



Call to Worship

Prelude

Liturgical Response

Leader: For God alone my soul waits in silence;

Response: from Him comes my salvation! Psalm 62:1

Lighting the Christ Candle “One Light”

*One light shining for me
Lighting the darkness
Helping me see.*

*One light leading the way
Out of the shadows
into the day.*

*One light breaking the dawn,
Born of a promise
Leading us on.*

*One light faithful and true,
Shining in glory, coming anew.
All we need is one light
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All we need is one light, just one light.*

*One light leading the way out of the shadows into the day
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Presenting the Word

Leader: In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God. John 1:1

Response: The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father’s only Son, full of grace and truth! John 1:14

✠ Song

“You Are Holy”

*You are holy, (You are holy)
You are mighty, (You are mighty)
You are worthy, (You are worthy)
Worthy of praise, (Worthy of praise)*

*I will follow, (I will follow)
I will listen, (I will listen)
I will love you, (I will love you)
All of my days, (All of my days)*

*You are Lord of lords; you are King of kings,
You are mighty God, Lord of everything.
You’re Emmanuel, you’re the great I AM;
You’re the Prince of Peace,
Who is the Lamb.*

*You’re the living God:
You’re my saving grace;
You will reign forever;
You are Ancient of Days.*

*You are Alpha, Omega, Beginning and End.
You’re my Savior, Messiah, Redeemer, and Friend.
You’re my Prince of Peace, and I will live my life for you.*

✠ Song

“I Love You, Lord”

*I love you Lord, and I lift my voice
To worship you, O my soul, rejoice.
Take joy my King, in what you hear,
May it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.*

Lead Leader: This is our hope,

Response: To know Christ and make Him known.

Greeting:

*You are somebody,
somebody on the Lord's side.
You are somebody,
somebody on the Lord's side.*

Leader: *May the peace of Christ be with you.*

Response: *And also with you.*

Welcome and Announcements

- *Welcome to visitors.*
- *Prayer Request*
- *Ordination & Installation Service next Sunday, January 15th.*
- *Per Capita and Initial Offering for 2023:*
 - *Per Capita: \$32.00*
 - *Initial Offering: \$9.00*

Confession:

Leader: *God is Good!*

Response: *All the time!*

Leader: *All the time!*

Response: *God is good to me!*

✠ Song #376 (BH) All Loves Excelling

“Love Divine,

*Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, all Thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, Thou, are all compassion, pure, unbounded love Thou art.
Visit us with Thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.*

*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.*

*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 heaven we take our place,*

Till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Confession of Sin

Invitation to Silent Confession: *God does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His steadfast love toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far He removes our transgressions from us. Let us go before the Lord and silently confess our sin!*

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Leader: *Believe the good news; we are God's healed and forgiven people!*

✠ Response to Pardon “Doxology”

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures high and low
Alleluia, alleluia.*

*Praise God in Jesus fully known.
Creator, Word and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us;
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory, forever!
Amen!*

Consecration of Gifts:

The Bread and the Cup Offering

Worship Asst: *For God so loved the world he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish, but have everlasting life!*

Now, as Christ humbled himself and gave Himself on the cross on our behalf, let us consecrate our tithes and offerings to Him!

Even more than this: Let us “present our bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is our spiritual worship!

**✠ Song #114 (LYH)
with a Grateful Heart”**

“Give Thanks

*Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy one,
Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ, His Son.*

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*And now, let the weak say, “I am strong;”
Let the poor say, “I am rich” because of what the Lord has done for us.*

*And now, let the weak say, “I am strong;”
Let the poor say, “I am rich” because of what the Lord has done for us.*

Give thanks, give thanks, give thanks!

Prayer of Dedication

Story Time

“Redeeming Waters”

Matthew 3

**Choir
“Come to the Light“**

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 3:13-17

Hear the Word of the Lord!

13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him.

14 John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?”

15 But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented.

16 And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him.

17 And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

Leader: The Word of the Lord!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

**Sermon
Baptism of the Lord”**

“The

**✠ Song #316 (BH)
Me, Breath of God”**

“Breathe on

*Breathe on me, breath of God,
Fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love,
And do what thou wouldst do.*

*Breathe on me, breath of God.
Until my heart is pure, until with thee I will one will,
To do and to endure.*

*Breathe on me breath of God, till I am wholly thine,
Until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.*

The Lord’s Supper

Liturgical Response

Leader: Thanks be to God Who gives us the victory through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Response: O give thanks to the Lord for He is good; God’s steadfast love endures forever!

✠ Benediction

**✠ Song #432 (BH)
Song of Hope”**

*May the God of hope go with us every day,
Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,*

Bringing light and hope to every land and race.

Praying, let us work for peace,

Singing, share our joy with all,

Working for a world that's new.

Faithful, as we hear Christ's call.

Postlude