



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 #85 (LYH)

“Thy Word”

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

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When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me.

And nothing will I fear, as long as you are near,

Please be near me, to the end.

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Presenting the Word

Leader: Your Word, O Lord, is eternal;

Response: It stands firm in the heavens forever! Psalm 119:89

✠ 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.

“I Will

The Lord liveth and blessed be the Rock,

And the God of my salvation be exalted.

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✠ Song #22 (LYH) Lord God Almighty”

“Blessed Be the

Father in heaven, how we love you,

We lift your name in all the earth.

May your kingdom be established in our praises,

As your people declare your mighty works.

Blessed be the Lord God Almighty,

Who was, and is, and is to come,

Blessed be the Lord God Almighty,

Who reigns forevermore!

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As your people declare your mighty works.

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Who reigns forevermore!

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Who was, and is, and is to come,

Blessed be the Lord God Almighty,

*Who reigns forevermore!
Who reigns forevermore!*

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**

Confession:

Leader: *God is Good!*

Response: *All the time!*

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Response: *God is good to me!*

✠ Song #420 (BH)

Grace and God of Glory”

*God of grace and God of glory,
On Thy people pour Thy power,
Crown Thine ancient church's story,
Bring its bud to glorious flower.*

*Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.*

*Cure Thy children's warring madness,
Bend our pride to Thy control,
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
Rick in things and poor in soul.*

*Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
Lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal, lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal.*

Set our feet on lofty places,

*Gird our lives that they may be
Armored with all Christ-like graces,
Pledged to set all captives free.*

*Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
That we fail not them nor Thee!,
That we fail not them nor Thee!*

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 Christ, all people here below.
Praise Holy Spirit evermore.
Praise Triune God, whom we adore.*

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 in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.**

“God of

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours
now and 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
“God, We Honor You”**

God, we honor you.

God, we trust in you.

God, we worship and adore you.

Take what we bring offered to you.

Teach us to show your abundant blessings.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, amen. (repeat)

Prayer of Dedication

Story Time

Genesis 12:1-3

**✠ Song #343 (BH)
in Christ’s Service”**

Called as partners in Christ’s service,
Called to ministries of grace.

We respond with deep commitment

Fresh new lines of faith to trace.

May we learn the art of sharing,

Side by side and friend with friend.

“Travel Light!”

“Called as Partners

**Equal partners in our caring
To fulfill God’s chosen end.**

**Christ’s example, Christ’s inspiring,
Christ’s clear call to work and worth.**

Let us follow, never faltering,

Reconciling folk on earth.

Men and women, richer, poorer,

All God’s people, young and old.

Blending human skills together

Gracious gifts from God unfold.

So God grant us for tomorrow

Ways to order human life

That surround each person’s sorrow

With a calm that conquers strife.

Make us partners in our living,

Our compassion to increase,

Messengers of faith,

Thus giving Hope and confidence and peace.

Scripture Lesson

Genesis 12:1-4, Romans 4:18-22, Matthew 9:9-13

Hear the Word of the Lord!

Genesis 12:1-4

1 Now the Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you.

2 I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.

3 I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

4 So Abram went, as the Lord had told him....

Romans 4:18-22

18 Hoping against hope, [Abraham] believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.”

19 He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb.

20 No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God,

21 being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.

22 Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.”

Matthew 9:9-13

9 As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he got up and followed him.

10 And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples.

11 When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?”

12 But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick.

13 Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Sermon
Faith”

“1. Romans: the Call and

✠ Song #373 (RH)
to Jesus I Surrender”

“All

*All to Jesus I surrender, All to Him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust Him, In His presence daily live.
I surrender all, I surrender all, All to Jesus I surrender, I
surrender all.*

*All to Jesus I surrender, Humbly at His feet I bow,
Worldly pleasures all forsaken, Take me, Jesus, take me now.
I surrender all, I surrender all, All to Jesus I surrender, I
surrender all.*

*All to Jesus I surrender, Lord, I give myself to Thee;
Fill me with Thy love and power, Let Thy blessing fall on me.
I surrender all, I surrender all, All to Jesus I surrender, I
surrender all.*

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 #514 (BH)
and Tongues Employ”

“Let Us Talents

*Let us talents and tongues employ,
Reaching out with a shout of joy:
Bread is broken, the wine is poured.
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.
Jesus lives again, earth can again, pass the Word around
loaves abound!*

*Jesus calls us in, sends us out
Bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
Gives us love to tell, bread to share:
God (Immanuel) everywhere!
Jesus lives again, earth can again, pass the Word around
loaves abound!*

Postlude