



Call to Worship

Prelude

Liturgical Response

Leader: *The Lord is in His holy Temple,*

Response: *Let all the earth keep silent before Him.
Habakkuk 2:20.*

Lighting the Christ Candle “As the Deer”

*As the deer pants for the water,
So my soul longs after you.
You alone are my heart’s desire,
And I long to worship you.*

*You alone are my strength, my shield;
To you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart’s desire,
And I long to worship you.*

*I want you more than gold or silver,
Only you can satisfy,
You alone are the real joy giver,
And the apple of my eye.*

*You alone are my strength, my shield;
To you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart’s desire,
And I long to worship you.*

Presenting the Word

Leader: *How sweet are your words to my taste, O Lord,
sweeter than the taste of honey.*

Response: *Your Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light
unto my path! Psalm 119: 105*

✠ Song #3 (LYH) “City of God”

*Awake from your slumber! Arise from your sleep!
A new day is dawning for all those who weep.
The people of darkness have seen a great Light.
The Lord of our longing has conquered the night.*

*Let us build a city of God. May our tears be turned into dancing!
For the Lord, our light and our love, has turned the night into day!*

*We are sons of the morning; we are daughters of day.
The one who has loved us has brightened our way.
The Lord of all kindness has called us to be
A light for his people to set their hearts free.*

*Let us build a city of God. May our tears be turned into dancing!
For the Lord, our light and our love, has turned the night into day!*

*O comfort my people; make gentle your words.
Proclaim to my city the day of her birth,
O city of gladness, now lift up your voice.
Proclaim the good tidings that all may rejoice.*

*Let us build a city of God. May our tears be turned into dancing!
For the Lord, our light and our love, has turned the night into day!*

✠ Song #3 (LYH) “Come and Fill”

*Come and fill our hearts with your peace.
You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace.
Alleluia!*

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.**
- **One Great Hour of Sharing**
- **Lenten Bible Study:** *Wednesday, March 29th at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom*
- **Easter Week Services:**
 - *Palm Sunday: Sunday April 2*
 - *Maundy Thursday: Thursday, April 6 @ 7:00 p.m. We are encouraging everyone to attend the service.*
 - *Easter Sunday, Sunday April 9.*
- **Prayer Request**

Confession:

Leader: *God is Good!*

Response: *All the time!*

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Response: *God is good to me!*

✠ Song #225 (RH)

“Standing on the Promises”

*Standing on the promises of Christ my King,
Through eternal ages let His praises ring,
Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,
Standing on the promises of God.*

*Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord,
Bound to Him eternally by love's strong cord,
Overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword,
Standing on the promises of God.*

*Standing on the promises I shall not fall,
List'ning every moment to the Spirit's call.
Resting in my Savior as my All in all,
Standing on the promises of God.*

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. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!*

Response: *Create in me a pure heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Amen. Psalm 51:10*

✠ Response to Pardon #593 (BH)

“Doxology”

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen, amen.
Amen, amen.
Amen, amen, amen.*

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 #118 (LYH)
“We Are an Offering”**

*We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
We lift our lives up to you, we are an offering.
Lord, use our voices, Lord use our hands,
Lord use our lives, they are yours,
We are an offering.*

*All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be
We give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
We lift our lives up to you, we are an offering.*

Prayer of Dedication

Story Time **“Life Comes to Valleys of Death”**
Ezekiel 37:1-14

✠ Song
Call Upon the Lord“

*I will call upon the Lord,
Who is worthy to be praised.
So shall I be saved from mine enemies.*

*The Lord liveth and blessed be the Rock,
And the God of my salvation be exalted.
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And the God of my salvation be exalted.*

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Scripture Lesson

Ezekiel 37:1-14, Romans 8:6-11

Hear the Word of the Lord!

- 1 The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones.
- 2 He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry.
- 3 He said to me, “Mortal, can these bones live?” I answered, “O Lord God, you know.”
- 4 Then he said to me, “Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord.
- 5 Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live.
- 6 I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.”
- 7 So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone.
- 8 I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them.
- 9 Then he said to me, “Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.”
- 10 I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

11 Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’

12 Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel.

13 And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people.

14 I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act,” says the Lord.

6 To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.

7 For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God’s law—indeed it cannot,

8 and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

9 But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.

10 But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

11 If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Leader: The Word of the Lord!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Sermon **These Bones Live?”**

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✠ 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