitalize the health of oceans, rivers, lakes, springs, glaciers, and other bodies of water that give life to your creatures.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You call all people of the world your children. Judge the nations justly, show mercy to the oppressed, and speak truth to power through your prophets.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You come near to us when we are lost, and you hear our distress. We pray for those who suffer in any way (especially).

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Your commands are good and merciful. Give us courage to take hold of our baptismal promises to work for justice, advocate for the voiceless, and free the oppressed and imprisoned in body, mind, or spirit.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You remain with us always, O God, and your kingdom has no end. We remember the saints who have gone before us. Unite us forever in your final victory over death.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

## **Peace**

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.*

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

# Announcements

## Offering

### Offertory “You Have Come down to the Lakeshore”

*Refrain* Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes; kindly smiling, you have called my name...  
On the sand I have abandoned my small boat: now with you I will seek other seas

1. You have come down to the lakeshore seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy, but only asking for me to follow. *Ref.*

3. You need my hands, my exhaustion, working love for the rest of the weary a love that's willing to go on loving. *Ref.*

2. You know full well what I have, Lord: neither treasure nor weapons for conquest just these my fish nets and will for working. *Ref.*

4. You who have fished other waters; you, the longing of souls that are yearning: O loving Friend, you have come to call me *Ref.*

## Offertory Cantic



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles-sing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

## **Offering Prayer**

Let us pray, Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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 trespasses,**

**as we forgive those**

**who trespass against us;**

**and lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,**

**The power, and the glory,**

**Forever and ever. Amen.**

## **THE BLESSING**

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; And the blessing of God the Creator, God the Redeemer +, and God the Sustainer be with you all the days of your life. **Amen.**

## **The Sending Hymn “ Love Divine All Loves Excelling” Hyfrydol**

*(Verses printed on following page)*

1. Love divine all loves excelling,  
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down!  
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
All Thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all compassion,  
Pure, unbounded love thou art;  
Visit us with thy salvation,  
Enter every trembling heart.

2. Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit  
Into evr'y troubled breast;  
Let us all in thee inherit;  
Let us find thy promised rest.  
Take away the love of sinning;  
Alpha and Omega be;  
End of faith, as its beginning  
Set our hearts at liberty.

3. Come Almighty, to deliver;  
Let us all thy life receive;  
Suddenly return and never,  
Never more thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
Serve thee as thy hosts above,  
Pray and praise thee without ceasing,  
Glory in Thy perfect love.

4. Finish then thy new creation,  
Pure and spotless let us be;  
Let us see thy great salvation  
Perfectly restored in thee!  
Changed from glory into glory,  
Till in heav'n we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before thee  
Lost in wonder, love and praise!

## Dismissal

Christ is risen, just as he said.  
Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

## Postlude

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