

Call to Worship

Prelude

Liturgical Response

**Leader:** Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed!

Response: Let all the earth keep silent before Him!

Lighting the Christ Candle #106 (BH) "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"

Alleluia, Alleluia Give thanks to the risen Lord Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name

Jesus is Lord of all the earth He is the King of creation

Alleluia, Alleluia Give thanks to the risen Lord Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name Spread the good news o'er all the earth Jesus has died and has risen Alleluia, Alleluia

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### Presenting the Word

Leader: Salvation belongs to our God and His Christ who was crucified and now is Risen!

Response: Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!

### ☆ Song #51 (LYH) Name of the Lord"

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Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be the name of the Lord, most high.

(Repeat)

**Ref**. The name of the Lord is a strong tower, The righteous run into it, And they are saved.

(Repeat)

Glory to the name of the Lord, Glory to the name of the Lord. Glory to the name of the Lord, most high. (Repeat)

**Ref.** The name of the Lord is a strong tower, The righteous run into it, And they are saved.

(Repeat)

Holy is the name of the Lord, Holy is the name of the Lord, Holy is the name of the Lord, most high. (Repeat)

## You're Beautiful"

"O Lord,

O Lord, you're beautiful, Your face is all I seek. For when your eyes are on this child, Your grace abounds in me. (repeat)

**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.
- Breakfast in Fellowship Hall next Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m.
- Congregational Conversation on Worship: the results of the Congregational Worship Surveys are tabulated and will be presented and discussed immediately after worship today.
- Prayer Request:
  - o Lisa Jeffries and her sister, Madonna.

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### Confession:

**Leader:** God is Good! **Response:** All the time! **Leader:** All the time!

**Response:** God is good to me!

## ௴ Song #442 (BH) Church's One Foundation"

The church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ her Lord, She is His new creation, By water and the Word; From heaven He came and sought her to be His holy bride; With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth, Her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth; One holy name she blesses, partakes on holy food, And to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

Yet she on earth has union with God the Three in One. And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won; O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, Like them, the meek and lowly, may live eternally.

### 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

## "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 in Heaven, Hallowed be Your Name.

Your Kingdom come; Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins, as we also have forgiven those who sin against us;

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil.

For Yours 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 then this: Let us "present our bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is our spiritual worship!

# ☆ Song #117 (LYH) "Take Up Your Cross"

Take up your cross and follow me, Lift up the yoke of your salvation, Put on the armor of the Word, And walk in the truth and light.

What would it profit you, to gain the world for a day? If you would have your life, first you must give it away.

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### **Prayer of Dedication**

Story Time "She's Here!" Acts 2:43-47, 4:32-35, 6:1-7

♣ Song #102 (LYH) "Gentle Shepherd,
Come and Lead Us"

Gentle shepherd, come and lead us, For we need you to help us find our way. Gentle shepherd, come and feed us, For we need your strength from day to day. There's no other we can turn to Who can help us face another day. Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us, For we need you to help us find our way.

#### Scripture Lesson

Psalm 23, 1 Peter 2:19-25, John 10:1-10

### **Hear the Word of the Lord!**

1The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

2He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;

3he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

4Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff— they comfort me.

5You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

6Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

19For it is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly.

20If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval.

21For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

22"He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth."

23When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly.

24He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

25For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

1"Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit.

2The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep.

3The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.

4When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice.

5They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers."

6Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

7So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep.

8All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them.

9I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture.

10The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord! Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Sermon "3. 1 Peter: the Abundant Life"

## ♣ Song "In Christ Alone"

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost it's grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
'Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

## 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 #134 (LYH) Travel from This Place"

"As You

As you travel from this place our love is with you. When you journey near at hand or far abroad. All the life we've shared together will continue, As you grow in the knowledge, Learn of the wisdom, And live in the spirit of our God. (repeat)

### Postlude